



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

February 26, 2024

4:30 P.M.

Location: Company Office

ROLL CALL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Eric Ikeda, President

Robert Wilson, Vice President

Leo Struiksma, Secretary – Treasurer

Ioana Gocan, Director

OTHERS PRESENT

Steve Lenton, General Manager

Angelica Zepeda, Office Manager

Beatrice Eslamboly, CV Strategies

Westley Whitehead, Shareholder

ABSENT

Rick Cook, Director

1. Call to Order

President Ikeda called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Directors at 4:30 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 February 26, 2024

A motion was made by Director Struiksma, seconded by Director Wilson. The motion was approved by the board; 4-0, to approve the February 26, 2024 board meeting minutes.

4. Approve Payment of Bills

A motion was made by Director Wilson, seconded by Director Struiksma, 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 Struiksma, seconded by Director Gocan, to approve the financial statement for January and February as presented. The motion was carried by the board; 4-0.

6. **Public Comment**

Shareholder Wesley Whitehead noted the calendar on the website is not displayed. He also asked if the drought restrictions are still in place. Mr. Steve Lenton informed him that there is no drought restriction in place.

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

8. **Project Updates:**

A. Metrorail: Mr. Lenton informed the board Jim Champa will be reviewing the proposed documents for this project.

B. Leahy Well: Mr. Lenton informed the board he has a meeting with State and AKM Engineering early March to discuss next steps and he would be sharing the update with board at the next meeting.

C. Artesia Place: Director Wilson informed the board he was coordinating with Side Studio for plan resubmittal for proposed landscaping. This would determine when the plans will be presented in the near future at the City Planning Commission meeting.

D. PFAS/PFOS: Mr. Lenton informed the board the plans for water treatment are currently being drawn up by Engineering firm.

9. **Reports:**

A. Legislative: Mr. Lenton informed the board about his recent meeting in Sacramento to discuss SB1330 and request language modification to SB336.

B. Finance/Customer Service: Mrs. Zepeda informed the board Pay by Text is now available as a payment option for all BSMWC customers.

C. Water Quality: Mr. Lenton informed the board all water quality is up to date.

D. Public Water Agency Group (PWAG): Mr. Lenton informed the board there will be a meeting next month.

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

F. Public Relations: Beatrice Eslamboly provided an update regarding the communications report and will facilitate the PFAS/PFOS workshop next board meeting.

10. Committee Reports:

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

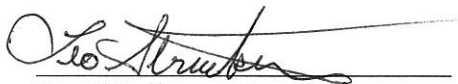
11. Executive Session: (Operations, Personnel, Real Estate, Legal Matters):

A motion was made by Director Struiksma, seconded by Director Wilson, to approve withdrawing \$4 million dollars from BSMWC financials for the purchase of PFOS treatment. This will include 4 trains (8 vessels) at the proposed locations; Leahy, Mapledale and Chicago. The motion was carried by the board; 4-0.

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 Wilson and seconded by Director Struiksma to adjourn the meeting at 5:53 p.m.


Eric Ikeda
Board President

ATTEST:


Leo Struiksma, Secretary