

**PURISSIMA HILLS WATER DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

AUGUST 13, 2014 MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** President Kremen called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 pm in the District office.

Directors Present: Directors Gary Kremen, Ernest Solomon, Robert N. Anderson, Brian Holtz, and Steve Jordan (teleconference)

Staff Present: Patrick D. Walter, General Manager, Joubin Pakpour, Engineer; David Gehrig, Attorney; Hanson Bridgett; and Raylene Collins, Office Manager/District Secretary

2. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC** Attending were Peggy Jacobs, a member of the Santa Clara Valley Chapter of the Native Plant Society, and Town of Los Altos Hills Councilman and customer Gary Waldeck. Ms. Jacobs described the purpose of the Native Plant Society and notified the Board about the upcoming symposium to be held Sept 20, 2014 at Foothill College. The symposium will educate and encourage attendees to replace high water use landscapes with native plants. The Society is asking for event sponsorship from the District.

3. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

It was moved by Director Anderson, seconded by Director Holtz, to approve the Consent Calendar. Motion approved unanimously - voice vote.

4. **RESOLUTION 2014-07 IMPLEMENTING STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD EMERGENCY WATER CONSERVATION REGULATIONS RESTRICTING OUTDOOR IRRIGATION**

It was moved by Director Anderson, seconded by Director Holtz, to approve Resolution 2014-07. Motion approved - roll call vote.

AYES: Directors Solomon, Anderson, Kremen

NOES: Directors Jordan and Holtz

ABSENT: None

5. **ENGINEER'S REPORT**

A. **NEARY TANK UTILIZATION PROJECT PHASE I and II.** The Engineer summarized the responses of the mailed performance survey of residents affected by the construction of Phase I. The responses were highly positive. He also reported that Phase II of the project is complete except for punch list items and the water in the tank has passed bacteriological tests and will be tested for volatile organic compounds.

B. **PAGE MILL TANK RETROFIT.** The tank was pulled out of service for a week to test the reliability of supply from a service connection with the City of Palo Alto that will be used when the tank is being renovated. The system worked well.

6. **MANAGER'S REPORT**

A. **CUSTOMER ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM- DROPCOUNTER APP** The customer account data base from our billing system is being uploaded onto the Badger website for the AMI pilot program.

B. **WATER TANK SITES** Nothing to report

C. **FIELD REPORT**

- Repaired two leaks on the Seton property that were both full circle cracks on an 8" cast iron pipe. One of the main breaks was on a main 5 feet from the foundation of a house.
- Repaired a cross county main on Rhus Ridge with 3 feet of new pipe, a new 45 degree fitting, and an isolation valve. The leak occurred when main moved on the hill and pulled out of the 45 degree fitting.
- Repaired a leak on Paseo Del Roble when a 2" hole blew out of an 8" ductile iron pipe.
- Repaired a leak on Foothill Lane that was a half circle crack on a 6" cast iron pipe.
- Installed an 1-1/2" service and 2" backflow on St Francis Dr.

7. **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

A. **BAY AREA WATER SUPPLY AND CONSERVATION AGENCY (BAWSCA), ACWA/JPIA, AND OTHER AGENCY ISSUES.** Director Anderson distributed graphs showing cumulative precipitation, snowpack levels, and Hetch Hetchy reservoir storage levels.

B. **DIRECTORS' COMMENTS** Directors Solomon and Holtz noted the staff's quick and efficient response to reports of leaks and other wasteful water incidents.

C. **AGENDA ITEMS FOR SEPTEMBER 10, 2014 BOARD MEETING**
Customer Communications

8. **ADJOURNMENT** It was moved by Director Anderson, seconded by Director Solomon to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m. The motion was unanimously approved – voice vote.

Respectfully submitted



Raylene Collins, District Secretary

Approved: 

Gary Kremen, President