

AGENDA ITEM III.1a

Regular Board Meeting Approved Minutes June 17, 2024

District Attendees

Mark Dolby
Randy Marx
Board Member
Michael McRae
Board Member
Misha Sarkovich
Tom R. Gray
Shawn Huckaby
Chi Ha-Ly
Vice President
Board Member
Board Member
General Manager
Operations Manager
Finance Manager

Paul Siebensohn Technical Services Manager

Other Attendees

Paul Helliker SJWD General Manager Ted Costa SJWD Board Member

Ali Cooper Visitor

Leon Corcos Corcos Property LLC

Joe McCusky Visitor

Absent

Chris Petersen President

AGENDA ITEMS

I. CALL TO ORDER

• Vice President Dolby called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

- General Manager Gray announced that there is a public comment form on the back of the room for visitors, if needed.
- Visitor Corcos commented there were cones blocking FOWD parking lot over the Memorial Day weekend, despite being told parking lot is available after 5:00 p.m. He requested to have the towing signs removed and an investigation on the cone blocking incident.
- Visitor Corcos commented that a transparency and oversight committee is long overdue. He suggested creating Ad-hoc committees with Board Members to discuss

rate increases, budget, capital improvements and construction before voting takes place. He announced the intent to recall of two Board Members, Director McRae, and President Petersen.

- Visitor Cooper commented on the importance of a citizen oversight committee to allow participatory budget practices. He would like more involvement than a budget workshop. This would allow community participation rather than simply attending a FOWD staff presentation. He would like to request an Ad-hoc committee that works with the Board leadership. He also commented on the recall petitions for Director McRae and President Petersen.
- Director Dolby stated that he and President Petersen thought having more community involvement was a good idea, when this was brought up at the last Board Meeting.
- Visitor McCusky introduced himself and expressed his concern with FOWD driving heavy duty equipment down Main Street.
- General Manager Gray stated he would report back on this item at the next Board Meeting.
- Visitor Corcos inquired when the parking issue will be addressed.
- Director Dolby stated that the Board will discuss this topic.

III. CONSENT CALENDAR

The following consent calendar items were considered and acted upon as follows:

- 1. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Regular Board Meeting of May 20, 2024
- 2. Accept and File Treasurer's Report for the month of May 2024
- 3. File Investment Report for the month of April 2024
- 4. Accept and File Financial Expense Report for the month of May 2024
- 5. Approval of Warrants
- 6. Approval of Cal-Card Statements for the month of May 2024
- 7. Approval of Board Expense Report for the month of May 2024

Director McRae moved to approve the consent calendar as presented.

Director Sarkovich seconded the motion.

Motion carried with the following votes: Dolby – aye, Marx – aye, McRae – aye, and Sarkovich – aye.

Absent: President Petersen

IV. PRESENTATIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE

1. None

V. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS: OLD BUSINESS

1. Update and discussion on the Transmission Pipeline Main Break at Pershing Avenue and Chestnut Avenue

- General Manager Gray and Operations Manager Huckaby provided an update on the T-Main Break.
- Director McRae inquired about exercising the valve before restoring the pipeline to service.
- Operations Manager Huckaby stated that FOWD has protocols in place before putting the pipeline back into service.

2. Discussion and possible action on the selection of a consultant to provide professional design services for the Northridge Well Project

- General Manager Gray shared staff's recommendation to execute the agreement for providing professional design services required for this project with KASL Consulting Engineers.
- General Manager Gray addressed questions from the Board.
- Director Sarkovich expressed his concerns that were alleviated after having a
 discussion with General Manager Gray last month. However, he would like to go
 on record that he did not like the approach FOWD used to select the consultant
 based on qualifications. He would like to revisit FOWD's approach once another
 consultant selection is needed.

Director Marx moved to approve the execution of the agreement for KASL Consulting Engineers to provide professional design services for the Northridge Well Project as stated.

Director Sarkovich seconded the motion.

Motion carried with the following votes: Dolby – aye, Marx – aye, McRae – aye, and Sarkovich – aye.

Absent: President Petersen

3. Update and discussion on the New York Project

• General Manager Gray provided an overview and addressed questions from the Board.

4. Discussion and possible action on the New York Water Main Replacement Project Phase I

• General Manager Gray provided an overview and addressed questions from the Board.

