

# BELLFLOWER-SOMERSET MUTUAL WATER COMPANY MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD DIRECTORS

March 16, 2020 4:30 P.M. Location: Company Office

ROLL CALL OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Rick Cook

Eric Ikeda

Leo Struiksma

Robert Wilson

Cheryl Harris

#### OTHERS PRESENT

Steve Lenton, General Manager Tom Coleman, Consultant Cheryl Jubrey, office administrator

- 1. Call to Order:
  - President Cook called to order a regular meeting of the Board of Directors at 4:34p.m. at the company office located 10016 Flower St, Bellflower, CA
- 2. Additions to the Agenda None
- 3. Approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting held February 24, 2020. Motion by Director Struiksma, seconded by Director Ikeda and carried to approve the minutes of February 24,2020.
- 4. Approve Payment of Bills
  Motion by Director Ikeda, seconded by Director Harris and carried to approve payment
  of the bills as presented.
- 5. Public Comment: None

#### Discussion/Action Items:

6. Old and New Business:

- A. Mr. Adan Ortega form Cal Mutuals provided a presentation on the legal status and strategies concerning water utilities impacted by PFOS/PFOA in their water supplies. The board was briefed by Mr. Ortega of the law firm SL Environmental Law who has successfully represented other clients in lawsuits against the manufacturer of PFOS/PFOA. A motion was made by Director Harris to retain SL Environmental Law to represent BSMWC in future class action lawsuits against the manufacturers of PFOS/PFOA. The motion was seconded by Director Struiksma and passed unanimously.
- B. Mr. Lenton and Mr. Coleman provided the board with an update of their meeting with the Division of Drinking Water on the proposed installation of single pass ion exchange water treatment for the removal of PFOS/PFOA at two of the company's current well sites. Mr. Lenton and Mr. Coleman also reviewed 3D site renderings of the two well sites with the single pass ion exchange water treatment vessels super imposed into the sites.
- C. Four potential properties were shown to the board for future office and warehouse facilities. After much discussion a consensus was made to form a Real estate Committee to work with staff and the consultant in researching which property will ultimately be the best property for the Company's future office and warehouse. The board selected President Cook and Director Wilson to be the committee members of the Real estate Committee.

### Reports:

- 7. Legislative Updates No Update
- 8. Projects Update
  - A) Leahy Well: Mr. Lenton reported that the permit was ready to be picked up Due to COVID-19 Mr. Lenton is waiting on arraignments from the City so he can access the City Hall to finalize the permit and pick it up.
  - B) Courthouse Pipeline: No Update
- 9. Other Reports
  - A. Water Quality:
    Mr. Lenton informed the board all samples are up to date.
  - B. PWAG: Mr. Lenton informed the board that weekly conference call meetings are being conducted to keep all PWAG members up to date guidelines and requirements for COVID-19 compliance.
  - C. Maintenance Safety Harassment: No Report

- D. Watermaster- Plan Update No Report
- 10. Finance Committee: No Report
- 11. Personnel Committee: No Report

## Executive Session: (Personnel Matters)

Adjournment

The President asked if there was any further business to come before the Board of Directors, there being none, motion made by Director Harris, seconded by Director Struiksma, carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:21PM.

Rick Cook Board President

ATTEST:

Eric Ikeda, Secretary