



District Attendees

Randy Marx	Board President
Michael McRae	Board Vice President
Chris Petersen	Board Member
Misha Sarkovich	Board Member
Shawn Huckaby	Operations Manager
Chi Ha-Ly	Finance Manager
Paul Siebensohn	Technical Services Manager

Other Attendees

Absent

AGENDA ITEMS

I. CALL TO ORDER

- Board President Marx called the meeting to order at 6:29 p.m.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

- None.

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 9, 2022
2. Accept and File Treasurer's Report for the month of May 2022
 - Board Vice President McRae inquired about the air compressor rental fee of \$18,264.57.
 - Finance Manager Ha-Ly responded this was a purchase, not a rental fee.
 - Board Vice President McRae inquired about the Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD) \$5,000 permit.
 - Technical Services Manager Siebensohn responded this was for the New York Well new transport and installation.

3. Accept and File Investment Report for the month of April 2022
 - Board Vice President McRae inquired if the amounts in parenthesis listed under “Salaries & Benefits Capitalized” are subtracted.
 - Finance Manager Ha-Ly responded that 100% of salaries and benefits paid to staff are included in the operating expense summary to inform the Board of the total salaries and benefits paid to FOWD’s employees. The salaries and benefits for capital projects are subtracted as shown under the line *Salaries & Benefits Capitalized* line item and reported under individual projects listed on the *Project Status Report*.
 - Director Sarkovich inquired about the meaning of “Salaries & Benefits to Damages.”
 - Finance Manager Ha-Ly responded the these are salaries and benefits being deducted from gross salaries and benefits, and reported under the damages line-item *Reimbursable Expenses Damages (RED) Projects*.
 - Director Petersen inquired about the \$27,841 listed under “Water Supply - Energy Costs, Wells.” He requested clarification if this was the energy it took to produce the amount of groundwater in Technical Services Manager Siebensohn’s report for the month of May.
 - Finance Manager Ha-Ly responded that it was.
 - Director Sarkovich stated that year-to-date FOWD has only spent half of the budgeted amount.
4. Accept and File Financial Expense Reports for the month of May 2022
5. Approval of Warrants
6. Approval of Cal-Card Statements for the month of May 2022
7. Approval of Board Expense Report for the month of May 2022

Director Sarkovich moved to approve the consent calendar as presented.

Board Vice President McRae seconded the motion.

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

IV. PRESENTATION & CORRESPONDENCE

1. None.

V. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS: OLD BUSINESS

1. **Update and discussion on the FOWD Corporation Yard Redevelopment Project**
 - Technical Services Manager Siebensohn stated that Gutierrez & Associates (G & A) are in the process of design development and there is a meeting scheduled for July 6, 2022, at 11 a.m.

- Director Sarkovich inquired if G & A will be presenting the design to the Board in July, as previously discussed.
- Technical Services Manager Siebensohn responded it is pending General Manager Gray's review and approval.
- Director Sarkovich stated that many Board Members will be out in July, and it would be best to have it in August. However, if FOWD staff is satisfied with the design, there is no need to involve the Board. His only requirement is for the new building to have a uniform resemblance to the current building.
- The Board agreed to cancel the July 18, 2022, Regular Board Meeting.

2. Update and discussion on FOWD Groundwater Well Projects

- Technical Services Manager Siebensohn reported that the Skyway Project construction began on June 6, 2022.
- Technical Services Manager Siebensohn reported that the New York Well Project plans and specifications are ready. They are currently undergoing a peer review.
- Director Sarkovich inquired if New York Well is still on track to be completed by October 2023.
- Technical Services Manager Siebensohn responded that the window for the projected completion date is getting tighter.

VI. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS: NEW BUSINESS

1. Update and discussion on FOWD Water Supply for the month of May 2022

- Technical Services Manager Siebensohn provided a summary of the water supply report.

2. Discussion and possible action on the 2023 FOWD Budget and Prop 218 Schedule

- Finance Manager Ha-Ly stated that with no July Regular Board Meeting, the only change on the Prop 218 schedule would be an update to the Regular Board Meeting date to show August.
- Director Sarkovich recommended changing the Budget Committee Meeting to a Special Board Meeting (August 8-12, 2022) with the Regular Board Meeting taking place on August 15, 2022.

Director Sarkovich moved to approve the proposed amended 2023 FOWD Budget and Prop 218 Schedule.

Board Vice President McRae seconded the motion.

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

3. Discussion and possible action on the 2022 Salary Ranges for all Board approved positions

- Finance Manager Ha-Ly stated that staff recommends the Board approve the 2022 salary ranges for all Board approved positions.
- Board Vice President McRae requested a copy of the old salary schedule for comparison purposes.

Board Vice President McRae moved to approve the 2022 salary ranges for all Board approved positions.

Director Sarkovich seconded the motion.

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

VII. UPCOMING EVENTS

1. June 15, 2022 – FORPD Meeting at FOWD
 - Information only.

VIII. REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

1. Sacramento Groundwater Authority (SGA)

- Board President Marx stated he has attended the meetings. The potential merger between SGA and Sacramento Central Groundwater Authority (SCGA) has been a very controversial topic of discussion. If the merger takes place, it will be in a year or so.

2. Regional Water Authority (RWA)

- Board President Marx stated he was recently asked to provide input for James Peifer’s performance review.

3. Sacramento Water Forum

- None.

4. Other

- Director Petersen stated that San Juan Water District (SJWD) held a meeting with the wholesale customer agencies to brief them on the water masterplan update. The draft report will be released soon. Staff will have an opportunity to review it and provide comments to SJWD. Director Petersen attended this meeting and he suggested FOWD provide written comments to SJWD.
- Director Petersen and Director Sarkovich discussed that SJWD is reviewing the following options:

- ✓ Groundwater storage.
 - ✓ An agreement with wholesale wells, like FOWD, to pump back water into the SJWD system.
 - ✓ Creating a Sacramento Suburban Water District (SSWD) partnership to install new wells and use the CTP pump back station for supply and injection.
- Vice President McRae inquired about the reasoning behind SJWD's need for storage.
 - Director Petersen responded it is to deal with the uncertain climate future, such as a drought.
 - Director Petersen mentioned that given that there will be no Board meeting in July, he is concerned FOWD will miss the window to provide SJWD with written comments.
 - Technical Services Manager Siebensohn responded a Technical Advisory Committee Meeting can be coordinated.

IX. DIRECTORS' REPORTS & COMMENTS

1. Budget Committee – (Sarkovich, Page)

- None.

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.

X. GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT

1. Maintenance Work Report

- None.

2. Capital Projects Status Reports

- Report provided. Technical Services Manager Siebensohn stated an outreach flyer for the California Avenue & Temescal Street Water Main Relocation Project has been posted on FOWD’s website and distributed to residents.

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

- None.

XI. PUBLIC COMMENT

- None.

With no further business to come before the Board, Board President Marx adjourned the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

The Board approved the preceding minutes on August 15, 2022

Tom R. Gray
General Manager/Board Secretary

Date