

Scotts Valley Water District
Board of Directors
Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, October 12, 2017
Santa Margarita Community Room
2 Civic Center Drive, Scotts Valley, California
Minutes

I. Convene Meeting

I.1. Call to Order and Roll Call

President Stiles 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

Staff

Guests

David T. Hodgin

Robert Bosso

Bill Maxfield

Wade Leishman

Piret Harmon

Rachel Torres

Chris Perri

David McNair

Danny Reber

Donna Paul

Ruth Stiles

I.2. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

Director Hodgin led the pledge and Director Reber provided the invocation.

I.3. Closed Session Report

There was no report on closed session.

I.4. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

I.5. Oral Communications

There were no oral communications.

2. Administrative Items

2.1. Approval of Minutes – September 20, 2017, Regular Board Meetings

MOTION: Hodgin / Perri to approve the minutes of the September 20, 2017, regular Board Meeting. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

2.2. Presentation

Water Technology Alliance California Fact Finding Trips: Water Resource Management and Smart Water Distribution in Denmark

President Stiles, General Manager Harmon, and Operations Manager McNair

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reported on the fact-finding tours of Denmark. [Click here](#) to view the presentation.

2.3 Committee Meeting Reports

Water Resources and Engineering Committee Reports 09/26/17

In addition to the written report, Director Perri, General Manager Harmon, and Operations Manager McNair provided additional information on the Opterra Energy services proposal.

2.4 Rate Increase Implementation

General Manager Harmon provided the staff report.

The Board discussed the matter and directed staff to provide further information for consideration at the next Board Meeting regarding the need for the December 2017 rate increase.

3. Consent

There were no items on the consent agenda.

4. Public Hearings

No public hearings were scheduled.

5. General Business Items

5.1. Adding Detail 4A to Standard Specifications

Operations Manager McNair provided the staff report on detail 4A combination 2-inch fire and domestic service installation and General Manager Harmon the fee on fees and charges associated with Detail 4A.

MOTION: Perri / Leishman to 1) approve adding Detail 4A to the Scotts Valley Water District Standard Specifications; and 2) adopt Resolution No. 15-17 establishing a New Connection Fee and a Basic Meter Charge for Detail 4A. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

6. Reports

6.1. District Counsel

Legal Counsel Bosso reported that there is no new information on the Proposition 218 cases.

6.2. General Manager

The General Managers report is appended to the minutes.

6.3. Finance

The Finance Report was accepted without comment.

6.4. Operations

Operations Manager McNair reported on replacement Well 7 A: site work is

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complete as of today; rebar will be delivered on Monday for retaining wall; he met on site with the well driller, hydrogeologist, engineer and nearby neighbors to work out logistics; using the Lennar site next door for staging and work continues to secure State approval of the permit amendment. Bethan Booster Station: A contractor has been secured to work on the building and still looking for a contractor to install 150 ft. of pipe. Developments Projects: Lennar is securing a site for winter and grading continues on the City Ventures project.

7. Individual Directors Reports

Director Hodgkin reported that he will attend ACWA Region Chairs conference call on 10/17/17 and JPIA Executive Committee meeting on 10/30 – 10/31/17 in Roseville. He also reported on the Region 5 Event held in Goleta last month that included General Manager Harmon as a panelist.

Director Reber invited everyone to attend a breakfast event hosted by the Chamber Government Affairs Committee on 10/20/17 at 8:30 a.m. at Kiss Catering. The event will include a panel discussion by all local agencies.

Director Leishman reported that he attended the Groundwater 101 and SGMA on 10/05/17 at Simpkins Swim Center. Director Hodgkin and President Stiles also attended.

8. Written Communications and Correspondence

There were no written communications or correspondence.

9. Community Relations

There were no community relations items.

10. Closed Session

There was no closed session.

11. Report on Closed Session and Additional Items

There was no report on closed session or additional items.

12. Adjournment

At 9:09 p.m., the meeting adjourned. The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled for November 9, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. in the Santa Margarita Community Room, 2 Civic Center Drive, Scotts Valley, CA 95066.

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Donna Paul, Asst. to the General Manager

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Ruth Stiles, President

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Piret Harmon, General Manager

STAFF REPORT – GENERAL ITEMS

Scotts Valley Water District

Date: October 12, 2017

To: Board of Directors

From: General Manager

1. According to California Department of Water Resources, water year 2017 (WY 2017) did not break records as the state's wettest year. The US Bureau of Reclamation reports that as of September 30, the last day of WY 2017, the Central Valley Project's six key reservoirs held carryover storage of 8.9 million acre feet (AF) – 4 million more than a year ago and 6 million more than in 2015. As for snowpack, May 1 electronic readings showed a statewide snow water equivalent of 42.5 inches, 196 percent of the average for that date, just short of the 201 percent measured May 1, 1998. WY 2017 rainfall in Scotts Valley was 80.14 inches or 193 percent of the long-term average.
2. A proposal to tax California's drinking water (SB623 by Sen. Bill Monning) stalled in the Legislature. On September 1, the Assembly Appropriations Committee referred the bill to the Assembly Rules Committee as a two-year bill. This was an "all hands on deck" effort for ACWA and ACWA member agencies. SB623 is expected to continue to be top priority legislative issue for ACWA in 2018.
3. 2017 ACWA Region elections ballots have been counted and results are in. Region 5 (which includes Scotts Valley Water District) Board for the two-year term starting January 1, 2018, is comprised of the following individuals:
 - Bill Rosen, Director, Goleta Water District (Chair)
 - David Hodgin, Director, Scotts Valley Water District (Vice Chair)
 - Polly Holcombe, President, Carpinteria Valley Water District
 - Frank Mellon, Director, East Bay Municipal Utility District
 - Anson Moran, President, San Francisco Public Utilities Commission
 - Sarah Palmer, Director, Zone 7 Water Agency
 - John Varela, Board Chair, Santa Clara Valley Water District
4. District has hired Amy Poncato as the Administrative Office Assistant