



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

October 25, 2022

5:00 P.M.

Location: Company Office

ROLL CALL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Rick Cook, President

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

Angelica Zepeda, Office Manager

Ian Berg, Eide Bailly

Wesley Whitehead, Shareholder

Tom Coleman, Consultant

1. Call to Order

President Cook called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Directors at 4:59 p.m. at the company office of Bellflower-Somerset Mutual Water Company located at 10016 Flower St. Bellflower, CA 90706.

2. Additions to the Agenda: None

3. Approve Minutes of the Board Meeting held September 19, 2022

A motion was made by Director Struiksma, seconded by Director Wilson. The motion was unanimously approved by the board; 5-0, to approve the September 19, 2022 board meeting minutes.

4. Approve Payment of Bills

A motion was made by Director Harris, seconded by Director Struiksma to approve the payment of the bills as presented. The motion was unanimously carried by the board; 5-0.

5. Public Comment

Shareholder Wesley Whitehead asked how many years of usage do we expect to get out the new building? Mr. Lenton responded this will be a permanent facility. Mr. Whitehead mentioned that the State is considering pivoting to electrical vehicles, and inquired if the board considering this for future fleet and the new building? Director Wilson replied that the board has considered this and plans to review all this during the architectural review. All electrical will be up to date within State requirements.

6. Discussion/Action items

A. Election of Officers:

President Cook opened the floor for nominations of 2023 officers. Director Ikeda nominated Director Harris as board President. After discussion Director Ikeda withdrew his nomination. Director Harris nominated President Cook and made a motion to continue with existing officers next year, which was seconded by Director Ikeda. The motion was unanimously carried by the board; 5-0.

B. Presentation by Ian Berg of 2022 Annual Financial Statement conducted by Davis Farr:

Ian Berg provided a complete overview of the Fiscal Year 2021/2022 Annual Financial Statement. Director Harris wanted to make sure we are progressing with proposed CIP projects as budgeted. Mr. Poehler confirmed we are working on all mainline replacements.

Mr. Coleman informed the board of proposed MET allocation. MET is circulating a Memorandum of Understanding to all water companies to go into these allocations. The board should expect to see less revenue in the next 3-4 years.

A motion was made by Director Harris, seconded by Director Wilson to approve the 2022 Annual Financial Statement as presented. The motion was unanimously carried by the board; 5-0.

7. Project Updates:

A. Courthouse Mainline: Mr. Lenton informed the board he received a copy of signed easement.

B. Leahy Well: Mr. Lenton informed the board the parts for the generator arrived defective. There is a problem with a heat sensor. The part has been ordered to replace in the coming weeks.

8. Reports:

A. Legislative: None

B. Finance/Customer Service: None

- C. Water Quality: Mr. Poehler informed the board all samples are up to date.
- D. Public Water Agency Group (PWAG): None
- E. Maintenance – Safety: Mr. Poehler informed the board that there would be an upcoming hand and power tools training.
- F. Public Relations: Mr. Poehler thanked the board for their participation at the Leahy Well Dedication.

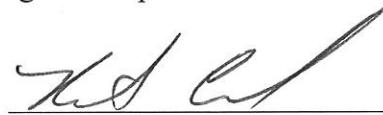
9. **Committee Reports:**

- A. Personnel Committee: None
- B. Finance Committee: None
- C. Real Estate: None
- D. General Managers Comments: None

10. **Executive Session:** (Operations, Personnel, Real Estate, Legal Matters):

- A. Approved Handbook October 25, 2022

11. **Adjournment:** President Cook asked if there was any further business to discuss before the Board of Directors. Seeing there was none, a motion was made by Director Harris and seconded by Director Struiksmas to adjourn the meeting at 5:55 p.m.



Rick Cook
Board President

ATTEST:



Robert Wilson, Secretary