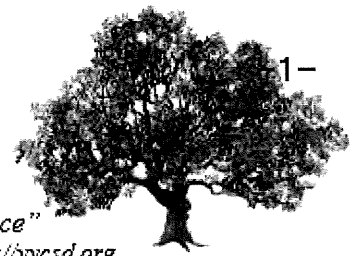


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MINUTES Regular Meeting

October 4, 2022

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Brooks who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. **ROLL CALL:** Directors Brooks, Redmon, and Stassi were present. Directors Bumpass and Gonzales participated via Zoom video conference.

OTHERS PRESENT

General Manager Joe Barget and Director-elect Steve Heuring were present. Administrative Services (AS) Manager Cynthia Allen, Board Secretary Stephanie Garner, and Patrick Kennedy participated via Zoom video conference.

3. ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

General Manager Barget asked President Brooks to add the Directors Forum to the agenda.

4. PUBLIC FORUM

President Brooks invited public comments and there were none.

5. OPERATIONS REPORT

O&M Manager Garner and the field crew were working at Lift Station 1 so General Manager Barget gave a brief report. Early that morning an equipment failure at Lift Station #1 resulted in a Category 3 sanitary sewer

overflow (SSO). The field crew constructed a makeshift earth berm to contain the spill and prevent it from reaching nearby Davis Creek. General Manager Barget and O&M Manager Garner met with Dong Chon and Julie Moore from the Lompoc Regional Wastewater Reclamation Plant to discuss Time Schedule Order (TSO) R3-2022-0005 they received from the Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board this year. The TSO requires VVCSO to perform five quarterly tests of treated water within our distribution system for boron, sulfates, and hexavalent chromium.

The field crew, working under Santa Barbara County Flood Control's FY 2022-23 Annual Routine Maintenance Plan, will be removing silt and vegetation from Davis Creek from October 6-14.

The District received 2.37 inches of rain in September.

O&M Manager Garner made a brief appearance to update to the Board on Lift Station 1. He believes a severe hammer caused a coupling to separate, creating a leak inside the wet well. Speed's in Santa Maria will be on location all night to pump the wet well. Approximately 200 gallons of sewage spilled.

6. ADMINISTRATION REPORT

AS Manager Allen reported staff amended the District's contract with Miller Landscaping to include haul-away service for Lot 54. Chuck Klein will continue maintenance and create piles for Miller Landscaping to haul away every Thursday beginning this week.

AS Manager Allen met with Director-elect Heuring last week and reviewed the District's Emergency Response Plan, the current budget, and the fiscal year 2021 audit. He was given copies of the Code of Ordinances and the Employee Handbook.

To conclude her report, AS Manager Allen is working on the District's application to renew the Special District Leadership Foundation District Transparency Certificate of Excellence. However, the application cannot be completed until all Directors complete Ethics and Sexual Harassment Prevention Training as required by law. If any Directors are unsure of their

compliance, contact Stephanie and she can give you the information. Both classes are available as self-paced online courses.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Minutes from the Regular Meeting on September 6, 2022

B. Treasurer Report

1) Financial Statements

2) Disbursements through September 30, 2022

3) Public Official Reimbursement Report

C. Remote Teleconference Meetings

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

Roll Call:

Ayes: Directors Brooks, Bumpass, Gonzales, Redmon, and Stassi

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

8. ACTION ITEMS

A. **Sustainable Ground Water Management Act (SGMA)**

Motion by Director Brooks, seconded by Director Bumpass to approve the draft multiparty consulting agreement with GSI Water Solutions, Inc., for SGMA related services and authorize the Board President to sign it, provided there are no changes.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Directors Brooks, Bumpass, Gonzales, Redmon, and Stassi

Noes: None

Abstain: None
Absent: None

B. Iron & Manganese Filter

General Manager Barget introduced Patrick Kennedy, President of Pureflow Filtration, who reviewed the history and operation of the filter. Mr. Kennedy believes this pilot study could help the District reduce chemical expenses, eliminate unnecessary equipment, and simplify operations.

Motion by Director Gonzales, seconded by Director Redmon to accept a \$6,500 quote from Pureflow Filtration Division to perform a pilot study on the iron & manganese filter and authorize the General Manager to sign it.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Directors Brooks, Bumpass, Gonzales, Redmon, and Stassi

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

C. Capital Improvement Plan

There was a lot of discussion among the Directors about the appropriate timespan for the plan, 10 versus 20 years. Director Redmon suggested considering the following for the plan: replacing (rather than rehabilitating) old pumps with newer energy-efficient pumps, security enhancements, electric vehicle charging stations, solar energy, and replacing roofs and heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) systems in the office and shop. All the Directors appreciated the work and effort that went into the plan.

Motion by Director Stassi, seconded by Director Redmon to refer the plan to the Water/Wastewater Committee for their review and recommendation to the board.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Directors Brooks, Bumpass, Gonzales, Redmon, and Stassi

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

9. REPORTS

A. Committees

There were no committee meetings.

B. District Representatives to External Agencies

Nothing to report.

C. President

President Brooks said he participated in the environmental and safety briefing at the Floradale Sewer Relocation Project with staff and field crew. He believes if any of the Directors would like to go to the project, they would be able to also have a safety briefing. Lastly, he wanted the Directors to think about electing officers for the next year.

D. General Manager

General Manager Barget received two important draft documents for review: the Municipal Services Review (MSR) from the Santa Barbara County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) and a biological resources assessment from Althouse and Meade. He will be taking a vacation from October 12-17.

10. INFORMATIONAL CORRESPONDENCE

US Drought Monitor: California, September 27, 2022

11. DIRECTORS FORUM

Director Redmon attended three virtual ACWA Continuing Legal Education Workshops in September.

12. CLOSED SESSION

The Board convened in a closed session at 8:35 p.m. to discuss employee compensation and the General Manager's working relationship with the Board.

13. OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened for an open session at 9:16 p.m. Board President Brooks announced that no action was taken during the closed session.

14. ADJOURN

President Brooks declared the meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

Attest:

Signed:

Stephanie Garner
Secretary, Board of Directors

Christopher Brooks
President, Board of Directors