

BELLA VISTA WATER DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

June 25, 2018

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

Board Members Absent:

Director - Leimone Waite

Officers and Staff Present:

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

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Public Comment
3. Consent Calendar:
 - 3-1 Approval of Minutes of May 21, 2018, Regular Meeting
 - 3-2 Financial Reports for Month Ending May 2018

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

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

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

Old Business:

None

New Business:

4. Resolution No. 18-03 Authorizing Letter of Agreement for Intertie Meter Replacement and Relocation; and Superseding Emergency Water Intertie Agreement Between the District and the City of Shasta Lake

General Manager, David Coxey explained we have an existing inter-tie with the City of Shasta Lake, but along with the others, it was time to update and further described the working details of the Agreement. Director Schabarum suggested some clarification language on Item 4 of the Agreement on the relocation of the inter-tie meter.

M/S: [Smith/Schabarum] The Board authorized adoption of Resolution 18-03 authorizing the General Manager to sign a Letter of Agreement for Intertie Meter Replacement and Relocation, and an Emergency Intertie Agreement between the City of Shasta Lake and District.

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

5. Review of Long-Term Water Conservation Legislation SB 606 by Sen. Robert Hertzberg (D-Van Nuys) and AB 1668 by Assemblywoman Laura Friedman (D-Glendale)

David summarized the legislation, proposed implementation, dates and concerns. A general discussion ensued.

6. Adopt Budget for Fiscal Year 2018-2019

Office Manager, Connie M. Wade presented the General Operating Budget, debt schedule and status to date on the EOMR for 2017-2018. David presented the current projected EOMR and reviewed the projected projects.

M/S: [Bambino/Smith] The Board authorized adoption of the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Budget.

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

7. Resolution 18-04 Setting the Special Assessment Rate for 2018-2019

Connie explained the process for setting the Special Assessment.

M/S: [Bambino/Schabarum] The Board authorized adoption of Resolution 18-04 setting the special assessment amount for 2018-2019.

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

8. Agreement to Prefund Other Post-Employment Benefits through California Employers' Retiree Benefit Program (CERBT) and Adopt Resolution 18-05

Connie explained the CERBT program and the funding for other post-employment benefits. David further explained in detail the history of the unfunded liability, the focus by legislature on this liability and the adoption of the rate study which set forth an annual amount to start funding.

M/S: [Bambino/Schabarum] The Board authorized approval of an agreement with the California Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS) to provide for prefunding of other post-employment benefits (OPEB) with the California Employers' Retiree Benefit Trust (CERBT) Program. Adopt Resolution 18-05 to Delegate Authority to Request Disbursements. Authorize the General Manager, or designee to take any additional actions necessary to participate in the CalPERS CERBT program.

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

Reports and Communications

9. Engineer's Report

a. Water Production and Deliveries Update

District Engineer, Wayne Ohlin reported on the water deliveries and production to date and explained that we are well below the 2013 marker.

b. Project Updates

Wayne updated the Board on the solar array and the Water Treatment facility and narrated and flyover done by Halcyon with a drone. Updated the Board on wait on the Drought Contingency Grant Agreement, discussed the solar arrays at the Regulation Station. Wayne informed the Board that Calcom will be using PACE Engineering for their survey work on this project.

10. Manager's Report

David reported on the passage of Long-Term Conservation Bills AB 1668 and SB 606 that have been signed by the Governor. Keswick Releases are presently at 12,000 cfs the highest flows we have seen for several years. A NMFS proposal would limit Keswick releases to 3,250 until June 1 of each year! David reported on the status of the 2018-'19 state budget. On June 8, the Legislature's Budget Conference Committee acted to not adopt the Administration's drinking water budget proposal nor the statewide water tax budget trailer bill. The proponents of the water tax may try again to advance the proposal before the Legislature adjourns on August 31. Sen. William Monning (D-Carmel) held a press conference and rally on June 13 calling for the Legislature to approve the legislation. Possible dates for the next EAGSA meeting being the afternoons of Wednesday the 11th or Thursday the 12th of July. So far, the preferred date has been the afternoon of the 12th; however, I do not yet have a quorum. One order of business will be authorization to release the RFP for development of the GSP. Another item is to consider a resolution in opposition to the DWR reprioritization of basins that assigned maximum points to sub-basing that participate in out of basin groundwater substitution transfers.

David reported that staff recently met with the engineering consultants for the Bethel Church Campus Project regarding hydraulic modeling and fire flow requirements. Staff provided a tour of the Simpson Pump Station. He reported that he had recently participated on an interview committee with the Cottonwood Water District to hire a successor General Manager. Additionally, he plans to present to the Thursday evening Rotary this week, but it has been rescheduled. David Attended an ACWA Region 2 Board meeting on Friday, June 22nd and toured the Cal Water Operations Center that serves the City of Chico. Staff is in discussions with City of Redding staff regarding “Will Serve” conditions to augment supply in shortage years.

David reported that payments have been received in regards to the voluntary settlement agreement for the Swede Creek Bridge Pipeline. He also mentioned that several informational items were included in the Board Packet. Lastly, in response for causing wildfires and the significant associated liability that will follow, PG&E is now notifying customers of their intent to de-energize power lines during high fire danger and wildfire events. This is enormously problematic for a Water District in a high fire area and would result no water available from the public water system during such events. The District will continue to participate and monitor this important issue.

11. Board Members’ Comments and Reports

None

Adjourned to Closed Session: 7:25 PM

12. CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION pursuant Government Code 54957 (GC§54957) Public Employee Performance Evaluation. Title: General Manager

Reconvened to open session at 8:10 PM.

13. The Board President announced that direction was provided to the General Manager who received a 6% increase in salary.

Adjourned meeting at 8:15 PM

