AGENDA ITEM III.1a

Regular Board Meeting Approved Minutes May 9, 2022

District Attendees

Michael McRae Board Vice President

Chris Petersen Board Member
Misha Sarkovich Board Member
Tom R. Gray General Manager
Shawn Huckaby Operations Manager
Chi Ha-Ly Finance Manager

Paul Siebensohn Technical Services Manager

Other Attendees

Paul Helliker San Juan Water District General Manager

George Babcock Visitor
Kala Student
Jason Student

Absent

Randy Marx Board President Gary Page Board Director

AGENDA ITEMS

I. CALL TO ORDER

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

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

- General Manager Gray mentioned there are two students present.
- Kala and Jason introduced themselves.
- SJWD General Manager Helliker stated the environmental document pertaining to the water transfer closes for public comment on May 23, 2022. SJWD Board Meeting has been moved to May 31, 2022, to allow time to review public comments. Petition for the water transfer was sent last week. SJWD is working hard on the stream flow depletion factor and trying not to go over 13%.
- Board Vice President McRae inquired if there is anything needed from FOWD to assist with the transfer.
- SJWD General Manager Helliker responded there is nothing else needed pertaining to

the transfer. The next step is to finalize the agreement between the organizations.

- General Manager Gray mentioned that there are a few factors that will need the Board's consideration (i.e.: depletion factor of 25%, conjunctive use of pumping, impact on FOWD if pumping is required for Hinkle Reservoir).
- Director Petersen inquired if the Department of Water Resources (DWR) requires 25% for all transfers out of Sacramento Valley; 25% seems high. He questioned if this is a new rule.
- SJWD General Manager Helliker replied it is not a rule but a number that is negotiated between the buyers and sellers.
- Director Petersen inquired if Sacramento Groundwater Authority (SGA) staff is providing technical support in the negotiations and discussions.
- SJWD General Manager Helliker replied SGA is leading the results.
- SJWD General Manager Helliker mentioned that the Hinkle Reservoir Project is not expected to require any water contribution from FOWD.

III. OPEN PUBLIC HEARING

- 1. 2022 Public Health Goal report- Public Hearing held to accept and respond to public comments on the report in accordance with California Health and Safety Code Section 116470(c) requirements
 - Technical Services Manager Siebensohn provided an overview of the Public Health Goal report.
 - Technical Services Manager Siebensohn mentioned the recommendation from staff is to receive and respond to public comments. The Public Health Goal report is prepared by FOWD and is required every three years.
 - General Manager Gray mentioned FOWD received no public comments via mail or email.

IV. CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING

V. CONSENT CALENDAR

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

- 1. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Regular Board Meeting of April 11, 2022
- 2. Accept and File Treasurer's Report for the month of April 2022
- 3. Accept and File Investment Report for the month of March 2022
- 4. Accept and File Financial Expense Reports for the month of April 2022
- 5. Approval of Warrants
- 6. Approval of Cal-Card Statements for the month of April 2022

7. Approval of Board Expense Report for the month of April 2022

Board Vice President McRae moved to approve the consent calendar as presented.

Director Sarkovich seconded the motion.

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

Absent: Directors Marx and Page

VI. PRESENTATION & CORRESPONDENCE

1. None.

VII. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS: OLD BUSINESS

1. Update and discussion on the FOWD Corporation Yard Redevelopment Project

- General Manager Gray stated Gutierrez & Associates (G & A) will be completing the design development within the next 60 days.
- General Manager Gray stated G & A requested June 14, 2022, to meet and present the design and obtain input from the Board. G & A will give FOWD thirty (30) days to provide feedback.
- General Manager Gray proposed having the meeting a week prior to June 14, 2022, or the first week of July 2022.

2. Update and discussion on FOWD Groundwater Well Projects

- General Manager Gray provided an update on the Skyway Project construction submittals and review. Tentative schedule for completion of the Project is March 27, 2023.
- General Manager Gray reported that the New York Well Project is nearing completion for the bidding process. Applications and deposits to Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD) for transmittal removal and installation have been submitted. Tentative schedule for completion of the project is October 2023.

3. Update and discussion on an agreement between FOWD and San Juan Unified School District for the Northridge Elementary School Soccer Field Project

- General Manager Gray provided an overview of the agreement between FOWD and San Juan Unified School District for the Northridge Elementary School Soccer Field Project. He stated agreement is currently being formalized.
- Board Vice President McRae thanked General Manager Gray for the letter sent to San Juan Unified School District.

4. Update on FOWD participation in the November 2022 General Election

• General Manager Gray provided an update of the November 2022 election and stated FOWD is on schedule to participate in the November 2022 election.

VIII. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS: NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion and possible action on FOWD Board approval of the 2022 Public Health Goal Report

Director Sarkovich moved to approve the 2022 Public Health Goal Report.

Director Petersen seconded the motion.

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

Absent: Directors Marx and Page

2. Update and discussion on FOWD Water Supply for the month of April 2022

- Technical Services Manager Siebensohn provided a summary of the water supply report.
- Director Petersen suggested a chart be added to the report reflecting amounts of cumulative water delivered by month.

