MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
THE
LAKESIDE WATER DISTRICT
HELD ON MAY 5, 2020

At the time and place provided by law for the holding of a Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lakeside Water District; to-wit at the meeting place of said Board at 10375 Vine Street, Lakeside, California, at 5:30 p.m. the Board duly convened, the following members present.

Directors: Frank Hilliker  Pete Jenkins  Steve Johnson  Eileen Neumeister  Steve Robak

Secretary: Brett Sanders

1) Call to Order by Board President Johnson.

2) Pledge of Allegiance was led by Director Neumeister.

3) Approval of Agenda. Request by the General Manager to move item 15 up to follow item #6. Motion by Director Hilliker to accept the agenda as modified.

Motion: Hilliker  Second: Robak

Vote:   Ayes  5  Hilliker, Neumeister, Jenkins, Johnson, Robak
              Noes  0
              Abstain  0
              Absent  0

4) Opportunity for Public Comment; None

5) Approve Minutes of the Regular Meeting on April 7, 2020. Motion by Director Robak to approve the minutes as submitted.

Motion: Robak  Second: Jenkins

Vote:   Ayes  5  Hilliker, Neumeister, Jenkins, Johnson, Robak
              Noes  0
              Abstain  0
              Absent  0

6) Approve Minutes of a Special Meeting on April 9, 2020. Motion by Director Neumeister to approve the minutes as submitted.

Motion: Neumeister  Second: Robak
Vote: Ayes  5    Hilliker, Neumeister, Jenkins, Johnson, Robak
Noes  0
Abstain  0
Absent  0

7) Review to Note and File the March 2020 Treasurer’s Report for the District’s annual audit. Reviewed and approved to file for audit.


9) Review to Approve Updated Engagement Agreement for Services from Procopio for the District’s Legal Representation. Motion by Jenkins to approve the engagement agreement as presented.

    Motion:  Jenkins        Second: Robak

    Vote:  Ayes  5    Hilliker, Neumeister, Jenkins, Johnson, Robak
            Noes  0
            Abstain  0
            Absent  0

10) Review to Accept the Appendix to the Memorandum of Understanding Letter Confirming the Postponement of the San Diego River Valley Groundwater Sustainability Plan. Motion by Director Neumeister to approve postponement amendment as submitted.

    Motion:  Neumeister        Second: Hilliker

    Vote:  Ayes  5    Hilliker, Neumeister, Jenkins, Johnson, Robak
            Noes  0
            Abstain  0
            Absent  0

11) 2020 Water Rate Cost of Service Update. General Manager Sanders provided the board an updated copy of the 2020 Update and provided a PowerPoint overview of rate setting requirements and goals for the 2020/2021 budget and for the District going forward.

12) Approve Demands of the Treasurer for April 2020. Motion by Director Neumeister to approve the demands as presented.

    Motion:  Neumeister        Second: Robak

    Vote:  Ayes  5    Hilliker, Neumeister, Jenkins, Johnson, Robak
            Noes  0
Abstain 0
Absent 0

13) CWA Report. Director Hilliker reported that the meeting was done remotely due to WA social distancing guidelines. No committee meetings only a formal board meeting. No closed session. Adopted positions of support for various state legislation. Rainbow and Fallbrook detachment going forward with LAFCO. Budget will be presented one month early if possible.

14) Director’s Report and Ad Hoc Sub-Committees Reports. The Board President established an Ad Hoc committee of himself and Director Neumeister to start the preparation of the General Manager contract discussion.

15) Operations Report. Superintendent Johnze reported that:
   1) Valle Vista, Vista Camino and Serena Rd. PL RPL. Water main has been installed. 15 services remain along with a fire hydrant and a pressure reducing valve assembly remain to be installed. Final asphalt will be a grind and cap on Vista Camino and Serena. New crew and management are now in place.
   2) Castle Court Drive PL RPL. Contractor is complete with pipeline and service laterals. Hydrostatic test is complete, next is the bacteriological testing. Followed by tie-ins. Excellent progress.
   3) COVID-19 Response: Transition from crew isolation and opposite work hours to 8 hour days using staggered starts, lunches and end of workday’s to maintain employee separation and get full production.
   4) Co. of San Diego/ Petite Lane Sidewalk. District crews replaced old meter vault for TDS Middle School.
   Ashwood Sidewalk and Drainage Improvement. District to start fire hydrant relocation work.
   5) 3 water main break, 0 service leak, and 0 fire hydrants hit.
Shear break, corroded repair clamp and failed service saddle.

16) Manager’s Quarterly Report. The General Manager reported on:

   1) COVID-19 – District Response Update

   Operations staff schedules have changed to work full 8 hour days with split starts with ½ crew. Customer service staff is still on split shift with 5 hr. on and 3 hr. admin. Planning to change to 8 hour shifts on May 11. Customer penalty (late) percentage is actually lower than 2019. Our cost to comply with the Governor orders has been minimal. Any delayed payments will eventually be paid back. Outreach has been done by the WA and local media.

   2) SDCWA Regional Conveyance Update: WA is in the middle of the 1st phase to determine feasibility of a pipeline to Imperial County to take IID water directly from IID. Phase A of study is 1.3M, Phase B will be 600K if approved. The board will decide to take an “off-ramp” or move on to phase B in June or July.
3) Update on Morgan Miller Sherman Reservoir Property: Sent letter to Mr. Miller in February to determine if he would grant the property back to the District. His position is that he will not. Working with our attorney to determine the best path forward.

News Articles Enclosed:
CWA news Release: Regions Water Agencies Collaborate to Ensure Water Security
CWA News Release: Regional Water Agencies Boost Efforts to Fight Hunger
California’s Largest Water Suppliers Must Report Usage

17) Closed Session – Closed to the Public:

Consider Real Property Negotiation: Pursuant to Government Code Section; 54956.8 Property: Real Property Consideration for Real Estate Related to Production. APN 382-260-14-00.

Out of closed session Board President Johnson reported nothing to report.

Personnel Exception Per Government Code Section 54957; Employee Performance Evaluation – General Manager.

Out of closed session Board President Johnson reported that the Board unanimously agreed that the General Manager had achieved his goals for FY 19/20 and approved the May 2020 Incentive Compensation in the amount of $7,000.

17) Adjourn; There being no further business the Board adjourned to the next regular meeting on June 2, 2020 at 5:30.

Attest:

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Brett Sanders, Board Secretary                      Steve Johnson
Lakeside Water District                               Board President