



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

June 17, 2024

4:30 P.M.

Location: Company Office

ROLL CALL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Eric Ikeda, President
Robert Wilson, Vice President
Leo Struiksmma, Secretary – Treasurer
Rick Cook, Director
Ioana Gocan, Director

OTHERS PRESENT

Steve Lenton, General Manager (Remote)
Angelica Zepeda, Office Manager
Ricardo Rodriguez, RR Services (Remote)
Nick Fuchs, RR Services
Beatrice Eslamboly, CV Strategies
Wesley Whitehead, Shareholder

1. Call to Order

President Ikeda called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Directors on June 17th at 4:27 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

3. Approve Minutes of the Board Meeting held May 20, 2024

A motion was made by Director Struiksmma, seconded by Director Cook. The motion was approved by the board; 5-0, to approve the May 20, 2024 board meeting minutes.

4. Approve Payment of Bills

A motion was made by Director Wilson, seconded by Director Cook, 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 Wilson, to further review the financial statement prior to approval. This item will be brought back to the next board meeting. The motion was carried by the board; 5-0.

6. Public Comment

Shareholder Wesley Whitehead inquired if the Company has received regular taxes or supplemental taxes for Artesia. Director Cook let him know we would have an answer at the next meeting.

7. Discussion/Action Items:

A. Draft Budget Presentation FY 24/25 – R.R. Services, Mr. Ricardo Rodriguez presented the Draft Budget for FY 24/25. A motion was made by Director Cook, seconded by Director Struiksma. The motion was approved by the board; 5-0.

B. Water Rights

Mr. Lenton informed the board the City of Bellflower approved the new water rights contract at the rate of 1.25 per acre foot.

8. Project Updates:

A. Metrorail: None

B. Leahy Well: Mr. Lenton informed the board the soil testing for treatment is good and waiting on response from State on permit status.

C. Artesia Place: Mr. Wilson informed the board the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review will be complete mid July and then submit to city for final review.

D. PFAS/PFOS: Mr. Lenton informed the board AKM is working on finalizing the design plans.

9. Reports:

A. Legislative: None

B. Finance/Customer Service: Mrs. Zepeda informed the board, the company is preparing for FY 23/24 annual review coming up in August.

C. Water Quality: Mr. Lenton informed the board all water quality is good

D. Public Water Agency Group (PWAG): Mr. Lenton will provide updates at next meeting

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

F. Public Relations: Beatrice Eslamboly provided the board with the Communications Report to share the latest PFAS, website and social media data

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 Struiksmma and seconded by Director Gocan to adjourn the meeting at 6:08 p.m.


Eric Ikeda
Board President

ATTEST:


Leo Struiksmma, Secretary