



BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING STUDY SESSION MINUTES

Tuesday, February 16, 2021 at 3:00 PM
Via Teleconference – No Live Attendance

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN MISSION SPRINGS WATER DISTRICT BOARD MEETINGS WILL BE CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO THE GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20 IN AN EFFORT TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS). THE PUBLIC MAY ATTEND AND PARTICIPATE TELEPHONICALLY AS THERE WILL BE NO PUBLIC LOCATION FOR ATTENDING IN PERSON. THE AUDIO/VIDEO RECORDING OF THESE MEETINGS MAY BE POSTED TO THE MSWD WEBPAGE FOLLOWING THE MEETING.

THE PUBLIC MAY SUBMIT ANY COMMENTS ADDRESSING ITEMS BELOW BY EMAILING DPETEE@MSWD.ORG PRIOR TO THE START OF THE MEETING.

JOIN ZOOM MEETING:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8220655340>

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Meeting ID: 822 065 5340

ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ON ANY ITEM LISTED ON THIS AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

President Nancy Wright
Director Randy Duncan
Director Steve Grasha
Vice President Russ Martin
Director Ivan Sewell

RULES OF PROCEDURE

PUBLIC INPUT

*This is the opportunity for members of the public to address the Board on matters within the Board's jurisdiction. **Please limit comments to three (3) minutes or less.** State law prohibits the Board from discussing or taking action on any item not listed on the agenda.*

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

A. HUMAN RESOURCES REPORT

COVID-19 UPDATE**B. COVID-19 UPDATE****ACTION ITEMS****3. AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR THE DESERT WILLOWS WATER LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT, EXECUTE A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH THE DESERT WILLOWS PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION REGARDING REPAVING OF THE ROADS AND CAPITAL BUDGET AUGMENTATION**

It is recommended to authorize the General Manager to award a contract for the Desert Willows Water Line Replacement Project to The Van Dyke Corporation, the lowest responsible bidder, in the amount of \$1,515,899,50, plus a 10% contingency (total \$1,667,489.45), execute a Cooperative Agreement with the Desert Willows Property Owners' Association (DWPOA) regarding the repaving of the roads within the Desert Willows (DW) Community, and augment the capital improvement budget amount to \$1,990,000 for Job No. 11457, and to do all things necessary to complete the project.

Motion made by Director Duncan, Seconded by Vice President Martin.

Voting Yea: President Wright, Director Duncan, Director Grasha, Vice President Martin, Director Sewell

4. MAKE THE CONNECTION FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM APPROVAL

It is recommended to approve the Financial Assistance requests. The following properties have submitted an application for a Non-Transferable Lien for Financial Assistance to connect to the sewer system:

66930 San Felipe Road - \$15,000
13505 Cactus Drive - \$ 2,800
66891 San Bruno Road - \$ 3,200
13265 Julian Drive - \$ 3,800

Motion made by Vice President Martin, Seconded by Director Sewell.

Voting Yea: President Wright, Director Duncan, Director Grasha, Vice President Martin, Director Sewell

5. FIRST AMENDMENT TO GENERAL MANAGER/CHIEF ENGINEER EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

If so desired, approve the General Manager/Chief Engineers' employment agreement

Motion made by Director Grasha, Seconded by Director Sewell.

Voting Yea: President Wright, Director Duncan, Director Grasha, Vice President Martin,

Director Sewell

DISCUSSION ITEMS

6. CORPORATE YARD BUILDING UPDATE

Mr. Macy presented to the Board. Building update at the Corp Yard. Met with the City of DHS for input. Feedback from the City was positive.

7. MSWD REGIONAL WATER RECLAMATION FACILITY UPDATE

CONSENT AGENDA

Consent agenda items are expected to be routine and non-controversial, to be acted upon by the Board at one time, without discussion. If a member would like an item to be handled separately, it will be removed from the Consent Agenda for separate action.

Motion made by Director Duncan, Seconded by Vice President Martin.

Voting Yea: President Wright, Director Duncan, Director Grasha, Vice President Martin, Director Sewell

8. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It is recommended to approve the minutes as follows:

Board Workshop - January 12, 2021

Study Session - January 14, 2021

Board Meeting - January 19, 2021

9. REGISTER OF DEMANDS

The register of Demands totaling \$1,403,269.44.

DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

10. UPCOMING EVENTS AND DIRECTOR REPORTS

Vice President Martin reported he attended the following events; 1/19 DHS City Council Meeting, 1/25 Cabot's Board Meeting, 1/5 DHS City Council Meeting, 1/7 DVBA Legislative Meeting, 1/21 Countywide Oversight Board, 1/27 San Gorgonio Pass Regional Water Alliance.

Director Duncan reported he attended the following events; 1/3 DWA Board Meeting, 1/26 CVWD Board Meeting

REPORTS

11. GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT

Thanked the Board for the amendment to his contract. XXXX

12. FINANCIAL REPORT

Nothing further to add.

13. DISTRICT COUNSEL REPORT

Nothing further to add.

DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Director Duncan congratulated Russ Martin for speaking at the DHS City Council meeting in defense of MSWD. Additionally he mentioned a constituent who approached him regarding the well on his property. with the aid of MSwD it was found, thanked for the customer service.

Ivan mentioned the class comp study, appeared the subject of a class comp...encouraged to move forward.

Grasha mentioned Wayne Neilson who recently passed away, encouraged all to stay safe.

Nancy - SB323?? Statue of limitation on sewer rates. Also announced the ACWA JPIA board elections, she received a plea for support from XXXX. Will pass on information for March meeting.

Director Grasha urged support for the DWA candidate.

CLOSED SESSION**Conference with Real Property Negotiator pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8**

(Property: 7.51 acres at 14866 Palm Drive, Desert Hot Springs). Agency Negotiator: General Manager Arden Wallum. Negotiating Parties: MSWD and Lee Woo Keun & Taik Young/Lee Chang Sun. Under Negotiation: Price and Terms

Conference with Legal Counsel regarding existing litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)

One Case: Case No. PSC1600676
(Mission Springs Water District vs. Desert Water Agency)

REPORT ON ACTION TAKEN DURING CLOSED SESSION**ADJOURN**

If you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the Executive Assistant at (760) 660-4403 at least 48 working hours prior to the meeting.

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DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS AND MAY ALSO BE AVAILABLE ON THE DISTRICT'S WEBSITE AT <https://www.mswd.org/board.aspx>. NOTE: THE PROCEEDINGS MAY BE AUDIO AND VIDEO RECORDED.

CERTIFICATION OF POSTING

I certify that on or before February 13, 2021, a copy of the foregoing notice was posted near the regular meeting place of the Board of Directors of Mission Springs Water District at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting (Government Code Section 54954.2).

Arden Wallum
Secretary of the Board of Directors