

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

December 17, 2014 Minutes

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

Directors Present: President Ernest Solomon, Directors Robert N. Anderson, Steve Jordan, and Peter Evans

Staff Present: Patrick D. Walter, General Manager; Gary Ushiro, Engineer; David Gehrig, Attorney, Hanson Bridgett; and Ray Collins, Office Manager/District Secretary

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2. **OATH OF OFFICE:** The District Secretary administered the Oath of Office for newly appointed Director, Peter Evans.
3. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC_** None
4. **CONSENT CALENDAR**
It was moved by Director Anderson, seconded by Director Evans, to approve the Consent Calendar. Motion approved unanimously– voice vote.
5. **WATER TANKS - WATER QUALITY STATUS** Dan Askenaizer, Consultant with Water Quality Treatment Solutions (WQTS), provided a webinar presentation addressing water quality, and the basics of a water treatment system using chloramines versus a system using chlorine, and how to avoid nitrification problems.
6. **STATEWIDE NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES)** Discussed under Item 5.
7. **PAGE MILL TANK COST SHARING AGREEMENT WITH LOS ALTOS HILLS COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT FOR SEISMIC RETROFIT** The General Manager recommended that the Board approve the final agreement. It was moved by Director Anderson, seconded by Director Evans to accept and sign the Agreement. Motion approved – roll call vote.
AYES: Directors Jordan, Anderson, Solomon, and Evans
NOES: None
ABSENT: Director Holtz

8. APPROVAL TO INSTALL 275LF OF 8" DIP ON STONEBROOK COURT

DUE TO A MAIN LEAK The General Manager explained that the location of the broken 6" cast iron pipe was 20 feet off the street and surrounded by trees and other utilities. Due to the expense of the repair and extensive property damage, A new water main was proposed to be installed in the street. Three quotes were presented from underground construction companies for the installation and tie-in of 275 linear feet of 8" ductile iron pipe. The low bid was from Stoloski and Gonzalez for \$61,360.00. It was moved by Director Anderson, seconded by Director Evans, to accept the quote. Motion approved roll-call vote:

AYES: Directors Jordan, Anderson, Solomon, and Evans
NOES: None
ABSENT: Director Holtz

9. LEGAL UPDATE: CHANGE IN PUBLIC WORKS LAWS

PURSUANT TO SB 854 The Attorney summarized the new legal requirements under SB 854, a new law effective January 1, 2015, requiring contractors to register annually and submit certified payroll records with the California Department of Industrial Relations (DIR). The goal of the new law is centralize labor compliance monitoring efforts within the DIR. Going forward, the District may only accept bids on public works projects from those contractors that are registered with the DIR. In addition, the District must file an electronic PWC100 form with the DIR for each public works project awarded by the District.

10. ENGINEER'S REPORT

- A. PAGE MILL TANK RETROFIT** The Engineer summarized the three contracts necessary for the design of the Page Mill Tank Retrofit project: 1) Cornerstone Structural Engineering contract for \$26,500.00 that was approved at the November 2014 meeting, 2) BAGG Engineers contract for \$6,890.00; and 3) TRA Environmental contract for \$8,740.00.

PHWD will contract directly with Cornerstone and BAGG Engineers while TRA Environmental will be a subconsultant to Pakpour Consulting Group. The Engineer provided signed agreements by Cornerstone and BAGG to be signed by PHWD after the meeting. Copies of the agreements were reviewed by the Board in the previous Board meeting.

- B. WATER RATE COMPARISON RESEARCH** The Engineer provided multiple charts and a spreadsheet comparing the cost of the District's water bills with other agencies in the area. The 2014 charts showed: 1) for residential median winter usage of 10 ccf, PHWD ranked 3rd lowest; 2) for residential average annual usage of 30 ccf, PHWD ranked third lowest; 3) for residential median summer usage of 45 ccf; PHWD ranked 3rd lowest; and 4) residential high summer usage of 100 ccf, PHWD ranked 6th lowest. Other Districts are increasing their readiness to serve charges. As a comparison, Calwater San Carlos increased their service charge from \$15 to \$21.65, Calwater Atherton increased their service charge from \$21.30 to \$29.40, and Hillsborough increased their service charge from \$40 to \$45. PHWD did not increase their readiness to serve charge last year and remained at \$15.

11. MANAGER'S REPORT

A. FIELD REPORT

- Repaired a main leak on an 8" CI with a full circle crack on Arastradero
- Plans to replace a broken a 6" CI on Stonebrook
- Repaired a main leak from a split on a 6" CI on Old Page Mill Rd.
- Altamont Tank 1, Elena Tank, and McCann I and II were cleaned.
- Air release valve upgrades were installed at Beatrice, Arastradero (2), Vogue, and Alejandro,
- A valve was installed on a cross county pipe on Sherlock.

B. REPORT ON ACWA/JPIA CONFERENCE The District Secretary reported she attended the Fall ACWA/JPIA conference held December 1-5, 2014 in San Diego, CA. She noted that the sessions offered high quality, knowledgeable speakers.

C. CUSTOMER COMMUNICATIONS None to report

12. DIRECTORS' REPORT

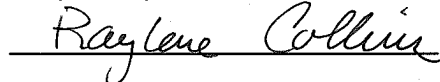
A. BAY AREA WATER SUPPLY AND CONSERVATION AGENCY (BAWSCA), ACWA/JPIA, AND OTHER AGENCY ISSUES Director Anderson reported on issues from BAWSCA.

B. DIRECTORS' COMMENTS Director Jordan and the General Manager reported that they attended the Dec. 16, 2014 Santa Clara Valley Water District Board meeting.


C. AGENDA ITEMS FOR JANUARY 14, 2015 BOARD MEETING

13. ADJOURNMENT The meeting was adjourned at 8:55

Respectfully submitted



Raylene Collins, District Secretary

Approved: 

Ernest Solomon, President

