



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

December 18, 2023

4:30 P.M.

Location: Company Office

ROLL CALL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Eric Ikeda, President

Robert Wilson, Vice President

Leo Struiksma, Secretary – Treasurer

Rick Cook, Director

Ioana Gocan, Director

OTHERS PRESENT

Steve Lenton, General Manager

Angelica Zepeda, Office Manager

Beatrice Eslamboly, CV Strategies

Wesley Whitehead, Shareholder

1. Call to Order

President Ikeda called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Directors at 4:25 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 18, 2023

A motion was made by Director Struiksma, seconded by Director Wilson. The motion was approved by the board; 5-0, to approve the December 18, 2023 board meeting minutes.

4. Approve Payment of Bills

A motion was made by Director Cook, seconded by Director Wilson, 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 Cook, seconded by Director Struiksma, to approve the financial statement as presented. The motion was carried by the board; 5-0.

Public Comment

President Ikeda thanked Wesley Whitehead for his interest in applying for the board position and informed him how much the board appreciates his support in attending.

Wesley Whitehead asked if Bellflower Blvd. will be affected with the upcoming railroad project. Mr. Lenton responded this project will impact Bellflower Blvd. Alondra, and Clark.

6. Discussion/Action Items

7. Project Updates

- A. Metrorail: Mr. Lenton informed the board AKM is currently looking into the scope and providing a proposed cost estimate.
- B. Leahy Well: Mr. Lenton informed the board he was waiting for the permit from the state.
- C. Artesia: Mr. Lenton informed the board he was waiting for City plans.

8. Reports

- A. Legislative: None
- B. Finance/Customer Service: Mrs. Zepeda informed the board customer service is reconciling the aging report to collect outstanding fees from past due accounts.
- C. Water Quality: Mr. Lenton informed the board all samples are good.
- D. Public Water Agency Group (PWAG): No meetings due to holiday
- E. Maintenance – Safety: Mr. Lenton informed the board all safety training is up to date.
- F. Public Relations: Beatrice Eslamboly, CV Strategies discussed the PFAS/PFOS education and communicate plan would begin in 2024.

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)

11. **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 Wilson and seconded by Director Struiksmas to adjourn the meeting at 5:30 p.m.



Eric Ikeda
Board President

ATTEST:



Leo Struiksmas, Secretary