

BELLA VISTA WATER DISTRICT**BOARD OF DIRECTORS****May 22, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Bella Vista Water District convened at the District Office Boardroom on Monday, May 22, 2023, at 5:30 p.m.

Any member of the public may speak during Public Comment or may email public comments to csar-tori@bvwd.org and comments will be read from each member of the public. The District will use best efforts to swiftly resolve requests for reasonable modifications or accommodations with individuals with disabilities, consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act, and resolving any doubt whatsoever in favor of accessibility.

Board Members Present:

President	-	Jim Smith
Director	-	Guy Walters
Director	-	Bob Nash
Director	-	Frank Schabarum
Director	-	Ted Bambino

Board Members Absent:

None

Officers and Staff Present:

General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer	-	David Coxey
Finance and Administration Manager	-	Christy Sartori

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE****1. Public Comment**

Glynn Gregory presented his concern that his Supplemental Water purchase of 5 AF had a deadline to purchase before the time Reclamation's initial allocation is released. He stated that he appreciates the work the District does to deliver good water but this Supplemental Water situation is not fair. It was explained the Supplemental Water Program participation is completely voluntary and that deadlines for participation are established by the water transferor and not the District.

2. Consent Calendar:

- 2-1 Approval of Minutes of April 24, 2023, Regular Meeting
- 2-2 Financial Reports for Month Ending April 2023

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

We are an equal opportunity employer and provider.

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

Old Business

None

New Business

3. Water Supply Update

General Manager David Coxe outlined the impressive chain of events in hydrology that changed the water supply and outlook completely. He stated that Reclamation's final supply allocation update increases the Irrigation water allocation from eighty percent (80%) to one hundred percent (100 %).

The Board indicated a desire in this full water supply year to continue receiving water reports that includes water deliveries to customers.

Discussion only. No Board action was taken.

4. Designate Voting Representative for ACWA Board Officers Election for the 2024-2025 Term.

David presented the item and stated that to vote for the ACWA Board Officers, each member agency must designate one voting representative by June 16, 2023. If a Voting Representative isn't appointed by the deadline, the agency's General Manager will become the authorized voter by default.

M/S: [Schabarum/Bambino] The Board designated the General Manager as the ACWA designated voting representative for the ACWA Board Officer 2024-2025 Election.

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

5. Adopt Resolution 23-04 Placing in Nomination David Coxe as a Member of the Association of California Water Agencies Region 2 Board of Directors

ACWA is seeking leadership and nominations to serve a 2-year term on each of the 10 Region's Board of Directors. Nominations must be accompanied by a concurring resolution. David stated that he is presently completing a two-year term serving on the Region 2 Board, presently as the Vice Chair, and believes it is important for the regions and the Association to carry on the important work of policy, advocacy, regulatory and state and federal legislative engagement. Serving on the ACWA Region Board provides advantages to the District in terms of access, regional input and policy influence.

M/S: [Schabarum/Bambino] The Board Authorized Resolution 23-04 nominating David Coxe for the position of Board Member for the ACWA Region 2 Board.

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

6. **Revise Regular Board Meeting Date for July 2023**

David stated that due to a scheduling conflict, staff recommends rescheduling the July regular meeting of the Bella Vista Water District Board of Directors from Monday, July 24, 2023, to Monday, July 17, 2023.

M/S: [Nash/Schabarum] The Board approved rescheduling the July meeting of the Bella Vista Water District Board of Directors from Monday, July 24, 2023, to Monday, July 17, 2023.

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

Reports and Communications

7. **Engineering and Developments Reports**

David provided the following outline summary of Engineering and Developments in progress:

1. District Projects/Facilities
 - a. USBR Water Smart Grant- 3MG Tank
 - Value Engineering Submitted to Reclamation. Reclamation has reviewed it and is fine with project change to concrete tank. No contract amendment is required.
 - Tank design reviewed by Engineering & Planning Committee
 - Proposed pump station in design
 - b. USBR 5-Year RO&M Inspection – Completed on April 5, awaiting draft report
 - c. Moody Creek Drive Pipeline Replacement Project
 - Insurance certificate, Bonds received. Contract documents executed, May 10, 2023.
 - 4-week construction anticipated to begin in August
 - Notice to proceed and preconstruction meeting pending
 - d. Cow Creek Siphon Removal at Cow creek Bridget
 - Western Shasta RCD Design completed
 - Grant and permitting secured
 - Construction anticipated late Summer/Fall of 2023
2. Developments Under Design/Construction
 - a. Seven Bridges Phase II (Monroe) – houses being built and meters set
 - b. Reserve at Gold Hills – review completed; plans signed
 - c. Bethel Campus and Offsite Improvements
 - Campus – grading and make-ready improvements completed - receiving temporary construction water service
 - Bethel Offsite Improvements - pump station and pipelines under design
3. PG&E Infrastructure “Hardening”
 - Approximately 80 miles within the District - upgrading poles and undergrounding utility for fire resilience – Continuing
 - Damaged 30-inch CCP damages claim analysis – ongoing
4. Public Works in Planning
 - City of Redding Old Oregon Trail Widening – Paso Robles to Bear Mountain Road – 60% design reviewed

5. SGMA Compliance – EAGSA Update
 - Grant application submitted and results pending
 - Annual report submitted – If the grant is unsuccessful, costs for the annual report will need to be apportioned 1/6th of \$50,000 or \$8,333 each.

Discussion only. No Board action was taken.

8. Manager's Report

David Coxey reported that staff is working on a budgeting and had completed implementation of the rate study and a number of regulatory compliance requirements that includes completion of the annual Consumer Confidence Report, the Electronic Annual Report to the State Water Resources Control Board and is working to comply with the revisions to the federal lead and copper rule that includes a lead service line inventory (LSLI) for service lines both upstream and downstream of the meter. The District does not believe there is a single lead service line anywhere in the District, but inspection and verification of the service line material is required regardless. Water agencies are now required to submit monthly to the State Water Resources Control Board's SAFER Portal quarterly in addition to all the other reporting that is required to the Division of Drinking Water and Bureau of Reclamation.

There has been a recent increase in the number of Underground Service Alert North tickets mostly by PG&E contractors performing wildfire hardening work. Two lines were hit by contractors today. Included in the Board Packet is an Emergency Rulemaking by the State Board to prohibit "non-functioning turf". Both a Finance and Personnel and Engineering and Planning Committee meeting is recommended for June.

M/S: Discussion only. No Board action was taken.

9. Board Members' Comments and Reports

Director Bambino asked for an update on recruitment. David stated the general consensus of the management team is that a position for Project and Regulatory Compliance Manager is needed and that true engineering services are best fulfilled utilizing a consultant. David explained he needs to develop a job description for the position.

Director Smith reported that he attended the ACWA conference and his general impressions of the conference as well as details and projections from the JPIA Board meeting.

10. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

