

Scotts Valley Water District
Board of Directors
Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, September 20, 2017
Santa Margarita Community Room
2 Civic Center Drive, Scotts Valley, California
Minutes

I. Convene Meeting

I.1. Call to Order and Roll Call

President Stiles called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Santa Margarita Community Room, 2 Civic Center Drive, Scotts Valley, California.

Present:

Directors

David T. Hodgin
Wade Leishman
Chris Perri
Danny Reber
Ruth Stiles

Staff

Robert Bosso
Piret Harmon
David McNair
Donna Paul

Guests

Rosemary Menard

I.2. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

Director Leishman led the pledge and Director Reber provided the invocation.

I.3. Closed Session Report

Legal Counsel Bosso reported that a performance evaluation was conducted and no action was taken.

I.4. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

I.5. Oral Communications

There were no oral communications.

2. Administrative Items

2.1. Approval of Minutes – August 10, 2017 Regular Board Meetings

MOTION: Perri / Leishman to approve the minutes of the August 10, 2017 regular Board Meeting. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

2.2. Presentation

There were no presentations.

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2.3 Committee Meeting Reports

Finance and Personnel Committee 09/05/2017

In addition to the written report there was nothing further to add.

Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency (SMGA) Board of Directors Meeting
08/30/2017 Selection Meeting 07/31/2017

Director Perri reported that the private well owners selected Angela Franklin and Nick Vrolyk as representatives and Edan Cassidy as the alternate and the San Lorenzo Valley Water District representatives took a couple of unexpected actions by not taking the staff recommendations and appointing by specific name Stephanie Hill as agency treasurer and not establishing a parent agency.

3. Consent

There were no items on the consent agenda.

4. Public Hearings

No public hearings were scheduled.

5. General Business Items

5.1. Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) Committee Appointment
Nominations for the 2018-2019 Term

General Manager Harmon provided the staff report and responded to questions from the Board.

The Board of Directors confirmed the Committee Roster and directed the General Manager submit the Committee Consideration Form for ACWA Committees for the 2018-2019 term.

5.2. Memorandum of Agreement among the San Lorenzo Water District, the City of Santa Cruz, the County of Santa Cruz and the Scotts Valley Water District for Collaborative Work on Conjunctive Use of Surface and Groundwater Resources.

General Manager Harmon introduced City of Santa Cruz Water Director Rosemary Menard who is leading this effort. Both provided information and responded to Board questions.

The Board discussed the MOA and requested that funding section be amended to read: PARTIES agree that funding for each shared task in this WORK PLAN will be proportionally split as agreed by the PARTIES on case by case basis.

MOTION: Hodgin/Perri to authorize the General Manager to execute the Memorandum of Agreement among the San Lorenzo Water District, the City of Santa Cruz, the County of Santa Cruz and the Scotts Valley Water District as amended for collaborative work on exploring potential projects for the conjunctive use of surface

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and groundwater resources in Santa Margarita basin and San Lorenzo River watershed. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

At this time, Water Director Menard invited the Board and staff to attend a series of workshops on the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) implementation. The first session is *Groundwater 101 and SGMA - A Primer for the Community and will be held on Thursday October 5, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. at the Simpkins Swim Center 979 17th Avenue, Santa Cruz CA 95062.*

6. Staff Reports

6.1. District Counsel

Legal Counsel Bosso reported the State Supreme Court heard arguments for the Proposition 218 cases on September 5, 2017 and the Goleta case is in the 4th District Court of Appeals.

6.2. General Manager

The General Managers report is appended to the minutes.

6.3. Finance

The Finance Report was accepted without comments.

6.4. Operations

Operations Manager McNair reported that the District will be using national joint powers alliance (NJPA) for some of the contracting on the Well 7 emergency replacement project; Thayer Construction (Salinas) is available and will be providing a quote for site preparation work; Lennar will be providing a site for the “construction yard” and allowing us to add about 140 cubic yards to its spoils pile; Pacific Coast Well Drilling will be here in October to drill; and the State and responded to our permit amendment request with six questions. Bethany Booster emergency replacement plans are complete, electrical work complete and a contractor has been secured for the pipeline work. City Ventures is done for the winter; lead and copper testing is complete and all below action levels; and a recent front-page news article on public health goals did not bring any phone calls.

7. Individual Directors Reports

Director Hodgin reported the he attended the Region 5 event in Goleta on September 17, 18 and will be in Sacramento on September 28, 29 for ACWA Board Meetings.

Director Hodgin requested that ad hoc committee be established to discuss acquisition of the Valley Gardens Golf Course in conjunction with the City of Scotts Valley. After discussion, it was determined that this item will be revisited at the Spring Board Retreat. included

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Director Reber expressed gratitude to General Manager Harmon and Operations Manager McNair for their efforts in resolving brewery chemicals causing problems at waste water plant.

8. Written Communications and Correspondence

8.1 SB 623 (Monning) Position Letter: Oppose Unless Amended 08/11/17

8.2 SB 606 (Skinner/Hertzberg) Position Letter: Oppose Unless Amended 08/30/17

8.3 AB 1668 (Friedman) Position Letter: Oppose Unless Amended 08/30/17

The written communications and correspondence was accepted with a comment that SB263 died in Committee.

9. Community Relations

9.1. Press Release - Scotts Valley Water District to replace collapsed well 09/13/17

The community relations items were accepted without comment.

