

**BELLA VISTA WATER DISTRICT****BOARD OF DIRECTORS****January 23, 2017**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Bella Vista Water District was called to order by the President of the Board at 5:30 p.m., at the District office.

Board Members Present:

President	-	Jim Smith
Vice-President	-	Bob Nash
Director	-	Ted Bambino
Director	-	Jeff Steppat

Board Members Absent:

Director	-	Leimone Waite
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Officers and Staff Present:

General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer	-	David Coxey
District Engineer	-	Don Groundwater
Office Manager	-	Connie Wade

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Public Comment

None. Bob Nash introduced Supervisor, Mary Rickard who was present in the audience.

- 3 Consent Calendar:
  - 3-1 Approval of Minutes of December 19, 2016 Regular Meeting
  - 3-2 Financial Reports for Month Ending December 2016
  - 3-3 Annual Re-adoption of Investment Policy

**RECOMMENDATION: Approval and Adoption of all items on the Consent Calendar.**

**M/S:** [Nash/Steppat] The Board approved and accepted the consent calendar items as presented.

**AYE:** Bambino, Nash, Smith, and Steppat **NAY:** None; **ABSENT:** Waite

Old Business:

4. **WY2016-2017 Water Supply Update**

Don explained not much has changed since last month. Projections for November and December are right on track and compliance cumulatively as of December is 47% versus our required 33%. Director Smith asked about the Wintu shutdown and pipeline inspection.

Discussion only.

**New Business:**

**5. Review of Central Valley Project Water Rates**

General Manager, David Coxey reviewed the pass through of costs. Although the code allows you to pass through the costs, it can only be 5 years under an adopted rate study, which we are working on. David reviewed the rate setting overview and linkage to projected and actual water deliveries. David reviewed the rate schedules, and the O&M deficits. David explained the Ability to Pay Relief for Irrigation. The Irrigation rate has increased from 48.58 per AF to 60.29 AF. The M&I rate has increased from 62.90 per AF to 71.25 per AF.

Discussion Only.

**6. Mid-Year Budget Adjustments**

David explained the mid-year process and Connie Wade discussed the various adjustments that are necessary including the EOMR true up, and reviewed the specific items set forth in the agenda.

**M/S:** [Nash/Bambino] The Board authorized the adoption of the Mid-Year Fiscal Year 16-17 Budget and EOMR True Up.

**AYE:** Bambino, Nash, Smith, and Steppat **NAY:** None; **ABSENT:** Waite

**7. Shasta Local Agency Formation Commission Election of Special District Representatives**

David explained this nomination is for one special district alternate member for LAFCO. Director Smith expressed his interest in the position as an alternate member.

**M/S:** [Bambino/Nash] The Board nominated Director Smith to serve as the special district alternate member on LAFCO.

**AYE:** Bambino, Nash, Smith, and Steppat **NAY:** None; **ABSENT:** Waite

**8. Adopt Resolution 17-01, In Recognition of Robert Nash**

Director Smith reviewed the Resolution in Recognition of Robert Nash's service to the District.

**M/S:** [Bambino/Steppat] The Board adopted Resolution 17-01 to confer on Mr. Nash special recognition for 25 years of continuous service on Bella Vista Water District's Board of Directors.

**AYE:** Bambino, Nash, Smith, and Steppat **NAY:** None; **ABSENT:** Waite

## **Reports and Communications**

### **9. Engineer's Report**

Don explained the projects going on including the Bethel Campus project and their proposal to provide property for a future pump station; staff is still working on Federal Water Management plan after completing the Urban Water Management Plan. Staff is still working through CEQA and NEPA for the solar project, and looking at some potential sites including the Water Treatment Plant. Don explained we will be utilizing the same methodology for the 2017 rate study and discussed how we can use the Special Assessment revenues and County Tax Pool to offset different categories. He explained we will want a robust administrative record to support the study. A discussion ensued on solar and offsite improvements, and the shifting of the peak usage time because of so much solar installation that has occurred.

### **10. Manager's Report**

David reported that operationally the District is exclusively utilizing groundwater sources to facilitate annual maintenance that includes the pipeline assessment work as well as variable frequency drive inspection and maintenance through a contract with Siemens. David explained that although there is considerable activity, it remains to be seen if the basin agencies will be able to form a single, multi-agency groundwater sustainability agency (GSA) in order to comply with the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act. It may still be necessary for the District to file as the GSA for the District's service area. A status update and progress report will be provided at our next meeting. Additional packet informational items includes the availability of Bay-Delta Conservation Plan / California WaterFix Final EIR/EIS documents that are available to the public and the Public Hearing Notice by the Shasta County Planning Commission for the Trinity Equipment Company request for a 3 ½ year extension of time for a 29-lot subdivision located in Palo Cedro south of Hwy 44 and west of Deschutes Road.

### **11. Board Members' Comments and Reports**

Director Bambino asked on the status of the warehouse building construction. Don explained the status and is awaiting foundation design. Director Smith said he sent letters as an individual to the Governor and Felicia Marcus asking them to allow the state emergency drought regulation to expire.

The Regular Board meeting was adjourned at 6:30

