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

The Board of Directors of the Serrano Water District met in an adjourned Board meeting on Monday, March 18, 2024. The meeting was held at the District Office located at 18021 Lincoln Street, Villa Park, California.

<u>CALL TO ORDER</u>: President Reese called the meeting to order at 11:35 a.m.

#### ROLL CALL:

# **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Brad Reese President

Frank Bryant Vice-President
Greg Mills Board Member
Mike Pelly Board Member
Jerry Haight 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:**

None.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

# **BOARD MINUTES**

Consideration of Serrano Water District Board minutes of the February 27, 2024 and March 8, 2024 meetings. Director Mills moved that the minutes of the February 27 and March 8, 2024 meetings be approved as submitted, Director Haight seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously carried with Directors Bryant, Mills, Pelly, Haight, 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 February. Highlights included a review of various meetings attended and current issues. General Manager Vilander reported on the status of meetings held with both legal and bond counsel; Fieldman & Rolapp; and rate analysts. Director Haight requested that a town hall meeting be scheduled to inform the public of current issues that the District is facing (either in May or before the final decision) and fellow Board members agreed. It was agreed via consensus that General Manager Vilander and Attorney Jungreis would enter into an agreement with an analyst firm for time and materials for an in-depth analysis. General Manager Vilander remarked that the District will be going out to bid for a new auditor and that interviews are being conducted. These firms will be brought back to the Finance Committee with recommendations to the Board of Directors. The crew repaired a leak at Irvine Park.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

Business Manager Roggero presented the financials for the month of February. It was moved (Director Mills), seconded (Director Haight), and unanimously carried with Directors Bryant, Reese, Pelly, Haight and Mills voting yes to approve the disbursements in the amount of \$363,948.65.

# **WATER REPORT**

General Manager Vilander presented the water report for the month of February and remarked that valve is currently closed with a lake level of 762.8. The report was received and filed.

# NOMINATION PERIOD AND APPOINTMENT PROCESS FOR THE OC LAFCO REGULAR SPECIAL DISTRICT MEMBER SEAT

It was moved (Director Mills), seconded (Director Haight), and unanimously carried with Directors Reese, Pelly, Haight, Mills and Bryant voting yes to authorize President Brad Reese to vote on behalf of the District in the OC LAFCO Special District Selection Committee.

# SANTIAGO RESERVOIR PROJECT UPDATE

None.

# **CORRESPONDENCE**

None.

# **DIRECTORS COMMENTS AND REPORTS**

None.

# ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Attorney Jungreis remarked that the District needs to continue to monitor the LAFCO service review process. General Manager Vilander remarked that he is in the process of assembling the financials.

It was announced that it would not be necessary to enter into closed session.

# 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.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was formally adjourned at 1:05 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting is scheduled for April 23, 2024 @ 8:30 a.m.

Laura Heflin Administrative Assistant