



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

December 16, 2024

4:00 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

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 December 16th 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

3. Approve Minutes of the Board Meeting held November 18, 2024

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

5. Approve Financial Statement

Ian Berg of Starting Line Advisory presented the Financial Reports including balance sheet as of July 2024. A motion was made by Director Cook, seconded by Director Wilson, to approve the financial statement as presented. The motion was carried by the board; 5-0.

6. Public Comment

Wesley Whitehead requested if the board meeting dates are reposted to website. Staff clarified the Company website does reflect accurate calendar dates.

7. Discussion/Action Items:

A. Water Efficiency

Mr. Lenton informed the board with the new water regulations it is necessary to change current landscape to artificial grass or drought tolerant plants. The board indicated not to use rocks or cactus. A motion was made by Director Struiksma, seconded by Director Wilson, to allow the company to use funds to modify landscape to meet states requirements. The motion was carried by the board; 5-0.

B. 1-4 Dioxane

Mr. Lenton informed the board the state is developing a new MCL for 1-4 Dioxane which will be released at a later date. There are trace amounts found in the water. Additional treatment will be needed. Legal is advising to file a lawsuit. A motion was made by Director Wilson, seconded by Director Cook, to approve the contingency agreement. The motion was carried by the board; 5-0.

8. Project Updates:

A. Metrorail: Mr. Lenton informed the board he has reached out to coordination a meeting between the Company legal counsel and Metro. We will not be signing agreement until this meeting takes place.

B. Leahy Well: Mr. Lenton informed the board the state issued the permit. Operations will begin immediately to utilize this well for many generations.

C. Artesia Place: Mr. Wilson informed the board the City advised the final plan approval is expected in the coming weeks.

D. PFAS/PFOS: Mr. Lenton informed the board the manganese sample will be pulled in the coming weeks which will begin the 6 month review.

9. Reports:

A. Legislative: None

B. Finance/Customer Service: Mrs. Zepeda informed the board that the company Office will not be closed the week of Christmas. The office will be open until

noon on December 24th, closed December 25th, open until noon on January 31st
and closed January 1st.

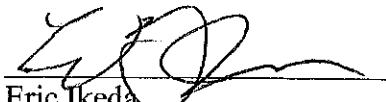
- C. Water Quality: Mr. Lenton informed the board all water quality is good.
- D. Public Water Agency Group (PWAG): None.
- E. Maintenance/Safety: Mr. Lenton informed the board all safety training is up to date.

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 Cook to adjourn the meeting at 5:00 p.m.


Eric Ikeda
Board President

ATTEST:


Leo Struikma, Secretary