



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

August 21, 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 Struiksma, Director

OTHERS PRESENT

Steve Lenton, General Manager

Angelica Zepeda, Office Manager

Beatrice Eslamboly, CV Strategies

Wesley Whitehead, Shareholder

ABSENT

Cheryl Harris, Director (Excused)

1. Call to Order

President Cook 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 August 21, 2023

A motion was made by Director Ikeda, seconded by Director Struiksma. The motion was approved by the board; 4-0, to approve the August 21, 2023 board meeting minutes.

4. Approve Payment of Bills

A motion was made by Director Ikeda, 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

Not Applicable

Public Comment

Shareholder Wesley Whitehead asked if the recent storm caused any damage to our infrastructure. Mr. Steve Lenton replied there was no damage.

6. Discussion/Action Items

A. PFOS Workshop: President Cook, Director Wilson, Director Struiksma, Steve Lenton and Angelica Zepeda attended the WRD PFOS workshop. Staff will be working with AKM to begin design.

7. Project Updates

A. Leahy Well: Mr. Lenton informed the board WRD is hosting DDW at an upcoming meeting on September 7th.

B. Artesia: Mr. Lenton informed the City is preparing comments and expected to receive plans back within the next couple weeks.

8. Reports

A. Legislative: Proposed SB1398 to test for lead and copper in schools.

B. Finance/Customer Service: None

C. Water Quality: Mr. Lenton informed the board all samples are good.

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, CV Strategies announced the metrics related to uptick in social media traffic on all platforms.

9. **Committee Reports**

A. Personnel Committee: None

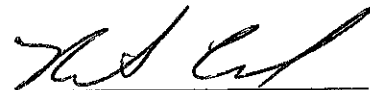
B. Finance Committee: None

C. Real Estate: None

D. General Managers Comments: Mr. Lenton informed the board four candidates will be on ballot for upcoming election.

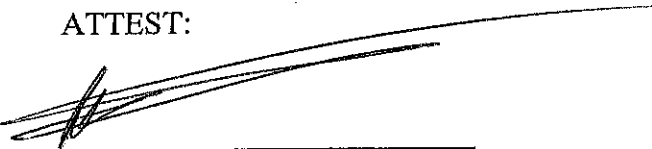
10. **Executive Session** (Operations, Personnel, Real Estate, Legal Matters)

11. **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 Struiksmma and seconded by Director Ikeda to adjourn the meeting at 5:48 p.m.



Rick Cook
President

ATTEST:



Robert Wilson, Secretary