

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SERRANO WATER DISTRICT

The Board of Directors of the Serrano Water District met (via teleconference) in a regular board meeting on Tuesday, February 16, 2021. The meeting was held at the District Office located at 18021 Lincoln Street, Villa Park, California.

CALL TO ORDER: President Mills called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.

ROLL CALL:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEMBERS PRESENT:

Greg Mills	President
Brad Reese	Vice President
C.L. "Larry" Pharris, Jr.	Board Member
Jerry Haight	Board Member
Frank Bryant	Board Member

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT:

Jerry Vilander	General Manager
Vittorio Roggero	Business Manager
Laura Heflin	Administrative Assistant
Jeremy Jungreis	Legal Counsel

GUESTS PRESENT:

Bob Bowcock	<i>IRM</i>
Kevin Sage	<i>IRM</i>
Larry Dick	<i>Director, MWDOC</i>

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

PROFORMA REVIEW AND RATE SURVEY ANALYSIS COMPARISON

General Manager Vilander and Bob Bowcock of IRM provided an overview of the rate survey analysis comparison. Lengthy discussion ensued as well as a question-and-answer period related to comparison. Director Dick provided valuable input related to the District and its reliable water source. Agreed upon revisions will be made to the rate survey analysis comparison and presented at the next Board meeting.

TOWN HALL PRESENTATION

General Manager Vilander and Bob Bowcock of IRM provided an overview of a potential presentation to be given at an upcoming town hall meeting. Director Mills recommended that in the "challenges" slides it should be clearly noted that these items are government mandated with the exception of the aging infrastructure. The compounded increase will be totaled. General Manager Vilander presented the timeline and sequencing of events related to the discussion. Following discussion, it was moved (Director Reese), seconded (Director Bryant), and unanimously carried with Director Haight, Pharris, Mills, Reese, and Bryant voting yes to make the recommended changes to the presentation as well as rate survey analysis

comparison page(s) subject to approval by the Transparency Committee. Director Haight recommended that the Town Hall notice be mailed to all residents via USPS, sent electronically through the City's eblast, and posted on the District's webpage and on the City of Villa Park's website. It was agreed that the meeting will be held virtually on Zoom March 4th at 5:30 p.m. and will be noticed as a Special Board Meeting.

BOARD MINUTES

Consideration of Serrano Water District Board Meeting minutes of January 19, 2021. Director Bryant moved that the minutes of the January 19, 2021 meeting be approved as submitted, Director Haight seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously carried with Directors Bryant, Mills, Reese, Haight, and Pharris voting yes.

GENERAL MANAGER REPORT

General Manager Vilander summarized the status of Board Committee and management matters as agendaized for the month of January. Highlights included a review of various meetings attended and current issues. General Manager Vilander reported a meeting is scheduled with Brown and Caldwell for a kick-off meeting of the Smith Reservoir project and DSOD has completed their inspection of the dam with a few minor repairs recommended. The District did not receive the grant for the spillway. Inserts will be included in the next regularly scheduled District billing about vaccinations available through the City of Villa Park at the request of City Manager, Steve Franks.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Business Manager Roggero reported that \$500,000 will be moved into a six-month Certificate of Deposit at Farmers and Merchants as prior approval has been received from the Finance Committee at a recent meeting. Financials for the month of January were then presented. It was moved (Director Pharris), seconded (Director Mills), and unanimously carried with Directors Bryant, Reese, Pharris, Mills and Haight voting yes to approve the disbursements in the amount of \$197,515.78.

WATER REPORT

General Manager presented the water report and noted that he will be purchasing water by the end of March. The water report was received and filed.

PFAS PROGRESS REPORT

General Manager Vilander provided a status report on the PFAS project including an update on a recent public meeting hosted by OCWD and attended by Director Mills and Pharris. Input and suggestions were received, and it was determined that construction would be altered to ensure that the structures would be lowered 7 feet. As a result of this, the project has been delayed until April or May minimally, and OCWD will have to receive formal approval from their Board of Directors. A thank you letter will be sent to Mike Markus. Additionally, an update letter will be sent to the residents once the project has been officially approved.

IRVINE LAKE AGREEMENTS

Attorney Jungreis reported that these items will be discussed in closed session.

CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence was reviewed as agendaized related to CSDA, ISDOC, and ACWA-JPIA. Presidential awards will be placed on the District's webpage.

DIRECTORS COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Director Mills made some suggestions about altering the bills and solicited the other directors' input. Discussion ensued.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Attorney Jungreis discussed proposed bills in the legislature offering grants to modernize existing infrastructure.

It was announced at 11:46 a.m. that the Board of Directors would be entering into closed session.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

*Conference with real property negotiators
(Government Code Section 54956.8)*

Property: Santiago Reservoir (Irvine Lake), adjacent to 4621 Santiago Canyon Road, Silverado Canyon, CA 92676.

Agency Negotiator: Jerry Vilander

Negotiating Parties: County of Orange

Under Negotiation: Price and terms

*Conference with real property negotiators
(Government Code Section 54956.8)*

Property: Storage Rights, Santiago Reservoir (Irvine Lake), adjacent to 4621 Santiago Canyon Road, Silverado Canyon, CA 92676.

Agency Negotiator: Jerry Vilander

Negotiating Parties: Irvine Ranch Water District

Under Negotiation: Price and terms

Conference with legal counsel – anticipated litigation - initiation of litigation [Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4)]: One case. Orange County Water District et al. vs 3M Company, Case No. 30-2020-01172419-CU-PL-CXC.

The Board meeting was reconvened into open session at 12:08 p.m., and it was announced that there was no reportable action.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was formally adjourned at 12:09 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 16, 2021 @ 8:30 p.m. at the District office.

Laura Heflin, Administrative Assistant