



MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
District Board Room, 2890 Mosquito Road, Placerville, California
January 22, 2018 — 9:00 A.M.

Board of Directors

Michael Raffety—Division 3
President

Alan Day—Division 5
Vice President

George Osborne—Division 1
Director

Greg Prada—Division 2
Director

Dale Coco, MD—Division 4
Director

Executive Staff

Jim Abercrombie
General Manager

Brian D. Poulsen, Jr.
General Counsel

Jennifer Sullivan
Clerk to the Board

Jesse Saich
Communications

Brian Mueller
Engineering

Mark Price
Finance

Jose Perez
Human Resources

Tim Ranstrom
Information Technology

Margaret Washko
Operations

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CALL TO ORDER

President Raffety called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

Roll Call Board

Present: Directors Osborne, Prada, Raffety, Coco and Day

Staff

Present: General Manager Abercrombie, General Counsel Poulsen and Clerk to the Board Sullivan

Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

President Raffety led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence dedicated “to our troops currently working without pay” and read a Winston Churchill quote: “Every man should ask himself each day whether he is not too readily accepting negative solutions.”

ADOPT AGENDA

ACTION: Agenda was adopted.

MOTION PASSED

Ayes: Directors Coco, Osborne, Prada, Raffety and Day

COMMUNICATIONS

General Manager’s Employee Recognition

Awards and Recognitions

- a) Welcome to the District, Jennifer Ehrhart. Jennifer has been hired to the position of Finance Assistant I in the Utility Billing Division.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Dr. Ali Ghorbanzadeh, El Dorado Hills

COMMUNICATIONS

General Manager

Staff Reports and Updates

None

Clerk to the Board

None

Board of Directors

Director Osborne commented on a recent meeting he attended with the Apple Hill Growers Association. He also mentioned a visit to Sly Park with EID Recreation Manager Greg Hawkins and a forester to view the impact of the tree beetle infestation.

Director Coco commented on his meeting with a legislative analyst from the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) to discuss some of SWRCB’s proposed regulations and legislation.

Directors Raffety and Day requested an update on SWRCB’s proposed legislation, when appropriate.

APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR

Director Coco seconded the motion to approve the Consent Calendar but momentarily absent during the vote.

ACTION: Consent Calendar was approved.

MOTION PASSED

Ayes: Directors Prada, Osborne, Raffety and Day

Absent: Director Coco

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Finance (Pasquarello)

Ratification of EID General Warrant Register for the period ending January 9, 2018, and Board and Employee Expense Reimbursements for this period.

ACTION: Option 1: Ratified the EID General Warrant Register as submitted to comply with Section 24600 of the Water Code of the State of California. Received and filed Board and Employee Expense Reimbursements.

MOTION PASSED

Ayes: Directors Prada, Osborne, Raffety and Day

Absent: Director Coco

2. Clerk to the Board (Sullivan)

Approval of the minutes of the January 8, 2018 regular meeting of the Board of Directors.

ACTION: Option 1: Approved as submitted.

MOTION PASSED

Ayes: Directors Prada, Osborne, Raffety and Day

Absent: Director Coco

3. Operations / Engineering (Washko/Mueller)

Consideration to ratify Resolution No. 2017-014 to maintain the emergency declaration as a result of ongoing storm-related activities.

ACTION: Option 1: Ratified Resolution No. 2017-014 (*thus maintaining the emergency declaration*).

MOTION PASSED

Ayes: Directors Prada, Osborne, Raffety and Day

Absent: Director Coco

4. Finance (Pasquarello)

Funding approval for District Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) Projects.

ACTION: Option 1: Authorized funding for the CIP projects as requested in the amount of \$85,000.

MOTION PASSED

Ayes: Directors Prada, Osborne, Raffety and Day

Absent: Director Coco

5. Finance (Pasquarello)

Consideration to adopt resolutions certifying signatures on the District's checking accounts.

ACTION: Option 1: Adopted Resolution Nos. 2018-001 and 2018-002, certifying signatures for the Bank of America and El Dorado Savings Bank checking accounts.

