



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

**January 24, 2023**

**4:30 P.M.**

**Location: Company Office**

**ROLL CALL BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Rick Cook, President  
Eric Ikeda, Vice President  
Robert Wilson, Secretary – Treasurer  
Leo Struiksmma, Director  
Cheryl Harris, Director

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Steve Lenton, General Manager  
Angelica Zepeda, Office Manager  
Beatrice Eslamboly, CV Strategies  
Wesley Whitehead, Shareholder

**1. Call to Order**

President Cook called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Directors at 4:35 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 December 19, 2022**

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

**4. Approve Payment of Bills**

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

**5. Approve Financial Statement**

A motion was made by Director Wilson, seconded by Director Ikeda, to approve the payment of the financial statement as presented. The motion was carried by the board; 5-0. President Cook requested the balance owed on the well at the next meeting.

**6. Public Comment**

Shareholder Wesley Whitehead asked if the wells have sufficient water in light of recent storms. Mr. Lenton stated the reservoirs/wells have are filled at 50% capacity.

**7. Discussion/Action Items: None**

**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 the State is coming out tomorrow. Waiting on one final sampling result, otherwise, all results from sampling are complete. Waiting on VFD repairs.
- C. Office Warehouse: Mr. Steve Lenton advised the board of the new "Future Home of BSMWC" sign posted at the Artesia Place property.

**9. Reports:**

- A. Legislative: None
- B. Finance/Customer Service: None
- C. Water Quality: None
- D. Public Water Agency Group (PWAG): Mr. Lenton informed the board there is a PWAG meeting tomorrow.
- 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 indicating the most frequent visited pages on the website are bill and customer service. The Winter edition of the newsletter is complete and will be released on social media platforms.

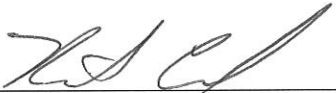
**10. Committee Reports:**

- A. Personnel Committee: None
- B. Finance Committee: None

- C. Real Estate: There was a motion made by Director Struiksma, seconded by Director Ikeda to approve the architect firm Side Studio for the upcoming design of New Office Building Design located at 10145 Artesia Place. Bellflower CA 90706. The motion was approved by the board 3-0-2.
- D. General Managers Comments: Mr. Lenton distributed a handout of the Bellflower-Somerset Mutual Water Company Operating System including all the locations of wells including details of usage for the board to review.

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

12. **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 Struiksma to adjourn the meeting at 5:47 p.m.



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Rick Cook  
Board President

ATTEST:



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Robert Wilson, Secretary