

BELLA VISTA WATER DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

January 28, 2019

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Bella Vista Water District was called to order by the President of the Board at 5:32 p.m., at the District office.

Board Members Present:

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

Board Members Absent:

President - Ted Bambino

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

None

3. Consent Calendar:

- 3-1 Approval of Minutes of December 17, 2019, Regular Meeting
- 3-2 Financial Reports for Month Ending December 2018
- 3-3 Annual Re-adoption of Investment Policy
- 3-4 Quarterly Investment Portfolio (ending December 2018)

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

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

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

Old Business:

None

We are an equal opportunity employer and provider.

New Business:

4. Mid-Year Budget Adjustment and EOMR Reconciliation for Fiscal Year 18-19

Office Manager, Connie Wade briefly explained we had very minimal changes and has trued-up the 2017-2018 extraordinary operations, maintenance and replacement (EOMR) actual expenditures.

M/S: [Nash/Schabarum] The Board adopted the 2018-2019 Mid Year Budget Adjustments and 2017-2018 EOMR True up.

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

Reports and Communications

5. Engineer's Report

a. Water Production and Deliveries Update

Wayne reviewed the comparisons between the current year and the year 2013, as of December. Deliveries are just slightly above last year, but substantially less than 2013. Director Nash had a question about water quality. General Manager, David Coxey explained we have not really been impacted by wildfire related impacts to water quality. Treatment Operators have used turbidity readings from Keswick as well as real time turbidity monitoring at Wintu to avoid turbidity spikes from storm events and have been able to ride out storm events without switching to Wells so far this winter. We have the ability to switch to Wells if necessary.

b. Project Updates

Wayne updated the Board on meter sales, and on both Grants. The Drought Contingency Grant has been awarded to Provost and Pritchard Engineering. David discussed the need to form a Drought Task Force Committee under the Grant. Director Schabarum suggested a representative from the golf courses possibly. David explained we should strive for a fair representation of the diverse customer base. Wayne explained the staff kick-off meeting will be held with the consultant on February 5, 2019. Wayne updated the Board on the solar projects, remainder of the Grant is finishing up on the advanced metering analytics component and we still have smart controllers available. Wayne provided a brief report on his attendance at the Water User Conference.

6. Manager's Report

David reported that a candidate had been selected for the Mechanic position and a conditional offer of employment has been made. Operationally, the District has been using the Keswick sonde for turbidity with real time turbidity monitoring at the Wintu Pumping Plant. Treatment Operators have been able to avoid turbidity spikes, by temporarily suspending pumping and utilizing storage. They could to switch to wells if needed during high intensity rain events but have avoided this option to date. The DWR through the basin prioritization process has reconsidered categorizing the Anderson Sub-basin as high priority and therefore both the Anderson and Enterprise sub-basins are considered medium priority for the purposes of implementation of the

Groundwater Sustainability Management Act. Governor elect Newsom has included a water tax in his proposed budget. ACWA is working on language and sponsors to introduce legislation that would fund a drinking water trust fund that will not require a new water tax. This a complex issue that has and continues to utilize considerable resources. Implementation of 2018 Legislation on Water Conservation and Drought Planning Senate Bill 606 (Hertzberg) and Assembly Bill 1668 (Friedman) is pending guidelines and regulations from the DWR. DWR has invited the City of Redding to participate in an outdoor water use program which may help shape the outdoor water use calculation element of the legislation. In a 4 to 1 decision, the State Water Resources Control Board recently decided to in favor of the staff recommended unimpaired flows approach for Phase 1 for the San Joaquin Valley. Phase 2 is the Sacramento Valley and March 1st is the next deadline. On October 5, the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) released a draft document for public review of four proposed Public Health Goals (PHGs) for four regulated THMs. A PHG is the level of a drinking water contaminant at which adverse health effects are not expected to occur from a lifetime of exposure. The California Safe Drinking Water Act of 1996 requires OEHHA to develop PHGs based exclusively on public health considerations. PHGs published by OEHHA are considered by the State Water Board in setting legally enforceable drinking water standards known as Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCLs) for California. The development of the MCLs takes into account technical and economic feasibility. Currently, both California and U.S. EPA enforce an 80-ppb MCL for total THMs.

David reported that he attended an ACWA Board Workshop last Thursday followed by an ACWA Board meeting on Friday. A summary of the ACWA planning meeting is forthcoming. Discussions are continuing with the City of Redding and various interests regarding a draft agreement with the City to augment supply for development impacts within the common boundary. David is expecting the agreement will be on the Board agenda next month. David reported on several informational items the included press releases from Reclamation regarding the release of the Draft CVP Final Cost Allocation Study, announcement Ernest Conant selected as the Mid-Pacific Regional Director and Commissioner Burman on the negotiated revisions to the Coordinated Operations Agreement COA, and the Water Quality Control Plan. Lastly, David noted the receipt of the JPIA President's Special Recognition Award for the District due to low claims.

7. Board Members' Comments and Reports

None

ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION at 6:23 PM – 6:32 PM

12. The Board will meet in closed session pursuant to the Government Code 54956.8 – Conference with Real Property Negotiator.

Property: Supplemental Water

Negotiating parties: General Manager and various water entities

Under negotiation: Terms to acquire supplemental water

Reconvene to Open Session – Announce Actions Taken

Direction given to the General Manager to purpose a water transfer agreement.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

