



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

June 20, 2022

4:30 P.M.

Location: Company Office

ROLL CALL OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Eric Ikeda, Vice President
Robert Wilson, Secretary - Treasurer
Leo Struiksma, Director
Cheryl Harris, Director

OTHERS PRESENT

Steve Lenton, General Manager
John Poehler, Assist. General Manager
Wesley Whitehead, Share holder
Tara Bravo, CV Strategies
Kathlene Leininger, Aflac

ABSENT:

Rick Cook, President
Tom Coleman, consultant

1. Call to Order:

Vice President Ikeda called to order a regular meeting of the Board of Directors at 4:30 pm. at the company office of Bellflower-Somerset Mutual Water Company located at 10016 Flower St, Bellflower, CA 90706.

2. Additions to the Agenda: Mr. Lenton introduced John Poehler, the new Assistant General Manager to the Board.

3. Approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting held May 16,2022.

A motion was made by Director Wilson, seconded by Director Struiksma. The motion was unanimously carried by the board 3-0-1 to approve the minutes of the May 16, 2022, Board Meeting. Director Harris abstained

4. Approve Payment of Bills:

A Motion was made by Director Struiksma, seconded by Director Harris to approve the payment of the bills as presented. The motion was unanimously carried by the board 4-0.

5. Public Comment: Mr. Whitehead thanked Director Wilson for his support of the company in the City council meeting this past month.

6. Discussion/Action items:

A) Presentation by Cathy Leininger of Aflac: Mrs. Leininger presented to the Board the policies that are available to employees for supplemental insurance to be paid by individual employees.

B) Discuss and approve Resolution declaring stage 2 drought conditions'. Lenton presented to the Board that Governor Newsom signed a mandate requiring the company to impose stage 2 restriction in our drought plan. After discussion a motion was made to adopt resolution 6-2022-01 by Director Harris and seconded by director Struiksma and passed 4-0

C) Discuss and approve Resolution for implementing stage 2 drought rates: Discussion was carried during item 6-B concerning the rates. The same motion included the passage of resolution 6-2022-01 to include the stage 2 drought rate increase.

D) Discuss and approve agreement with the city of Bellflower for leased water and pumping rights: After discussion that the agreement is an extension of the past agreement for one year. A motion was made by director Wilson and seconded by director Struiksma and passed 4-0

E) Discuss and approve Mr. Lenton to sign agreement with SVA for design of the new Facilities: Discussion was had that more bids need to be received to compare the quote with. Also in debate was the line item of the rights to the plans. The item was tabled until more quotes can be received.

7. Project updates:

A) Courthouse mainline update: Mr. Lenton informed the board that the supervisors approved the easement and final verbiage is being prepared..

- B) Leahy Well: Mr. Lenton informed the Board our engineering firm has approved the pump design by the pump company, and we are waiting on shipping at this time.
- C) Artesia Property: Mr. Lenton informed the board that the adjacent property has been sold. Director Wilson informed the Board that conversations were made with the city concerning the wall on the adjacent property and the footing holding it up. Staff will dig a pot hole next to the building to verify the size of the footing.

8. REPORTS:

- A. Legislative: NONE
- B. Finance/ Customer Service: NONE
- C. Water Quality: Mr. Poehrer informed the board that all samples are up to date.
- D. Public Water Agency Group (PWAG): NONE
- E. Maintenance – Safety: Mr. Poehler informed the Board that safety training was conducted on backhoe safety and all other training is up to date.
- F. Public Relations Tara Bravo presented to the board that the web site interaction is up to 1 minute 53 seconds per hit with about 1200 hits per month.

9. Committee reports:

- A. Personnel Committee: NONE
- B. Finance Committee: to be held in executive session
- C. Real Estate: NONE
- D. General Managers Comments: NONE

10. Executive Session: (Operations, Personnel, real estate, legal matters):

11. Adjournment:

The Vice President asked if there was any further business to come before the Board of Directors, there being none, a motion was made by Director Harris to adjourn the meeting at 6:01 PM.



Eric Ikeda
Board Vice- President

ATTEST:



Robert Wilson, Secretary