

Minutes of the Regular Board of Directors Meeting

Thursday, August 10, 2023, at 3:00 p.m.

These are the minutes of the Summerland Sanitary District Governing Board meeting held at the District's office at 2435 Wallace Avenue, Summerland, California.

The public was able to listen to the meeting telephonically by calling +1 669 900 6833 (San Jose), code 983 226 8568, or through the internet at https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9832268568. The public was also invited to attend the meeting in person.

The agenda notice for this meeting, including instructions for the public to provide comments and/or participate in the electronic meeting, was posted on the district's website and bulletin board and at the Post Office at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting.

BOARD PRESIDENT J. COLOMY CALLED THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING TO ORDER AT 3:01 P.M.

I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

DIRECTORS PRESENT JOLENE COLOMY

JOHN FRANKLIN GARY ROBINSON JAMES WITMER

ABSENT

MARTIN TUCKER

OTHERS PRESENT

DAVID LEWIS

Operations Manager

MARJON (MAR) SOUZA

Administrative Manager

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Board President J. Colomy said that the closed session item will be omitted from today's agenda, as advised by Legal Counsel. President J. Colomy asked if there were any other modifications and/or changes. Hearing no objections, the agenda was approved.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT [Non-Agenda Items]

No public comments were submitted in advance and no members of the public were present at the meeting location.

V. <u>APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF JULY 13, 2023 [Action Item]</u>

A motion was made by Director J. Franklin to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of July 13, 2023. The motion was seconded as amended by Director J. Witmer and was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:

4 0

J. Colomy, J. Franklin, G. Robinson, J. Witmer

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

M. Tucker

ABSTAIN:

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None

VI. <u>APPROVAL OF THE MONTHLY EXPENSES FOR JULY 2023, INCLUDING PAYROLL AND PETTY CASH</u> [Action Item]

District Management answered the Board's questions and clarified information about the payout of bills. A motion was made by Director J. Witmer to approve the monthly expenses, including payroll and petty cash totaling \$155,845 for Fund 5215 and \$2,587 for Fund 5217. The motion was seconded by Director J. Franklin, and was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: 4 J. Colomy, J. Franklin, G. Robinson, J. Witmer

NOES: 0 None ABSENT: 1 M. Tucker ABSTAIN: 0 None

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Finance Committee Report Did not meet.

- B. Administration, Operations & Personnel (AOP) Committee Did not meet.
- C. Ad-Hoc Committee Annexation and Dissolution

The Ad-Hoc Committee held two meetings. The first meeting was with the Carpinteria Sanitary District's (CSD) Ad Hoc Committee regarding the Administrative Feasibility Study. The SSD Committee requested the CSD to jointly pursue and fund the Administrative Feasibility study and explained the reasoning behind this request. It was well received by the CSD Committee.

The CSD Ad-Hoc Committee will discuss the SSD Committee's request with their full board on August 15th. The SSD Ad-Hoc Committee believes that a joint pursuit of the Administrative Feasibility Study would be considered by CSD's Board after the result of the Carollo Engineering Study comes in, which will be October 2023.

Another meeting was held with Montecito Water District's (MWD) Ad Hoc Strategic Committee. A meeting was requested by the MWD General Manager and Board to discuss Recycled Water. In response to this request, a joint Ad-Hoc Committee meeting was held on Tuesday, August 8th. The MWD Ad Hoc Committee explained their concept project; Indirect Potable Reuse and Groundwater Storage in Carpinteria. MWD was interested in an update from SSD on the process of connecting the SSD collection system to the Carpinteria Sanitary District and requested to consider a feasibility study to connect to the Montecito Sanitary District (MSD) as well to find out what would be the best option. The SSD Committee said that they would be open to this to find out what is best for the Summerland Community, but first wanted to wait for the study results that are scheduled to come in October 2023. An additional feasibility study to connect to MSD might be costly and was previously denied by the County of SB to be included in the Carollo Study. The MWD Committee members said that they could consider funding this requested study or possibly include funding in their grant request. The two parties said that they would keep each other informed.

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D. Ad-Hoc Committee Legislation and Legal Affairs

The Committee reported that a board response letter was sent by Legal Counsel to the Radis Family Trust, Mr. J. Armendariz, and the SBCTA. No response to date has been received.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS ITEMS

A. Annexation and Dissolution Feasibility Analysis Proposals [Action Item]

The Ad-Hoc Committee recommended tabling this item until the results of the Carollo Engineering Connection Feasibility Study are known in October 2023.

A motion was made by Director J. Colomy to table the approval of the Ridgeline Municipal Strategies' Annexation & Dissolution Feasibility Analysis Proposal until a later date. The motion was seconded by Director G. Robinson, and was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:

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J. Colomy, J. Franklin, G. Robinson, J. Witmer

NOES:

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None

ABSENT:

0 None

ABSTAIN:

1 M. Tucker

IX. <u>FINANCIAL STATUS REPORT – July 2023</u> [Action Item]

The Board received Financial Status and Cash balance reports for Funds 5215, 5216, and 5217, and staff provided explanations as requested.

The report was accepted as submitted.

X. OPERATIONS MANAGER REPORT

Operations Manager D. Lewis provided a written report and answered Board questions.

XI. ADMINISTRATIVE MANAGER REPORT

Administrative Manager M. Souza provided a written report and answered Board questions.

IX. BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Board communications: None
- B. Items for future Board meetings: -
- C. The next regular board meeting is Thursday, September 14, 2023.

X. ADJOURNMENT

President J. Colomy adjourned the meeting at 3:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Gary Robinson

Secretary \

Date: September 14, 2023

Minutes prepared by M. Souza