SWEETWATER SPRINGS WATER DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

MINUTES*

(*In order discussed)

Board of Directors Meeting
April 4, 2019
6:30 p.m.

Board Members Present:	Tim Lipinski Sukey Robb-Wilder Rich Holmer
Board Members Absent:	Pip Marquez de la Plata Gaylord Schaap
Staff in Attendance:	Ed Fortner, General Manager Julie A. Kenny, Secretary to the Board
Others in Attendance:	Robin Donoghue, Legal Counsel Steve Mack

I. CALL TO ORDER (6:30 p.m.)

The properly agendized meeting was called to Order by Vice President Lipinski at 6:33 p.m.

II. CHANGES TO AGENDA and DECLARATION OF CONFLICT (6:31 p.m.)

(None.)

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

Director Lipinski reviewed the items on the Consent Calendar. Director Holmer moved to approve the items on the Consent Calendar. Director Robb-Wilder seconded. Motion carried 3-0. The following items were approved:

A. Approval of the Minutes of the March 7, 2019 Board Meeting

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

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

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

(None.)

V. CLOSED SESSION (6:35 p.m.)

At 6:35 p.m. President Lipinski announced the items for discussion in Closed Session. At 6:36 p.m. the Board went into Closed Session. At 6:42 p.m. the meeting reconvened and the following action was announced:

A. Pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54957(b) - Public Employment: General Manager
(Action taken in Open Session)

B. Pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54957.6 - Compensation of Proposed General Manager
District Negotiators: Board Members Holmer and Marquez de la Plata
(Action taken in Open Session)

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE (6:42 p.m.)*

**in the order discussed*

V-A. (6:42 p.m.) Discussion/Action re Revision to the Employment Agreement with Ed Fortner attached as part of Resolution 19-02 (approved at the March meeting). Director Holmer moved to confirm Resolution 19-02, Approving an Employment Agreement with Ed Fortner, Jr., and Authorizing the Board President to Execute Said Agreement on the District's Behalf, as revised. Director Robb-Wilder seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

V-B. (6:45 p.m.) Discussion/Action re Draft FY 2019-20 Operating and Capital Budget. The GM provided an overview of this item. Comments were made by Legal Counsel Robin Donoghue. Public comment was made by Steve Mack. Further comments were made by Robin Donoghue. Board discussion ensued. Public comment was made by Steve Mack. Further discussion ensued. Direction was given to staff to proceed with the Proposition 218 Notice with fee increase.

V-C. (7:27 p.m.) Discussion/Action re Resolution 19-03 - Sole Source Contract for CIP 2019. The GM provided an overview of this item. Board discussion ensued. Public comment was made by Steve Mack. Director Holmer moved to adopt Resolution 19-03, Waiving District Policy 3700.50 Requiring Competitive Bids for Projects over $25,000 and Awarding the CIP 2019 Contract for ATEC Filter Replacement, to Piazza Construction in the sum of $50,890, and the Contract for ATEC filters to ATEC Systems, Inc. in the Sum of $143,130.16. Board questions ensued. Comments were made by Robin Donoghue. Director Robb-Wilder seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

V-D. (7:40 p.m.) Discussion/Action re Resolution 19-04 - Authorizing and Revoking Signers to the West America Bank Accounts. Board secretary Julie Kenny provided an overview of this item. Board discussion ensued. Director Robb-Wilder moved to approve Resolution 19-04, Authorizing and Revoking Signers to the West America Bank Accounts. Director Holmer seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

V-E. (7:45 p.m.) Discussion/Action re Governor-proposed tax on water bills (RH). The GM provided an overview of this item. Board discussion ensued. Comments were made by Robin Donoghue. Public comment was made by Steve Mack. Direction was given to staff to draft a letter and send to the Board for review.

VII. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (7:57 p.m.)

The GM provided a report on the following items:

1. Water production and sales
2. Leaks
3. Guerneville rainfall
4. River Lane property sale
5. 2019 CIP
6. In-House Construction Projects
7. Gantt Chart

Brief discussion ensued.

VIII. BOARD MEMBERS' ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS (8:05 p.m.)

1. Director Robb-Wilder announced that she would not be here for the July meeting.
2. Director Lipinski shared the Russian River Sanitation District rate increase brochure.

Discussion ensued.

IX. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA (8:10 p.m.)

1. FY 2019-20 Draft Budget and rates
2. Actual vs. Budgeted - 3Q
3. Water tax
4. Cost of service discussion

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 8:12 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 _____