MOTION PASSED

Ayes: Directors Prada, Osborne, Raffety and Day

Absent: Director Coco

6. Engineering (Corcoran)

Consideration to award a contract to All Pro Backflow Inc. in the not-to-exceed amount of \$171,727.50, for 2018 backflow prevention assembly testing services with the option to extend the contract annually through 2020.

ACTION: Option 1: Awarded a contract to All Pro Backflow Inc. in the not-to-exceed amount of \$171,727.50, for 2018 backflow prevention assembly testing services with the option to extend the contract annually through 2020.

MOTION PASSED

Ayes: Directors Prada, Osborne, Raffety and Day

Absent: Director Coco

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

DIRECTOR ITEM

7. Board of Directors (Coco)

Consideration to agendize an action item for the February 12, 2018 regular Board meeting to consider a funding change for the low-income assistance program for District residential wastewater customers only.

ACTION: Option 1: Agendized an action item for the February 12, 2018 regular Board meeting to consider a funding change for the low-income assistance program for District residential wastewater customers only.

MOTION PASSED

Ayes: Directors Coco, Osborne, Prada, Raffety and Day

ACTION ITEMS

8. Finance / Engineering (Price/Mueller)

Consideration of a 10% reduction in the District's wastewater rates.

Clerk to the Board Sullivan reported that the District received 6 emails relating to this item. Copies of the emails were provided to each Board member.

Public Comment: Tom Heflin, Camino

MOTION: Main motion by Director Osborne and seconded by Director Raffety to approve option 3 and take no action.

MOTION FAILED

Ayes: Directors Osborne and Raffety

Noes: Directors Prada, Coco and Day

MOTION: Substitute Motion by Director Day and seconded by Director Prada to approve option 1 and reduce District's wastewater rates by 10% in 2018.

MOTION FAILED

Ayes: Directors Day and Prada

Noes: Directors Osborne, Raffety and Coco

MOTION: Main motion by Director Coco and seconded by Director Day to approve option 2 and take other action as directed by the Board and directed staff to bring an action item for Board consideration showing the difference between the elimination of the approved 3% wastewater rate increase and a decrease in the ongoing 3% wastewater rate increase in an updated 5-year financial plan during an upcoming regular Board meeting.

MOTION: Substitute motion by Director Raffety and seconded by Director Osborne to approve option 2 and take other action as directed by the Board and bring an action item for Board consideration that shows a 2% wastewater rate increase in an updated 5-year financial plan during an upcoming regular Board meeting.

MOTION FAILED

Ayes: Directors Osborne and Raffety

Noes: Directors Prada, Coco and Day

ACTION: Option 2: Took other action as directed by the Board.

Directed staff to bring an action item for Board consideration showing the difference between the elimination of the approved 3% wastewater rate increase and a decrease in the ongoing 3% wastewater rate increase in an updated 5-year financial plan during an upcoming regular Board meeting.

MOTION PASSED

Ayes: Directors Coco, Day and Osborne

Noes: Directors Prada and Raffety

CLOSED SESSION

A. Conference with General Counsel –Anticipated Litigation (Poulsen)

Significant Exposure to Litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2), (e)(3), & (e)(5): Statement threatening litigation regarding Claim NO. 17-1796, made by Eric Benink on January 5, 2018

ACTION: The Board met and conferred with counsel. On a motion by Director Coco, seconded by Director Osborne and approved on a 4-0 vote with Director Prada abstaining from the vote, the Board authorized the General Counsel to retain outside counsel to represent the District in the litigation referenced and authorized funding for up to \$250,000, toward the subject litigation.

REVIEW OF ASSIGNMENTS

Director Osborne requested that staff bring an item to the Board to address the beetle infestation at the Sly Park Recreation area.

ADJOURNMENT

President Raffety adjourned the meeting at 11:13 A.M.

Michael Raffety
Board President
EL DORADO IRRIGATION DISTRICT

ATTEST:

Jennifer Sullivan
Clerk to the Board
EL DORADO IRRIGATION DISTRICT

Approved: _____