10. Closed Session

There was no closed session.

11. Report on Closed Session and Additional Items

There was no report on closed session or additional items.

12. Adjournment

At 9:11 p.m., the meeting adjourned. The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled for October 12, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Santa Margarita Community Room, 2 Civic Center Drive, Scotts Valley, CA 95066.

Submitted:

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Donna Paul, Asst. to the General Manager

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Ruth L Stiles
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Ruth Stiles, President

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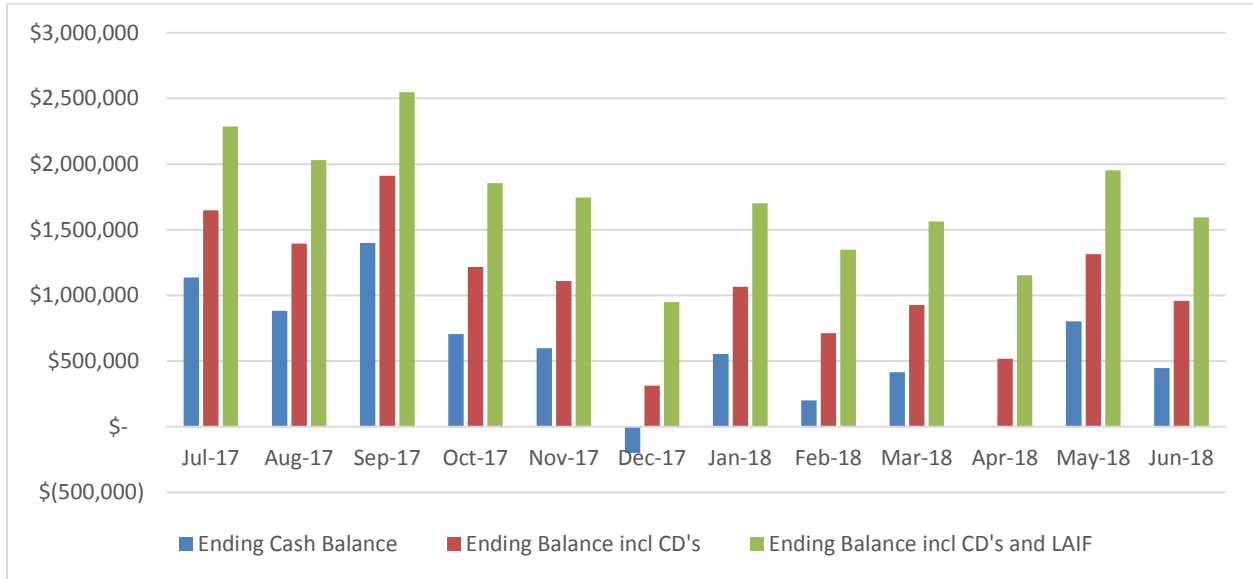
Piret Harmon, General Manager

STAFF REPORT – GENERAL ITEMS
 Scotts Valley Water District

Date: September 20, 2017
To: Board of Directors
From: General Manager

1. Funding of the emergency projects (Well 7A replacement and Bethany Booster Station rehabilitation)

a. Cash reserves projection



b. Use of cooperative agreements

Considering utilizing National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA) for construction contracts to streamline and speed up the process.

2. SVWD along with the other water and land resource management agencies and private interest groups in the county received a request from Water for Santa Cruz to participate in a public forum entitled "Perspectives on Regional Water Supply Solutions" on September 25, 2017. The stated goal of the event is to provide information to the public regarding local water supply, hold a public discussion of all known solutions, review progress being made to address groundwater overdraft and recharge projects, and provide updates of state legislation affecting the policies of local water agencies.
3. SVWD is hosting a joint lunch event (11:30am-1pm) with SqCWD, SLVWD, City of Scotts Valley at MacDorsa Park on October 9, 2017. SqCWD will be introducing their Pure Water Soquel educational trailer.
4. Recent water industry events

- a. Ruth Stiles and I attended Water Resource Management tour to Denmark hosted and funded by the Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs in August 2017. The trip was centered on the Danish water resource management strategies, groundwater mapping, groundwater sustainability plans and included visits to the State of Green (<https://stateofgreen.com/en>), Danish Environmental Protection Agency (<http://eng.svana.dk>), Smith Innovation (<http://smithinnovation.dk/en>), Vandcenter Syd/Odense Water (<http://www.vcsdenmark.com>), SkyTEM (<http://skytem.com/geophysical-surveys/>), Ramboll (<http://ramboll.com>), Aarhus Municipality (<http://www.aarhus.dk/da/omkommunen/English.aspx>), Aarhus Vand/Aarhus Water (https://www.aarhusvand.dk/en/international/new_solutions/tomorrow/)
 - b. I attended California Utilities Executive Management Association Leadership Summit in September 2017. Main focus on succession planning strategies for water industry.
 - c. I attended and participated on a panel about water recycling and reuse at ACWA Region 5 Event in Goleta in September 2017.
5. I was invited and will be participating in the kick-off event for California-Denmark Water Memorandum of Understanding co-hosted by Governor Brown's Office, State Water Resource Control Board, Department of Water Resources and Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs on September 22, 2017.

I will most likely be needing to tend to family medical needs in the upcoming months and requesting to work remotely and take some time off to facilitate that. Tentative and initial schedule for that – October 13 through 30, 2017.