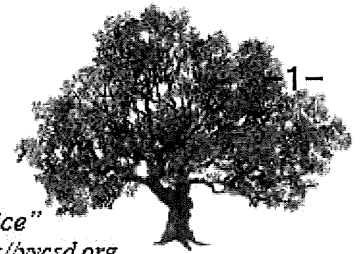


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MINUTES Regular Meeting

August 1, 2023

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by President Brooks who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL: Directors, Brooks, Gonzales, Heuring, and Stassi were present. Director Bumpass participated via teleconference.

OTHERS PRESENT

General Manager Joe Barget, Operations & Maintenance (O&M) Manager Mike Garner, Administrative Services (AS) Manager Cynthia Allen, Finance Administrator Patricia LeCavalier, and three members of the public were present.

3. ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA - None

4. PUBLIC FORUM

President Brooks invited public comments and there were none.

5. OPERATIONS REPORT

O&M Manager Garner reported the District pumped 40.4 million gallons of water in July with an average daily demand of 1,300,000 gallons. This is 6 percent less than last July.

There was no rain in July keeping the calendar year total at 19.42 inches.

The District's well levels for July were 1B-142', 3A-136', and 3B-136'.

O&M Manager Garner said Santa Barbara County contracted Granite Construction to grind and pave Aldebaran Avenue last month. The manholes and valve boxes were raised to the District's specifications.

Motor 2 at Lift Station #1 had a bearing go out and is currently out for repairs. The field crew had three service line repairs in July and there were no sanitary sewer overflows.

To conclude his report O&M Manager Garner and field crew member Ben Quinlan will be attending the Tri-State Conference in Las Vegas next week. Jeff Cole and O&M Manager Garner are meeting with Pureflow Filtration this Friday in Whittier regarding the District's filter project.

6. ADMINISTRATION REPORT

AS Manager Allen reported the Santa Barbara County Regional Water Efficiency Program (RWEF) received four entries for the WaterWise Garden Contest. The residents at 78 Aldebaran Avenue in Vandenberg Village won this year's contest receiving an engraved boulder to display. VVCSD and other members contribute funds to RWEF for the garden contest, the Shows That Teach, the high school video contest, and television commercials which have the WaterWiseSB branding and message.

To date, six customers received over \$2,400 through the Low Income Household Water Assistance Program. The program is funded by a federal grant through the California Department of Community Services and Development. This program was scheduled to end on September 30. However, this week, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services extended the program and the state is working with their providers to implement the extension. The state is also working on a state-funded program.

To conclude her report, AS Manager Allen completed two reports requested by a couple of the Directors and were given to General Manager Barget for review. In the next few months, she hopes to meet with the Legal/Personnel and Finance/Budget Committees to go over the results.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Minutes from the Regular Meeting on June 6, 2023
- B. Treasurer Report
 - 1) Financial Statements
 - 2) Disbursements through July 31, 2023
 - 3) Schedule of Investments
- C. Water Pumped vs Sold, FY 2022-2023
- D. Water Pumped vs Sold, FY 1990-2023

Motion by Director Stassi, seconded by Director Heuring to accept the consent calendar as presented.

Roll call vote

Ayes: Directors Brooks, Bumpass, Heuring, Gonzales, Stassi
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

8. ACTION ITEM

- A. APN 097-371-072

Motion by Director Brooks, seconded by Director Stassi to issue an Intent to Serve Letter to Constellation Land Development, LLC, for a proposed project to divide, rezone, and develop Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 097-371-072, for an extended-stay hotel and multi-unit residences.

Roll call vote

Ayes: Directors Brooks, Bumpass, Heuring, Gonzales, Stassi
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

B. Drought

Motion by Director Gonzales, seconded by Director Heuring to terminate the October 2022 Water Restrictions and approve the August 2023 Water Conservation Flyer.

Roll call vote:

Ayes: Directors Brooks, Bumpass, Heuring, Gonzales, Stassi

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

C. Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA)

Motion by Director Gonzales, seconded by Director Bumpass to vote for Cathy Green for President, Ernesto A. Avilla for Vice President, and vote for the ACWA Region 5 nominating committee's recommended slate.

Roll call vote:

Ayes: Directors Brooks, Bumpass, Heuring, Gonzales, Stassi

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

D. Cost of Living Adjustment

There was some discussion among the Directors and no action was taken.

E. General Manager

Administrative Services Manager Carol Reynolds of Mission Hills Community Services District wanted to acknowledge General Manager Barget, thanking him for his mentorship and support to their District.

Motion by Director Bumpass, seconded by Director Gonzales to accept Joe Barget's resignation as of August 31.

Roll call vote:

Ayes: Directors Brooks, Bumpass, Heuring, Gonzales, Stassi
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Motion by Director Stassi, seconded by Director Brooks to approve the recruitment brochure and recruitment plan and timeline with minor changes.

Roll call vote:

Ayes: Directors Brooks, Bumpass, Heuring, Stassi
Noes: Director Gonzales
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Motion by Director Stassi, seconded by Director Heuring to appoint Cynthia Allen as acting General Manager from September 1 to October 14 and appoint Michael Garner as acting General Manager from October 15 to November 30.

Roll call vote:

Ayes: Directors Brooks, Bumpass, Heuring, Stassi
Noes: None
Abstain: Director Gonzales
Absent: None

9. REPORTS

A. Committees

The Water/Wastewater Committee met on July 25 and discussed the recommendations for Items A and B on this agenda.

Director Stassi attended the Western Management Area Groundwater Sustainability Agency meeting and a Santa Barbara County CSDA dinner meeting in July.

B. District Representatives to External Agencies - None

C. President

President Brooks expressed disappointment over General Manager Barget's resignation but said it was expected.

D. General Manager

General Manager Barget said he will be organizing his files and finishing up a couple of tasks before the end of the month.

10. INFORMATIONAL CORRESPONDENCE

US Drought Monitor: California, May 30, 2023

11. DIRECTORS FORUM

Director Brooks read The 13 Rules by Secretary Powell.

Director Bumpass thanked Joe for his years with the District.

12. ADJOURN

President Brooks declared the meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Attest:

Signed:

Stephanie Garner
Secretary, Board of Directors

Christopher Brooks
President, Board of Directors