SWEETWATER SPRINGS WATER DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

MINUTES*

(*In order discussed)

Board of Directors Meeting
Regular Meeting
January 7, 2010
6:30 p.m.

Board Members Present:	Victoria Wikle Wanda Smith Sukey Robb-Wilder Jim Quigley
Board Members Absent:	Gaylord Schaap
Staff in Attendance:	Steve Mack, General Manager Julie A. Kenny, Secretary to the Board
Others in Attendance:	Mike Gogna Lloyd Guccione Nhu Le Dan Fein

I. CALL TO ORDER

The properly agendized meeting was called to Order by President Jim Quigley at 6:32 p.m.

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

The GM noted that a corrected Minutes for the 12/3/2009 Board meeting had been passed out.

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

Public comment was made by Lloyd Guccione. Director Robb-Wilder moved to approve the Consent Calendar as submitted. Director Smith seconded. Motion carried 4-0. The following items were approved:

A. Approval of the Minutes of the December 3, 2009 Board Meeting

B. Approval of Operations Warrants/Online payments/EFT payments/Construction Warrants, and West America account activity

C. Receipt of Item(s) of Correspondence:

(1) Letter (undated) from Lloyd Guccione; E-mail from Steve Mack to Lloyd Guccione dated 12/23/2009; E-mail response dated 12/27/2009 from Lloyd Guccione

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT (6:35 p.m.)

Public comment was made by Lloyd Guccione.
Public comment was made by Steve Mack.

V. ADMINISTRATIVE (6:39 p.m.)

A. **(6:39 p.m.) Discussion/Action re Introduction by title only of Ordinance 42, Amending Policy 5010, Annual Organizational Meeting.** The GM provided an overview of this matter. Board questions ensued. Director Smith made a motion to introduce by title only Ordinance 42, Revising Board Officer Elections. Director Robb-Wilder seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

B. **(6:47 p.m.) Discussion/Action re Introduction by title only of Ordinance 43, re Method of Approving Changes to Rates and Fees by the Board.** The GM introduced this item. Board questions ensued. Public comment was made by Lloyd Guccione. Further discussion ensued. Director Wikle moved to introduce by reading of title only Ordinance 43, Adding Policy Number 3900 to the District's Policy and Procedures, Allowing Water Rates to be Set by Resolution. Further Board discussion ensued. Director Robb-Wilder seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

C. **(6:56 p.m.) Discussion/Action re Status report on application for FY 2009-10 and FY 2010-11 funding from the Russian River Redevelopment Oversight Committee/Sonoma County Redevelopment Agency for CIP IV-B.** The GM provided an overview of this item. Board questions ensued. Public comment was made by Lloyd Guccione. No formal action was taken.

D. **(7:04 p.m.) Discussion/Action re 6-year Capital Improvement Program. Staff recommendation for a policy regarding method of approving rates and fees.** The GM provided an overview of this item. Board discussion ensued. Public comment was made by Dan Fein. Public comment was made by Lloyd Guccione. Further Board discussion ensued. No formal action was taken.

E. **(7:48 p.m.) Discussion/Action re Staff report on the FY 2010-11 Budget process and possible changes to District water rates and fees.** The GM provided an overview of this item. Public comment was made by Lloyd Guccione. Public comment was made by Nhu Le. Board discussion ensued. Director Robb-Wilder volunteered to sit on an ad hoc Budget Committee. Director Schaap was appointed to sit on an ad hoc Budget Committee.

VI. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (7:58 p.m.)

The GM provided an overview and answered Board questions on the following subjects:

1. Laboratory testing
2. Water production and sales
3. Leaks
4. Rainfall
5. Well rehabilitations
6. 2005 Urban Water Management Plan

Public comment was made by Lloyd Guccione.
Public comment was made by Dan Fein.

VII. BOARD MEMBERS' ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS (8:28 p.m.)

(None.)

VIII. CLOSED SESSION (8:28 p.m.)

At 8:28 p.m. President Wikle announced the items for discussion in Closed Session. At 8:32 p.m. the Board went into Closed Session. At 9:05 p.m., the meeting reconvened and the following action on the Closed Session item was announced:

A. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation, pursuant to subd. (a) of Section 54956.9
Name of case: Cross-Complaint of F. Korbel & Bros. v. John Bruce Berry, et al.
No action was taken.

B. Conference with Real Property Negotiators pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54956.7.
Property: 14139 Sunset Avenue, Guerneville
Agency negotiator: Steve Mack
Negotiating parties: SSWD and SBA Wireless Towers
Direction was given to staff.

C. Conference with Labor Negotiator (pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54957.6):
District negotiator: Steve Mack
Employee Organization: Stationary Engineers Local 39
No action was taken.

IX. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA (9:06 p.m.)

1. Adoption of Ordinances 42 and 43.
2. Progress report on CIP IV-B.
3. 2nd Quarter Actual vs. Budgeted report
4. Approval of FY 2008-09 Audit
5. Update on CDC funding for Eastern/Western project

Public comment was made by Lloyd Guccione.
Brief discussion ensued.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie A. Kenny
Clerk to the Board of Directors

APPROVED:

Wanda Smith: _____

Victoria Wikle: _____

Gaylord Schaap: _____

Sukey Robb-Wilder: _____

Jim Quigley: _____