

BELLA VISTA WATER DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

November 20, 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 5:35 p.m., at the District office.

Board Members Present:

President	-	Jim Smith
Vice-President	-	Bob Nash
Director	-	Ted Bambino
Director	-	Frank Schabarum
Director	-	Leimone Waite

Board Members Absent:

Officers and Staff Present:

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

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Public Comment

None

3. Consent Calendar:

3-1 Approval of Minutes of October 23, 2017, Regular Meeting

3-2 Financial Reports for Month Ending October 2017

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

M/S: [Nash/Waite] The Board approved and accepted the consent calendar items as presented. Minutes to be corrected on closed session. No action taken directed staff to proceed.

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

Old Business:

None

New Business:

***Reorganized agenda moving Closed Session first to release attorney.

10. Adjourn to Closed Session: 5:32 PM:

Conference with David Coxey, General Manager and Connie Wade, Office Manager.

10. Reconvene to Open Session: 6:35 PM

The Board authorized David Coxey, General Manager, Connie Wade, Office Manager and John Kenny, District's attorney to continue to negotiate with IBEW Local 1245.

4. Authorize Contract for Assessment and Repair of 54-inch Raw Water Pipeline

General Manager, David Coxey presented the video presentation for the inspection and described the damage found inside the pipe and reviewed the process for fix and the contract being proposed.

M/S: [Schabarum/Bambino] The Board authorized the General Manager to execute a Contract with RTA not to exceed \$20,000.00.

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

5. Authorize Contract for Photovoltaic Solar Installation at the Water Treatment Plant

District Engineer, Wayne Ohlin explained the approval process we went through on reviewing the proposals and the funding source. Further discussion ensued regarding location of the arrays was presented and how to connect the meters with the City of Redding. Wayne reiterated that we expect this to be a turnkey proposal with no surprises.

M/S: [Schabarum/Nash] (1) The Board approved award of the contract to Halcyon Solar Construction; (2) The Board authorized the General Manager to execute a contract in the amount of \$484,970 with Halcyon Solar Construction once they have furnished the required bonds and insurance; and (3) The Board authorized the General Manager to approve change orders up to 10% of the construction cost (\$48,497).

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

6. Consider Adoption of the Rate Study Findings and Recommendations, Calendar a Public Hearing and Authorize Related Staff Actions.

District Engineer, Don Groundwater began the presentation and did an overview of the changes from the template in 2010 to the current proposal explaining about the power components. Don

further explained how each was identified. Discussion ensued regarding increases in base rates for the largest meter classes.

The Board tabled the item for a subsequent special meeting and workshop to be scheduled in the near future.

Reports and Communications

7. Engineer's Report

a. Water Production and Deliveries Update

Wayne updated the Board on the water supply, and we are showing a revised estimated total use for the water year at approximately 9,659 AF.

b. Project Updates

Wayne updated the Board on the completion of the Distribution Warehouse. Other projects reported on the 54" pipeline repair discussed earlier, the WaterSMART Grant portion of the Solar project Phase 1 which has been awarded and is now underway. Wayne informed the Board we are still working on title for the property at the other second solar site. Informed the Board we have started the Irrigation Assessment program on 3 customers to date and creating an assessment program. Staff is continuing with meter replacement and right sizing.

8. Manager's Report

David reported on staffing and noted we have had to postpone an internal promotion pending a Division of Drinking Water operator certification review. David reported that staff had completed a couple of landscape irrigation evaluations. Staff includes our Engineering/GIS Technician that is a certified landscape irrigation auditor and our two Meter Readers with considerable landscape and irrigation installation experience. David reported that operationally, the Welch Pump Station has been shut down and will remain off through the winter months. The Wintu Pumping Plant is scheduled for shut down around December 18, through January for repairs to the main conduit and other maintenance. The District will be on groundwater throughout the planned outage.

The State Water Resources Control Board has released its draft proposed regulation to implement permanent prohibitions against certain wasteful water use practices, as directed by Gov. Jerry Brown under executive orders B-37-16 and B-40-17. According to the State Water Board, the agency is conducting the rulemaking process under its "Waste and Unreasonable Use" authority as part of the Administration's framework to make conservation a "California Way of Life."

The Enterprise-Anderson Groundwater Sustainability Agency has submitted a groundwater sustainability plan grant application with the Department of Water Resources.

The ACWA Fall conference is November 28 - Dec 1st in Anaheim.

9. Board Members' Comments and Reports

Director Schabarum thanked David Coxey and Tom Zaharris for the recent tour of the Wintu Pumping Plant and Water Treatment Facilities.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:35 PM

