



Minutes

Approved August 25, 2021

Regular Board Meeting
Via Teleconference
Meeting Date: August 11, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Coats led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS

PRESENT

Directors: Goodrich, Smith, Carrillo, Coats, Morales

ABSENT

Directors: None

STAFF

John Mura, General Manager/CEO; Brian Tompkins, Chief Financial Officer; Jeff Noelte, Director of Engineering & Operations; Kelly Malloy, Director of Strategic Services; Kerrie Bryan, Director of Administrative Services; Justine Hendricksen, District Clerk; Shayla Antrim, Sr. Administrative Assistant

LEGAL COUNSEL

Jean Cihigoyenette

GUESTS

Members of the Public

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairman Smith declared the public participation section of the meeting at 5:32 p.m.

There being no written or verbal comments, the public participation section was closed.

1. AGENDA

- a. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Director Coats, seconded by Vice Chairman Goodrich, that the Board approve the agenda as submitted.

The motion Carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Goodrich, Smith, Carrillo, Coats, Morales

Noes: None

Absent: None

2. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

- a. Approve July 14, 2021 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- b. Approve July 28, 2021 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- c. Approve Directors' Fees and Expenses for July 2021

A motion was made by Director Carrillo, seconded by Vice Chairman Goodrich, that the Board approve the Consent Calendar as submitted.

The motion Carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Goodrich, Smith, Carrillo, Coats, Morales

Noes: None

Absent: None

3. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS

- a. Consider Adoption of Resolution 2021.13 Updating the Schedule of Water and Wastewater Rates and Charges for a Reduced AMI Opt-Out Fee

The Chief Financial Officer provided information regarding customers that chose to opt-out of the District's AMI meter installation program. He stated that there are nine customers that chose to opt-out of the District's AMI program and they were notified that an opt-out fee would be implemented once the installation project was complete. He added that an opt-out fee was adopted in December 2019. Due to staff mailing a

final opt-out letter to remaining customers, communication began between customers and staff which led to a reevaluation of the opt-out fee. He stated that upon further calculation and review by staff, the opt-out fee was reduced to \$13 per month. He stated that customers have the option to 'opt-in" and transition their meter to AMI, eliminating the monthly fee.

A motion was made by Director Morales, seconded by Vice Chairman Goodrich, that the Board adopt Resolution 2021.13 as submitted.

The motion Carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Goodrich, Smith, Carrillo, Coats, Morales

Noes: None

Absent: None

4. **REPORTS**

a. Board of Directors' Reports

Director Coats reported on the following: August 3 he participated in the San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District Board meeting; August 9 he discussed District business with the General Manager/CEO; and August 9 he participated in the Association of San Bernardino County Special Districts Board meeting.

Director Carrillo reported on the following: August 4 he participated in the City of San Bernardino City Council meeting; and August 10 he discussed District business with the General Manager/CEO.

Director Morales reported on the following: August 3 he participated in the San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District Board meeting; August 10 he participated in the City of San Bernardino Board of Water Commissioners meeting; and August 10 he participated in the Finance & Human Resources Committee meeting.

Vice Chairman Goodrich reported on the following: August 6 he participated in a meeting with Senator Ochoa Bogh and staff, where a District update and a virtual tour of the Sterling Natural Resource Center was provided; and August 10 he participated in the Finance & Human Resources Committee meeting.

Chairman Smith reported on the following: August 6 he participated in a meeting with Senator Ochoa Bogh and staff, and also provided a District

update and a virtual tour of the Sterling Natural Resource Center.

b. General Manager/CEO Report

The General Manager/CEO reported on the following:

The recently launched Facebook campaign promoting water quality efforts has reached over 2,000 residents within the District's service area, with 58 people clicking the link to view the website. The ad encourages residents to visit our Water Quality page to learn about their drinking water.

This month, residents will receive a bill insert with information on how they can elevate their water use efficiency efforts indoors. The mailer also includes statistics on how water can be saved by using WaterSense labeled products.

The Legislative & Public Outreach Committee will be holding a virtual meeting on August 12, at 2:00pm.

The Community Advisory Commission will be holding a virtual meeting on August 19th at 6:00pm.

The District will continue to hold meetings via teleconference until further notice.

c. Legal Counsel Report

No report at this time.

d. Board of Directors' Comments

Director Morales offered his appreciation to staff for keeping meetings running smoothly.

Chairman Smith thanked staff for their work on tonight's Board meeting.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 5:53 p.m.



John Mura, Secretary



David E. Smith, Board President