

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

The Board of Directors of the Serrano Water District met in a regularly scheduled board meeting on Tuesday, July 25, 2023. The meeting was held at the District Office located at 18021 Lincoln Street, Villa Park, California.

CALL TO ORDER: President Reese called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

### ROLL CALL:

#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEMBERS PRESENT:

Brad Reese	President
Frank Bryant	Vice-President
Greg Mills	Board Member
Jerry Haight	Board Member
Mike Pelly	Board Member

#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEMBERS ABSENT:

#### STAFF PRESENT:

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

#### GUESTS PRESENT:

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

#### BOARD MINUTES

Consideration of Serrano Water District Board Meeting minutes of the board meetings of June 30, 2023, July 6, 2023 and July 7, 2023. Director Mills moved that the minutes of the June 30, 2023, July 6, 2023 and July 7, 2023 meetings be approved as submitted, Director Haight seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously carried with Directors Bryant, Haight, Mills, Pelly, and Reese voting yes.

#### GENERAL MANAGER REPORT

General Manager Vilander summarized the status of Board Committee and management matters as agendized for the month of June. Highlights included a review of various meetings attended and current issues. General Manager Vilander reported on a recent meeting with Congresswoman Young Kim and discussed various funding opportunities. The proforma was discussed and Director Haight requested that all proformas moving forward include a footer on the right-hand bottom of the document with the date and time of the revision as well as a number assigned starting with number 1 and proceeding up as required. Director Haight also requested a one-page document be put together depicting the anticipated rates for a 30-year period based upon two scenarios—keeping the asset or transferring the asset. General Manager Vilander also reported on the dam house status, Smith Design concept and WIFIA discussions. The crew is working on Dodson this week installing service lines for two ADUs and repairing a leak. Director Pelly requested that a sheet be developed

bulleting the top ten take aways relating to the capital improvement projects for the City Council meeting. General Manager Vilander responded that he will work with the Transparency Committee to accomplish this with Director Pelly standing in for Director Haight providing a fresh look from the ratepayer's point of view. All Directors will be in attendance with the General Manager.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

Business Manager Roggero presented the financials for the month of June. It was moved (Director Mills), seconded (Director Reese), and unanimously carried with Directors Bryant, Reese, Pelly, Haight, and Mills voting yes to approve the disbursements in the amount of \$718,444.38.

#### WATER REPORT

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

#### SANTIAGO RESERVOIR PROJECT UPDATE

General Manager Vilander reported on the status of the Santiago Reservoir Project including the fact that he had received a draft schedule.

#### ADJUSTMENT OF GENERAL MANAGER SALARY

It was moved (Director Reese), seconded (Director Mills) and unanimously carried with Directors Haight, Reese, Pelly, Bryant and Mills voting yes to grant General Manager Vilander a 3.2% cost of living increase for his annual adjustment. General Manager Vilander thanked the Board of Directors.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 2023-07-01 OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SERRANO WATER DISTRICT PROVIDING FOR THE REIMBURSEMENT OF COBRA PAYMENTS FOR DEPENDENTS OF DECEASED EMPLOYEES OR DIRECTORS

Following discussion led by General Manager Vilander, it was moved (Director Haight), seconded (Director Mills), and unanimously carried with Directors Reese, Haight, Pelly, Mills and Bryant voting yes to adopt Resolution No. 2023-07-01 as presented.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence was reviewed as agendized.

#### DIRECTORS COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Director Mills reported that *The Foothill Sentry* will be covering the District's recent Town Hall meeting. Director Reese and Director Haight are reviewing alongside General Manager Vilander for accuracy prior to publication. Director Haight and Director Reese remarked that the draft article was very well written and was outstanding.

#### ATTORNEY'S REPORT

None.

*The Board of Directors announced that they would be entering into closed session at 10:23 a.m.*

#### RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

Conference with real property negotiators (Government Code Section 54956.8)  
*Property: Storage Rights and other District Real Property at 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 – EXISTING LITIGATION – [Government Code  
Section 54956.9(a)] – Orange County Water District et al. v. 3M Company et al.*

*The meeting was reconvened in open session at 11:10 a.m., and it was announced that there was no reportable action.*

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was formally adjourned at 11:12 a.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting is scheduled for August 22, 2023 @ 8:30 a.m.

Laura Heflin  
Administrative Assistant