SWEETWATER SPRINGS WATER DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

MINUTES*

(*In order discussed)

Board of Directors Meeting
September 1, 2016
6:30 p.m.

Board Members Present:	Tim Lipinski Pip Marquez de la Plata Richard 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 Tim Lipinski at 6:30 p.m.

II. CHANGES TO AGENDA and DECLARATION OF CONFLICT (6:30 p.m.)

None.

III. CONSENT CALENDAR (6:30 p.m.)

Director Lipinski reviewed the items on the Consent Calendar. Director Holmer moved to approve the Consent Calendar. Director Robb-Wilder seconded. Motion carried 5-0. The following items were approved:

A. Approval of the Minutes of the August 4, 2016 Regular Meeting.

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

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

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT (6:32 p.m.)

None.

V. ADMINISTRATIVE (6:32 p.m.)*

**in the order discussed*

V-A. **(6:32 p.m.) Discussion/Action re El Bonita Wellfield.** The GM provided an overview of this item. Discussion ensued. No action was taken.

V-B. **(6:45 p.m.) Discussion/Action re Draft Urban Water Management Plan Update.** The GM provided an overview of this item. Discussion ensued. No action was taken.

V-C. **(7:13 p.m.) Discussion/Action re Progress on USDA Loan/Bond and Review of Other District Loans.** The GM provided an overview of this item. Board discussion ensued. Direction was given to staff to proceed with the GM recommendation to pay off the smaller State loan and move forward with refinancing the private placement loan.

V-D. **(7:52 p.m.) Discussion/Action re Sonoma County Water Agency Open House regarding Decision 1610 EIR.** The GM provided an overview of this item. Board discussion ensued. Legal Counsel Robin Donoghue made additional comments. Further discussion ensued. No action was taken.

VI. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (8:26 p.m.)

The General Manager reported on the following items:

1. Water Production and Sales
2. Leaks
3. Russian River Flow
4. River Lane Property Sale
5. Toilet Rebate/Direct Install Program
6. In-House Construction Projects
7. Gantt Chart

Brief discussion ensued.

VII. BOARD MEMBERS' ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS (8:41 p.m.)

1. Director Robb-Wilder announced that she would be out of town from September 9 to October 3.
2. Direct Lipinski shared an article regarding tainted water in New Zealand.

VIII. CLOSED SESSION (8:47 p.m.)

At 8:47 p.m. President Lipinski announced the items for discussion in Closed Session. However, the GM announced he had no information to share regarding the scheduled Closed Session item. Therefore, the Closed Session item (Conference with Legal Counsel re Anticipated Litigation) was removed from the Agenda.

VIII. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA (8:48 p.m.)

1. Urban Water Management Plan
2. Sonoma County Water Agency EIR
3. USDA Loan and other District debt
4. Water Audit Program

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 8:51 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 _____