SWEETWATER SPRINGS WATER DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

MINUTES*

(*In order discussed)

Board of Directors Meeting
January 5, 2017
6:30 p.m.

Board Members Present:	Tim Lipinski Pip Marquez de la Plata (arr. 6:38 pm) Rich Holmer Gaylord Schaap Sukey Robb-Wilder
Board Members Absent:	(None)
Staff in Attendance:	Steve Mack, General Manager Julie Kenny, Secretary to the Board
Others in Attendance:	Robin Donoghue, District Legal Counsel

I. CALL TO ORDER

The properly agendized meeting was called to Order by President Robb-Wilder at 6:32 p.m.

II. CHANGES TO AGENDA and DECLARATION OF CONFLICT (6:32 p.m.)

None.

III. CONSENT CALENDAR (6:33 p.m.)

Director Rob-Wilder reviewed the items on the Consent Calendar. Director Holmer moved to approve the Consent Calendar. Director Lipinski seconded. Motion carried 4-0. The following items were approved:

A. Approval of the Minutes of the December 1, 2016 Regular Meeting.

B. Approval of Operations Warrants/Online payments/EFT payment.

C. Receipt of Item(s) of Correspondence: (None.)

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT (6:34 p.m.)

None.

V. ADMINISTRATIVE (6:34 p.m.)*

**in the order discussed*

A-. **(6:34 p.m.) Discussion/Action re Draft letter regarding Fish Flow Project DEIR and Sonoma County Water Agency Petitions to Change Decision 1610.** The GM provided an overview of this item. Comments were made by Legal Counsel Robin Donoghue.

** Director Marquez de la Plata arrived at 6:38 p.m.

Questions and discussion ensued. Director Marquez de la Plata commented on the District's meeting with Supervisor-Elect Lynda Hopkins. Directors Holmer and Marquez de la Plata volunteered to work on a press release to District customers regarding our perspective on the DEIR and alerting them of the opportunity to submit their own comments. Further discussion ensued.

V-B. **(7:39 p.m.) Discussion/Action re Expiration and/or Possible Extension, etc. of Lease with Ferrellgas for District Office Space.** The GM provided an overview of this item. Discussion ensued. The GM requested Robin Donoghue to prepare an addendum to the current lease.

V-C. **(7:45 p.m.) Discussion/Action re Introduction tot he FY 2017-18 Operating and Capital Improvement Budget Process.** The GM provided an overview of this item. Brief discussion ensued. President Robb-Wilder informally appointed Directors Lipinski and Schaap to an Ad Hoc Budget Committee to last until the FY 2017-18 Budget was approved.

VI. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (7:52 p.m.)

The General Manager reported on the following items:

1. Water Production and Sales
2. Leaks
3. Guerneville rainfall and projected weekend rainfall
4. River Lane Property Sale
5. Russian River Flooding Planning
6. 2017 CIP
7. TAP Training
8. Toilet Rebate/Direct Install Program
9. In-House Construction Projects
10. Gantt Chart

Discussion ensued.

VII. BOARD MEMBERS' ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS (8:12 p.m.)

1. Director Lipinski shared two news articles from other areas regarding water issues in the news.

2. Director Lipinski wondered whether a history of the District existed.

VIII. CLOSED SESSION (None)

IX. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA (8:17 p.m.)

1. Ferrellgas lease
2. DEIR Press Release
3. Appointment of Ad Hoc Budget Committee

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie A. Kenny
Clerk to the Board of Directors

APPROVED:

Gaylord Schaap: _____
Sukey Robb-Wilder: _____
Tim Lipinski: _____
Richard Holmer _____
Pip Marquez de la Plata _____