3. Discussion and possible action on sponsoring the Fair Oaks Harvest Festival (UC Master Gardener Program)

- Board Vice President McRae mentioned FOWD has sponsored this event in the past. This will be the first year the event will be in person again after COVID restrictions.
- General Manager Gray summarized FOWD's sponsorship contributions. The recommendation from staff is for FOWD to sponsor \$500 and request an educational table onsite to promote the Fair Oaks Water District Conservation Program.
- Board Vice Present McRae introduced the representative from UCCE Master Gardener.
- The UCCE Master Gardener representative provided a brief overview of the Fair Oaks Harvest Festival. The event will take place on August 6, 2022.

Board Vice President McRae moved to approve the \$500 sponsorship.

Director Petersen seconded the motion.

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

Absent: Directors Marx and Page

4. Discussion and possible action on moving the FOWD's Regular Board Meeting to third Monday of the month

• General Manager Gray stated that moving the meeting will allow staff sufficient time to prepare reports and reconciliations. There is currently a very short window to prepare these reports.

Director Sarkovich moved to approve the proposed meeting schedule.

Director Petersen seconded the motion.

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

Absent: Directors Marx and Page

5. Discussion and possible action on additional funding for 2022

- Financial Manager Ha-Ly recommended that the Board authorize the transfer of \$28,000 from the contingency fund to cover 2022 expenses.
- Director Petersen noticed FOWD is currently below budget on expenses by 13.36%, which exceeds the \$28,000 requested. He asked the reason for taking money from the contingency fund.
- General Manager Gray explained that for transparency purposes between the Board and staff, a system was developed to ask the Board for any specific item that needs more funding. In this case, the budget item on paving requires more funding. This avoids taking funds from other budget items.
- Director Sarkovich added that allowing more funding per budget item assists in budgeting more precisely for the following year.

Board Vice President McRae moved to authorize General Manager Gray to transfer \$28,000 to cover 2022 expenses, as presented.

Director Sarkovich seconded the motion.

Motion carried with the following votes: McRae - aye, Petersen - aye and Sarkovich - aye.

Absent: Directors Marx and Page

IX. UPCOMING EVENTS

- 1. May 18, 2022 FORPD Meeting at FOWD
 - Information only.
- 2. May 24, 2022 SJWD Finance Meeting at SJWD
 - Information only.
- 3. May 31, 2022 SJWD Board Meeting at SJWD
 - Information only.

X. REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

1. Sacramento Groundwater Authority (SGA)

• General Manager Gray stated a Special Meeting took place last week.

2. Regional Water Authority (RWA)

- General Manager Gray stated the board meeting is this week to discuss the upcoming budget.
- Director Petersen and General Manager Gray will be attending this meeting.

3. Sacramento Water Forum

• General Manager Gray stated there is a renegotiation of the Water Forum Agreement with many ongoing meetings taking place.

4. Other

• None.

XI. DIRECTORS' REPORTS & COMMENTS

- 1. Budget Committee (Sarkovich, Page)
 - A meeting will take place the first week of June.
- 2. Technical Advisory Committee (Marx, McRae)
 - None.
- 3. Capital Improvement Committee (Sarkovich, Page)
 - None.
- 4. Personnel Committee (McRae, Petersen)
 - None.
- 5. Public Relations Committee (Page, McRae)
 - None.
- 6. Wholesale Water Agreement Ad–Hoc Committee (McRae, Petersen)
 - None.
- 7. Carmichael Water District Ad-Hoc Committee (Marx, McRae)
 - None.
- 8. Other
 - None.

XII. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

1. Maintenance Work Report

• Report provided, no discussion.

2. Capital Projects Status Reports

• General Manager Gray responded to Board Members as required.

3. Authorizations of Additional Funding

• Report provided, no discussion.

4. Water Transfer Status Report

• None.

5. Claims Against District

• Report provided, no discussion.

6. Employee Update

• None

7. Water Issues – Update on Regional Involvement

None.

8. Other

• General Manager Gray provided an update on FOWD's public outreach.

XIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

- SJWD General Manager Helliker mentioned there is a Special SGA Board Meeting on May 17, 2022, to discuss the proposed merger with SCGA.
- SJWD General Manager Helliker mentioned that regulations on water supply will be coming out later this month to implement the governor's executive order.
- SJWD General Manager Helliker discussed penalty measures against water districts that do not meet their use limitation.
- General Manager Gray mentioned FOWD has a history of active conjunctive use.
- Visitor Babcock inquired about the large meters and the billing of individual apartments.
- General Manager Gray responded FOWD does not bill individual apartments; the bill is sent to the property owner. There are no meters on individual apartments. In general, FOWD only meters property owners.

Vice President McRae closed the open session meeting at 7:58 p.m.

Vice President McRae opened the closed session meeting at 8:10 p.m.

XIV. CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956

1. Conference on Anticipated Litigation (Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9) – one case

Vice President McRae closed the closed session meeting at 9:10 p.m.

Vice President McRae reopened the meeting to the public at 9:10 p.m.

XV. REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

• None.

XVI. PUBLIC COMMENT

With no further business to come before the Board, Board Vice President McRae adjourned the meeting at 9:10 p.m.

The Board approved the preceding minutes on June 20, 2022		
Tom R. Gray General Manager/Board Secretary	Date	