



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

February 21, 2023

4:30 P.M.

Location: Company Office

ROLL CALL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Eric Ikeda, Vice President

Robert Wilson, Secretary – Treasurer

Leo Struiksmā, Director

Cheryl Harris, Director

OTHERS PRESENT

Steve Lenton, General Manager

Angelica Zepeda, Office Manager

Beatrice Eslamboly, CV Strategies

Wesley Whitehead, Shareholder

ABSENT

Rick Cook, President

1. Call to Order

President Ikeda called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Directors at 4:29 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 January 17, 2023

A motion was made by Director Wilson, seconded by Director Harris. The motion was approved by the board; 4-0, to approve the January 17, 2023 board meeting minutes.

4. Approve Payment of Bills

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

5. Approve Financial Statement

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

6. Public Comment

Shareholder Wesley Whitehead asked how the increase in electricity is affecting our budget. Mr. Lenton explained there is a 5%-6% increase put in the budget.

7. Discussion/Action Items

A. Railroad Crossing: Mr. Lenton shared the City is working on reopening the railroads within 5 years. The approximate cost to reroute 6 lines is \$1 Million.

8. Project Updates

A. Courthouse Mainline: Mr. Lenton notified the board the project line is in which has been chlorinated and flushed. Completion of the project is dependent on the results which will arrive within a week or two.

B. Leahy Well: Mr. Lenton informed the board there is not a need to treat for PFOS and he is waiting on the State.

C. Office Warehouse: Mr. Steve Lenton advised the board the agreement has been reviewed by Mr. Jim Champa final approval. The contract will be signed to move forward.

9. Reports

A. Legislative: None

B. Finance/Customer Service: None

C. Water Quality: None

D. Public Water Agency Group (PWAG): None

E. Maintenance – Safety: Mr. Lenton informed the board all Safety training is up to date.

F. Public Relations: Beatrice Eslamboly provided a copy of the BSMWC/Board Communications Report demonstrating statistics of the boosting has had a positive increase in community engagement.

10. Committee Reports

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

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

- 12. Adjournment** President Ikeda 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 Wilson to adjourn the meeting at 5:35 p.m.



Eric Ikeda
Board Vice President

ATTEST:



Robert Wilson, Secretary