#### MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SERRANO WATER DISTRICT

The Board of Directors of the Serrano Water District met in a regular board meeting on Tuesday, September 21, 2021. The meeting was held at the District Office located at 18021 Lincoln Street, Villa Park, California.

<u>CALL TO ORDER</u>: President Mills called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

## **ROLL CALL:**

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

None

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

## **BOARD MINUTES**

Consideration of Serrano Water District Board Meeting minutes of August 17, 2021. Director Pharris moved that the minutes of the August 17, 2021 meeting be approved as submitted, Director Reese seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously carried with Directors Bryant, Mills, Reese, Haight and Pharris voting yes.

Consideration of SWD Recreation, Inc. Board Meeting minutes of August 17, 2021. Director Pharris moved that the minutes of the August 17, 2021 meeting be approved as submitted, Director Reese 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 agendized for the month of August. Highlights included a review of various meetings attended and current issues. Irvine Ranch Water District will be doing bypass tests in December. Meter calibration reports will be provided by Irvine Ranch Water District, and the District will calibrate our meters. The Smith Reservoir design is going well, and a fifth alternative may be required. The spillway design has been modified to allow for more water, and this will affect the crest of the dam as well as the tower. Congresswoman Porter and her staff visited the District with OCWD to tour the PFAS filtration system. A tour of the lake is also tentatively planned for the second week of October. A virtual meeting was held with Senator Min and his staff to discuss the District's

capital improvement projects, as well as an in-person meeting with Supervisor Wagner. The wells should be online approximately mid-November. Discussion revolved around a potential grand opening of the PFAS filtration system with OCWD. It was agreed that a photo op with elected officials and representation from *The Foothill Sentry* would be the best course of action. Staff training on the PFAS filtration system is scheduled for early October. General Manager Vilander deferred to Director Reese to discuss funds available for capital improvement projects through the City of Villa Park. Director Haight mentioned that he had noticed the street sweeper filling up the water truck from a fire hydrant. General Manager Vilander will investigate the matter. The report was received and filed.

## FINANCIAL REPORT

Business Manager Roggero presented the financials for the month July. One of the certificate of deposits at Farmers & Merchants has been closed and moved into a savings account at LAIF. The audit is in final quality control and should be complete in a few weeks. The unfunded liability was discussed, and it was agreed that Business Manager Roggero would explore the development of a trust in order to fund this in the future. It was moved (Director Haight), seconded (Director Reese), and unanimously carried with Directors Bryant, Reese, Pharris, Haight and Mills voting yes to approve the disbursements in the amount of \$250,229.06.

#### WATER REPORT

General Manager presented the water report for the month of August. The report was received and filed.

## PFAS PROGRESS REPORT

General Manager Vilander provided a status report on the PFAS project.

# **IRVINE LAKE AGREEMENTS**

Attorney Jungreis reported that this item will be covered in closed session.

## 800 MHZ COUNTYWIDE COORDINATION COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

Following discussion led by General Manager Vilander, it was moved (Director Reese), seconded (Director Haight), and unanimously carried with Director Mills, Reese, Bryant, Pharris and Haight voting yes to authorize President Mills to enter into the rewritten joint agreement as presented.

## ACWA REGION 10 BOARD BALLOT 2022-2023 TERM

Following discussion led by General Manager Vilander and President Mills, it was moved (Director Reese), seconded (Director Haight), and unanimously carried with Director Mills, Reese, Bryant, Pharris and Haight voting yes to authorize President Mills to cast the ballot on behalf of the District.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence was reviewed as agendized.

#### EASEMENT AGREEMENT WITH SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON

Following discussion led by General Manager Vilander and Attorney Jungreis, it was moved (Director Pharris), seconded (Director Reese), and unanimously carried with Director Mills, Reese, Bryant, Pharris and Haight voting yes to approve the easement agreement with Southern California Edison for undergrounding transformer/overhead electrical on the property at the Howiler Treatment Plant APN 370-141-08 and 370-163-07, subject to corrections/modifications deemed acceptable by General Manager Vilander and Attorney Jungreis. This agreement will be brought back to the Board as an informational item.

## **DIRECTORS COMMENTS AND REPORTS**

Director Mills thanked the staff and Board of Directors for the card and flowers sent recently.

## ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Attorney Jungreis reported on proposed infrastructure bills and funds available, and it was decided that he would follow up with ACWA regarding strategy. AB-361 (extending ability to hold virtual meetings) was discussed at length.

It was announced at 10:05 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

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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

The meeting was reconvened into open session at 10:20 a.m., and it was announced that there were no reportable items.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was formally adjourned at 10:22 a.m. to the next adjourned Board meeting scheduled for October 18, 2021 @ 8:30 a.m. at the District offices.

Laura Heflin, Administrative Assistant