

**BELLA VISTA WATER DISTRICT****BOARD OF DIRECTORS****June 26, 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

Board Members Absent:

Director - Leimone Waite

Officers and Staff Present:

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

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Public Comment

None

3 Consent Calendar:

- 3-1 Approval of Minutes of April 24, 2017, Regular Meeting
- 3-2 Financial Reports for Month Ending April 2017
- 3-3 Financial Reports for Month Ending May 2017
- 3-4 Quarterly Investment Portfolio (ending April 30, 2017)
- 3-5 Acceptance of Deeds and Easements: A Portion of APN 076-060-011 (Bethel)
- 3-6 Budget Transfer – Purchase of coagulant for Water Treatment

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

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

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

**Old Business:**

None

**New Business:**

**4. Consider of Resolution 17-06 Declaring Board Vacancy**

General Manager, David J. Coxey explained that Jeff Steppat had resigned due to a sale of his property, which resulted in a Board vacancy.

**M/S:** [Nash/Bambino] The Board authorized adoption of Resolution 17-06 Declaring a Board Vacancy.

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

**5. Consideration of Resolution of Appreciation/Service (Jeff Steppat)**

David explained that Jeff had served on the Board just shy of 10 years.

**M/S:** [Bambino/Nash] The Board authorized adoption of Resolution of Appreciation for Jeff O. Steppat (Resolution 17-07) for his leadership, efforts and years of service on the Board of Directors.

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

**6. Appoint a Director and Alternate to serve on the governing body of the Enterprise Anderson Groundwater Sustainability Agency**

David explained there would probably be 3 or 4 meetings annually with the first being in July or August and that it is important to have representation.

**M/S:** [Bambino/Nash] The Board appointed Jim Smith as the District's designated representative and Bob Nash as the Alternate to serve on the governing body of the EAGSA.

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

**7. Pipeline Assessment Report and Findings**

District Engineer, Don Groundwater reviewed the report and findings. One damaged spot was located during the assessment. Don explained the probable location and the possible cause. Staff is looking to get the damage repaired while the District is running on its wells this coming winter.

Discussion only.

**8. Adopt Budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018**

Office Manager, Connie Wade presented to the Budget along with David Coxe who presented the EOMR spreadsheet.

**M/S:** [Bambino/Nash] The Board authorized adoption of Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Budget as corrected with the revised water transfer rates.

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

**9. Adopt Resolution 17-08 Setting the Special Assessment Rate for 2017-2018**

Staff explained that this is an annual process to set the rate for the collection of the Special Assessment from the landowners.

**M/S:** [Nash/Bambino] The Board authorized Adoption of Resolution 17-08 setting the special assessment rate for 2017-2018 at 0.037 per \$100 of assessed valuation.

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

**10. Adopt Resolution 17-09 authorizing the District Secretary of Bella Vista Water District to Call and conduct a General District Election on November 7, 2017**

David explained that there are three Board positions with terms ending in 2017.

**M/S:** [Nash/Bambino] The Board authorized adoption of Resolution 17-09 to call and conduct a General Election on November 7, 2017.

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

**11. Consider Resolution 17-10 Placing In Nomination David Coxe As a Member of the Association of California Water Agencies Region 2 Board of Directors.**

David reviewed his role as a Board member of the ACWA Region Board and ACWA Board of Directors.

**M/S:** [Nash/Bambino] The Board authorized adoption of Resolution 17-10 nominating David J. Coxe for the position of Board Member and/or Vice-Chair for the ACWA Region 2 Board.

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

## **12. Shasta County CSA #6 – Jones Valley Water potential Annexation**

General Manager, David J. Coxey, presented the information regarding this request. David explained some of the circumstances regarding the County and the CSA. David explained that a cursory evaluation did not identify advantages or benefits to justify annexation.

Died for lack of motion.

## **Reports and Communications**

### **13. Engineer's Report**

#### **a. Water Production and Deliveries Update**

Don updated the Board on the water supply. This summer is forecasted to be warmer than normal and we are projecting around 9,000 AF of water deliveries this water year.

#### **b. Project Updates**

Don updated the Board on the Distribution Warehouse. Akrich Street Water Main started last week and should be done in a week or so. Olympia Way is in next year's budget. East Stillwater Creek Bank Stabilization did finally receive permitting which is good until 2022 and therefore we will be reviewing construction options. A general discussion regarding permit requirements ensued.

### **14. Manager's Report**

David reported on problems at the Water Treatment Plant and Old Oregon Trail Pump Station the prior week. Problems were likely the result of high temperatures and air conditioning unit that resulted in overheating of the PLC and required manual operation of the plant around the clock for several days. Problems were compounded by an REU transformer failure and the emergency backup generator failed to start. A review of critical systems and procedures is underway. Assistance by the City of Redding's EIT was appreciated as was a loan of PLC equipment. David reported that Steve Lowery, D-3 Lead had retired after 33+ years of service. Don will be retiring at calendar year end after 27 years of service.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Marine Fisheries Service have issued "non-jeopardy" biological opinions for California WaterFix, allowing the project to move forward.

The Bureau of Reclamation has requested re-initiation of Section 7 consultation on the coordinated long-term operation of the Central Valley Project (CVP) and State Water Project (SWP) under the Endangered Species Act on August 2, 2016, as a result of new information from multiple years of drought, low population levels of winter-run Chinook salmon and Delta Smelt, and new information expected to become available as a result of collaborative science processes.

David reported that two key reports have been released and are worth reading and sharing with key audiences, the ACWA Storage Integration Study and the Public Policy Institute of California Report titled “Building Drought Resilience in California’s Cities and Suburbs.” The study also asserts that state-mandated conservation was a “blunt instrument” that disrupted some local programs and created uncertainties about future state and local roles. The PPIC report affirms many points made by ACWA and the water community over the past 18 months. It also offers recommendations that may inform the discussion as lawmakers consider bills to strengthen drought preparedness and long-term water-use efficiency.

Lastly, David reported that he recently met with a group of customers known as the “No on 166” coalition that are adamantly opposed to the Tierra Robles Development. David reported that he explained the District does not have land planning authority and any analysis of water supply and related infrastructure impacts would need to be reviewed once the County completes their environmental review, findings and analysis and report in accordance with applicable environmental and development regulations such as the California Environmental Quality Act and Subdivision Map Acts.

### **15. Board Member’s Comments and Reports**

Director Smith reported on his attendance at the ACWA Conference.

Director Bambino discussed a letter received from Mike Shuffleburger regarding his capital improvement fees. He also wanted to thank the maintenance crews for a leak repair on his property. Lastly, Director Bambino requested that a board member compensation survey be conducted.

Convened to closed session at 7:30 PM

Reconvened to open session at 8:05 PM.

The Board President announced the action taken while in closed session.

Adjourned meeting at 7:55 PM.

