



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

February 18, 2025

4:00 P.M.

Location: Company Office

ROLL CALL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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

OTHERS PRESENT

Steve Lenton, General Manager
Angelica Zepeda, Office Manager
Ian Berg, Starting Line Advisory
Wesley Whitehead, Shareholder

1. Call to Order

President Ikeda called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Directors on February 18th at 4:00 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

A. Mr. Steve Lenton requested item 7. B. Emergency Preparation Fuel - G&M Oil Company

3. Approve Minutes of the Board Meeting held January 21, 2025

A motion was made by Director Struiksmā, seconded by Director Cook. The motion was approved by the board; 5-0 to approve the January 21, 2025 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

Ian Berg of Starting Line Advisory presented the Financial Statements including balance sheets for period of August to November 2024. A motion was made by Director Cook, seconded by Director Struiksma, to approve the Financial Statements from August to November 2024 as presented. The motion was carried by the board; 5-0.

6. Public Comment

Wesley Whitehead suggested the company could pay an annual fee regarding the potential fuel agreement and commented it would be helpful for the board build a relationship with a potential vendor. Vice President Wilson informed the group he was in early communications as such would report back any important information. He included safety is the company's top priority.

7. Discussion/Action Items:

A. 24/25 Budget Review to be presented by Ian Berg, Starting Line Advisor.
A motion was made by Director Cook, seconded by Director Wilson, to approve 24/25 Budget as presented. The motion was carried by the board; 5-0.

B. Mr. Lenton mentioned the need to plan for emergency services in the occasion of a catastrophic event. Director Wilson suggested emergency preparedness with fuel would help the Company maintain operations in providing service to the community. The board unanimously agreed Director Wilson should continue to have conversations with G&M Oil Company.

8. Project Updates:

A. Metrorail: Mr. Lenton informed the board legal council is finalizing the agreement.

B. Artesia Place: Mr. Wilson informed the board this item will be on the agenda for the City of Bellflower March 17th meeting.

C. PFAS/PFOS: Mr. Lenton informed the board there is an upcoming meeting with the State. He is preparing three sites for the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) process.

9. Reports:

C. Legislative: Mr. Lenton informed the board new bills are due by legislation this Friday. He will provide an update in the near future.

- D. Finance/Customer Service: Mrs. Zepeda informed the board, staff is working with vendor, Eagle Aerial on Making Conservation a California Way of Life. The regulation set by the California State Water Resources Control Board.
- E. Water Quality: Mr. Lenton informed the board, Leahy was temporarily offline due to Bac-T plate count sample. New samples have been sent out to the lab for testing. This should be remedied very soon.
- F. Public Water Agency Group (PWAG): Mr. Lenton informed the board regarding the update on recent fires from affected water agencies which provided insight on how the Company can best prepare for emergencies at the meeting January 29, 2025.
- G. Maintenance/Safety: Mr. Lenton informed the board safety training is current.

10. Committee Reports:

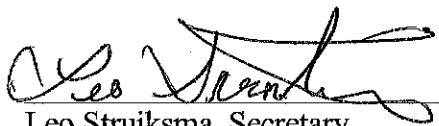
- A. Personnel Committee: None
- B. Finance Committee: None
- C. Real Estate: None
- D. General Managers Comments: None

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 Wilson and seconded by Director Struiksma to adjourn the meeting at 5:17 p.m.


Eric Ikeda
Board President

ATTEST:


Leo Struiksma, Secretary