Director McRae moved to enter into an agreement with Flowline Contractors, Inc. for the construction of the New York Main Replacement Project Phase I at a cost of \$996,056 plus a ten percent contingency of \$99,606 for the project budget.

Director Marx seconded the motion.

Motion carried with the following votes: Dolby – aye, Marx – aye, McRae – aye, and Sarkovich – aye.

Absent: President Petersen

5. Discussion and possible action on reconciling the main replacement agreement between the FOWD and FORPD

- General Manager Gray presented staff's recommendation to authorize him to finalize negotiations to split the outstanding project cost balance of \$106,706 equally between FOWD and FORPD or seek to nullify the executed agreement and bill the FORPD for 100% of the project cost.
- Director McRae requested that staff come back to the Board prior to declaring the agreement is cancelled, in the event that is needed.

Director Sarkovich moved to approve General Manager Gray to finalize the agreement and split the cost 50/50 between FOWD and FORPD.

Vice President Dolby seconded the motion.

Motion carried with the following votes: Dolby – aye, Marx – aye, McRae – aye, and Sarkovich – aye.

Absent: President Petersen

6. Update and discussion on the proposed merger of the SJWD and SSWD

- General Manager Gray provided an overview of the merger.
- SJWD General Manager Helliker stated they are having a joint meeting at SSWD.
- SJWD General Manager Helliker addressed questions from the Board.
- SJWD Board Director Costa commented that the idea of merging was brought to the table, and it will be discussed.

VI. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS: NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Discussion on FOWD Water Supply for the month of May 2024
 - Technical Services Manager Siebensohn provided a summary of the water supply report.

VII. UPCOMING EVENTS

- 1. June 18, 2024 / SJWD Finance Committee Meeting / SJWD Office
- 2. June 24, 2024 / SJWD Engineering Committee Meeting / SJWD Office
- 3. June 25, 2024 / SJWD Joint Board Meeting with SSWD on proposed merger / SJWD Office
- 4. June 26 / SJWD Board Meeting / SJWD Office

VIII. REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

- 1. Sacramento Groundwater Authority (SGA)
 - None.
- 2. Regional Water Authority (RWA)
 - None.
- 3. Sacramento Water Forum
 - General Manager Gray provided an overview.
- 4. Other
 - None.

IX. DIRECTORS' REPORTS & COMMENTS

- 1. Budget Committee (Sarkovich, Dolby)
 - None.
- 2. Technical Advisory Committee (Marx, Petersen)
 - President Petersen and Director Marx met.
- 3. Capital Improvement Committee (Petersen, Dolby)
 - None.
- 4. Personnel Committee (McRae, Dolby)
 - None.
- 5. Public Relations Committee (McRae, Dolby)
 - None.
- 6. FOWD and SJWD 2x2 Ad-Hoc Committee (McRae, Petersen)
 - None.
- 7. FOWD and CWD 2x2 Ad-Hoc Committee (McRae, Marx)
 - None.
- 8. Corporate Yard Ad-Hoc Committee (Sarkovich, Petersen)
 - None.

X. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

- 1. Maintenance Work Report
 - Report provided.
- 2. Capital Projects Status Report
 - Report provided.

3. Authorizations of Additional Funding

• Report provided.

4. Water Transfer Status Report

• None.

5. Claims Against District

Report provided.

6. Employee Update

• General Manager Gray provided employee update regarding the hire of a Grade 1 Operator and a summer student intern.

7. Water Issues – Update on Regional Involvement

• None.

8. Other

• None.

XI. PUBLIC COMMENT

• None.

Vice President Dolby closed the open session meeting at 7:26 p.m.

Vice President Dolby opened the closed session meeting at 7:35 p.m.

XII. CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTIONS 54954 AND 54956

- 1. Conference with legal counsel on existing litigation; Government Code Sections 54954.5 and 54956.9; Citrus Heights Water District & Fair Oaks Water District v. San Juan Water District
- 2. Conference on Anticipated Litigation; Government Code Section 54956.9(d) two cases

Vice President Dolby closed the closed session meeting at 8:43 p.m.

Vice President Dolby reopened the meeting to the public at 8:43 p.m.

XIII. REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

• None.

XIV. PUBLIC COMMENT

• None.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Board, Vice President Dolby adjourned the meeting at 8:43 p.m.

The Board approved the preceding minutes on July 15, 2024

Tom R. Gray

General Manager/Board Secretary

7-16-2024 Date