# SWEETWATER SPRINGS WATER DISTRICT

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

# MINUTES*

## (*In order discussed)

Board of Directors Meeting
August 3, 2017
6:30 p.m.

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| **Board Members Present:** | Sukey Robb-Wilder<br>Rich Holmer<br>Gaylord Schaap<br>Pip Marquez de la Plata (arr. 6:32 pm) |
| **Board Members Absent:** | Tim Lipinski |
| **Staff in Attendance:** | Julie Kenny, Secretary to the Board |
| **Others in Attendance:** | Robin Donoghue, Esq. (Meyers Nave)<br>Erin Rickards<br>Carrie Moriarty |

## I. CALL TO ORDER

The properly agendized meeting was called to Order by President Robb-Wilder at 6:31 p.m.

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

Director Schaap recused himself as to Item V-B (District's Rejection of New Water Service at 14712 Eagles Nest, Rio Nido) due to a potential conflict of interest.

## III. CONSENT CALENDAR (6:32 p.m.)

Director Robb-Wilder reviewed the items on the Consent Calendar. Director Robb-Wilder requested that the Minutes (Item III-A) be pulled for discussion. Director Schaap moved to approve the remaining item(s) on the Consent Calendar. Director Holmer seconded. Motion carried 4-0. The following items were approved:

A. (Removed for discussion)

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

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

**III-A.** **(6:34 p.m.) Approval of the Minutes of the June 1, 2017 Board Meeting.** This item was removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion. Director Robb-Wilder requested that the names of the candidates selected by the Board for Items V-E (CSDA ballot) and Item V-F (SDRMA ballot) of the July Board meeting be added to the Minutes. Brief discussion ensued. This item was continued to the September Board meeting due a lack of Board members present who had attended the July meeting sufficient to pass a motion.

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

None.

## V. ADMINISTRATIVE (6:35 p.m.)*

**in the order discussed*

**V-A.** **(6:35 p.m.) Discussion/Action re Sukey Robb-Wilder's Desire to Resign from the Office of Board President.** Director Robb-Wilder introduced this item. Director Holmer moved to accept the resignation. Board discussion ensued. Comments were made by Legal Counsel Robin Donoghue. Director Holmer withdrew his motion. Director Holmer moved to accept President Robb-Wilder's delegation of the duty of running the Board meetings to Vice President Marquez de la Plata for the remainder of her term. Director Marquez de la Plata seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

**V-B.** **(6:40 p.m.) Discussion/Action re Appeal of District's Rejection of New Water Service at 14712 Eagles Nest, Rio Nido.** Comments were made by Robin Donoghue. Director Schaap recused himself due to a business relationship with the property owner. The GM provided an overview of this item. Property Owner Erin Rickards made a presentation to the Board. Board questions and significant discussion ensued. No action was taken.

**V-C.** **(7:23 p.m.) Public Hearing: Discussion/Action re Resolution 17-14, Overruling Protests and Confirming Report on Annual Flat Charge for Sweetwater Springs Water District.** The GM gave an overview of this item. At 7:25 pm, Vice President Marquez de la Plata opened the Public Hearing. There were no comments. He closed the Public Hearing at 7:25 p.m. A recommendation was made by Legal Counsel Robin Donoghue to amend Motion 17-14 to amend Resolved 1 as follows:

> "1. That all objections to and protests against said report, <u>if any</u>, .... " *(amended portion underlined)*

Director Holmer moved to approve Resolution 17-14 as amended. Director Robb-Wilder seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

**V-D.** **(7:32 p.m.) Discussion/Action re 4th Quarter Actual vs. Budgeted (Operations and Capital) Report ;thru June 30, 2017.** The GM gave an overview of this item. Board discussion ensued. No action was taken.

**V-E.** **(7:42 p.m.) Discussion/Action re District Water Rights and the SCWA Fish Flow Project.** The GM provided an overview of this item. Board discussion ensued. No action was taken.

**V-F.** **(8 p.m.) Discussion/Action re Guernewood Park Resort Project.** The GM gave an overview of this item. Board discussion ensued. No action was taken.

**V-G. (8:07 p.m.) Discussion/Action re Pursuing District investment in the Public Agency Retirement Services (PARS) Rate Stabilization Program.** The GM provided an overview of this item. Board discussion ensued. Direction was given to staff to move forward with the Program.

## VI. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (8:15 p.m.)

The GM provided a report on the following items:

1. Water production and sales
2. Leaks
3. Russian River flow
4. River Lane property sale
5. CIP 2017
6. Toilet Rebate / Direct Install Program
7. Gantt Chart

Brief discussion ensued.

## VII. BOARD MEMBERS' ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS (8:24 p.m.)

(None.)

## VIII. CLOSED SESSION (8:24 p.m.)

At 8:24 p.m., Director Marquez de la Plata announced the items for discussion in Closed Session. At 8:25 p.m. the Board went into Closed Session. At 9:10 p.m., the meeting reconvened and the following action was taken on the Closed Session item listed below:

A. Conference with Labor Negotiator (pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54957.6)
District negotiator: Steve Mack
Employee Organization: Stationary Engineers Local 39
*Direction was given to staff.*

B. Conference with Legal Counsel - Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9. Number of cases: 1
*Direction was given to staff.*

C. Pursuant to Gov Code Section 54957 - Public Employee Performance Evaluation
Title: General Manager
*No action was taken.*

## IX. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA (9:12 p.m.)

1. PARS
2. July Minutes
3. Monte Rio Rec and Park land purchase proposal
4. CIP 2017 update
5. District water rights
6. Guernewood Park Resort
7. Capacity Charge requirement - Leslie Bahr

## ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 9:18 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 _____