

Board of Directors  
**Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m.**  
**Thursday, January 11, 2018**  
Santa Margarita Community Room  
2 Civic Center Drive, Scotts Valley, California  
**Minutes**

**1. Convene Meeting**

1.1. Call to Order and Roll Call

President Perri called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Santa Margarita Community Room, 2 Civic Center Drive, Scotts Valley, California.

Present:

Directors

David T. Hodgin  
Wade Leishman  
Chris Perri  
Danny Reber  
Ruth Stiles

Staff

Robert Bosso  
Piret Harmon  
David McNair  
Donna Paul

Guests

Mark Adato  
Bill Ekwall  
Ned Hogan  
Bruce McPherson  
Robert Romero  
David Young

1.2. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

President Perri led the pledge of allegiance and Vice President Reber provided the invocation.

1.3. Closed Session Report

There was no closed session report.

1.4. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

1.5. Oral Communications

There were no oral communications.

**2. Administrative Items**

2.1. Approval of Minutes – December 14, 2017, Regular Board Meeting

MOTION: Hodgin/Leishman to approve the minutes of the December 14, 2017, regular Board meeting. The motion carried by voice vote with Director Stiles abstaining.

2.2. Presentation

2.2.1 Monterey Bay Community Power

The Future is Carbon Free Energy

Presented by Marc Adato, Community Outreach & Events Coordinator, Monterey

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Bay Community Power. [Click here](#) to view the presentation.

2.3. Committee Meeting Reports

2.3.1 Executive & Public Affairs Committee 12/19/17

President Perri reported that compensation will be discussed at the Board retreat and that Miller Maxfield will be here to discuss our approach to public relations and potential improvements.

2.3.2 Finance & Personnel Committee

There was no Finance and Personnel Committee Report.

2.3.3 Water Resources & Engineering Committee 12/19/17

President Perri reported that a leak adjustment appeal request was discussed and that the Committee recommends the Board grant an exception and authorize a leak adjustment in this case. Future committee agendas will have a standing item for leak adjustment appeals along with a report on leak adjustments granted.

2.4. Committee Assignments 2018

Executive & Public Affairs:	Perri, Reber, and Stiles (alternate)
Finance & Personnel:	Hodgin, Perri, and Leishman (alternate)
Resources & Engineering:	Stiles, Leishman, and Reber (alternate)

2.5. Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency (SMGWA) Board Meeting

There was no Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency Board Meeting.

**3. Consent**

There were no items on consent.

**4. Public Hearings**

There were public hearings scheduled.

**5. General Business Items**

5.1. Leak Adjustment Appeal

President Perri provided the staff report.

Ned Hogan addressed the Board on this item.

**MOTION:** Reber/Stiles to grant this customer a one-time exception to the five-year rule and approve a leak adjustment credit of 75%. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

5.2. Rescind Outdated Resolution

General Manager Harmon provided the staff report.

The check signing authority was discussed briefly and may be reviewed by the Finance and Personnel Committee at a future date.

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MOTION: Hodgkin/Stiles to adopt Resolution No. 01-18 rescinding Resolution No. 11-06. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

**6. Staff Reports**

6.1. District Counsel

District Counsel Bosso reported that a couple of new water rate cases are in the appellate courts and the California Supreme Court has not taken any action on the Proposition 218 cases.

6.2. General Manager

The General Manager's report is appended.

6.3. Finance

The Finance report was accepted without comment.

6.4. Operations

Operations Manager McNair reported that work continues on the repairs to Bethany Booster Station. Equipment installation has been completed in-house by staff. The lowest main installation quote is \$119,000 and staff is working with the vendor to reduce costs. The replacement well (7A) project continues to have problems. The most recent being the need to re-bore the well because the diameter was not big enough. The casing went in today and it should be ready for pressure testing next week. The Drillers expect to finish the first week of February. It will still be a couple of months before the project is complete. The neighbor's patience is fading.

6.4.1 Demand, Production and Rainfall

The demand, production and rainfall information was accepted without comment.

6.5. Administration

The May 10, 2018, Board Meeting will be moved to May 17, 2018, to accommodate the ACWA Spring conference. The September meeting may need to be rescheduled.

**7. Individual Directors Reports**

President Perri reported that he drove by the well site was quite impressed by the size of the drill rig.

Director Hodgkin reported that he will be attending ACWA Board Meeting on February 1-2, 2018 in Sacramento.

**8. Written Communications and Correspondence**

There were no written communications or correspondence.

**9. Community Relations**

There were no community relations items.

**10. Closed Session**

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There was no closed session.

**11. Report on Closed Session and Additional Items**

There was no report on closed session or addition items.

**12. Adjournment**

MOTION: Reber/Stiles to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 p.m.

Submitted:

DocuSigned by:  
*Donna Paul*  
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Donna Paul, Asst. to General Manager

Approved:

DocuSigned by:  
*Chris Perri*  
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Chris Perri, President

Attest:

DocuSigned by:  
*Piret Harmon*  
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Piret Harmon, General Manager

## STAFF REPORT – General Items

Scotts Valley Water District

**Date:** January 11, 2018  
**To:** Board of Directors  
**From:** General Manager

1. Laura Brown, General Manager of Soquel Creek Water District in 1995-2012 passed away on December 23, 2017. She was diagnosed in 2012 with a particularly aggressive and incurable form of cancer but continued leading a high quality and productive life despite the odds. After a long career in public service at the City of Santa Cruz, City of Monterey and SqCWD, she became a consultant with HydroMetrics WRI working with water agencies on groundwater management and policy issues. She will be sorely missed by all of us in the water industry.
2. The California Department of Water Resources (DWR) snow survey conducted on January 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Sierra Nevada found little snowpack. Measurements at Phillips Station revealed a snow water equivalent of 0.4 inches, 3% of the average of 11.3 inches measured since 1964. Snow water equivalent (SWE) is the depth of water that theoretically would result if the entire snowpack melted instantaneously. On average, the snowpack supplies about 30% of California water needs.  
California's exceptionally high precipitation last winter and spring has resulted in above-average storage in 154 reservoirs tracked by the department – estimated 24.1 million acre-feet (MAF) or 110% of the 21.9 MAF average for the end of the year.
3. California Assembly Bill 746 (AB 746) requiring all community water systems that serve a school site of a local educational agency with a building construction before 2010, to test for lead in the potable water system of the school site on or before July 1, 2019. Section 1162777 was added to the Health and Safety Code (HSC 1162777) outlining these requirements, which became effective on January 1, 2018.  
SVWD conducted the lead testing at the public schools in our service area in response to the Division of Drinking Water domestic water supply permit amendment in 2017. Therefore, the public schools are considered to have met the requirements of HSC 1162777 and no further testing is required, although we will be working with the private schools to ensure their compliance as well.
4. The regional educational event, Connecting the Drops – Working Together for Water, hosted by the County of Santa Cruz, Regional Water Management Foundation, and the Santa Cruz Local Agency Formation Commission, is taking place on February 1<sup>st</sup> 6:30-9pm at New Brighton Middle School.  
Keynote speaker Taryn Ravazzini from DWR, information Stations on various water topics and panel discussion on groundwater management and watershed planning involving representatives from different water and natural resource agencies in the County.