

FALLBROOK PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

MONDAY, JULY 22, 2024 4:00 P.M. FALLBROOK PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT 990 E. MISSION RD., FALLBROOK, CA 92028 PHONE: (760) 728-1125

I. PRELIMINARY FUNCTIONS

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL / ESTABLISH A QUORUM

Director Endter called the July Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Fallbrook Public Utility District to order at 4:12 p.m.

A quorum was established, and attendance was as follows:

Board of Directors

Present:

Dave Baxter, Member

Ken Endter, Member Charley Wolk, Member

Absent:

Jennifer DeMeo, Member/President

Don McDougal, Member/Vice President

General Counsel/District Staff

Present:

Jack Bebee, General Manager

Paula de Sousa, General Counsel

Devin Casteel, System Operations Supervisor

Mick Cothran, Engineering Technician Aaron Cook, Engineering Manager Carl Quiram, Operations Manager Bryan Wagner, Crew Leader

Austin Wendt, Crew Leader

Lauren Eckert, Executive Assistant/Board Secretary

Also present were others, including, but not limited to: Jacqueline Howells, Mark Mervich, Rosie Redmond, Steve Corona, Lila Hargrove, and Jim Mendelson

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Endter led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION:

Director Wolk moved to approve the agenda; Director Baxter

seconded. Motion carried; VOTE:

AYES:

Directors Baxter, Endter, and Wolk

NOES:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

ABSENT:

Directors DeMeo and McDougal

PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public are invited to address the Board of Directors on any item that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body. The Board President may limit comments to three (3) minutes.

Steve Corona stepped to the podium providing an EMWD report. He extended an invitation to the EMWD Agricultural Customer Listening Session on August 29, 2024 and to visit the EMWD desalination plant in Menifee.

A. YEAR OF SERVICE

- 1. Austin Wendt 15 years
- 2. Bryan Wagner 5 years

The Board recognized Austin Wendt for his 15 years of service to the District and Bryan Wagner for his five years of service to the District.

B. NEW CERTIFICATIONS

1. Adam Lowen, Distribution Operator, Grade 2

The Board recognized Adam Lowen for receiving his Distribution Operator, Grade 2 certification.

II. CONSENT CALENDAR-----(ITEMS C-E)

All items appearing on the Consent Calendar may be disposed of by a single motion. Items shall be removed from the Consent Calendar if any member of the Board of Directors, or the public, requests removal prior to a vote on a motion to approve the items. Such items shall be considered separately for action by the Board.

C. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. June 24, 2024 Regular Board Meeting

<u>Recommendation</u>: The Board approve the minutes of the aforementioned meeting of the Board of Directors of the Fallbrook Public Utility District.

D. CONSIDER ADVANCE APPROVAL TO ATTEND MEETINGS

<u>Recommendation:</u> That the Board authorize and approve, in advance, Directors' attendance to the ACWA Region 9 Water Workforce Development Solutions event on August 13, 2024 in Temecula, California.

E. CONSIDER NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR JOB NO. 3178 – HAWTHORNE SEWER REPLACEMENT

<u>Recommendation:</u> That the Board authorize staff to file the attached Notice of Completion with the San Diego County Recorder.

MOTION: Director Baxter moved to approve the Consent Calendar as

presented; Director Wolk seconded. Motion carried; VOTE:

AYES: Directors Baxter, Endter, and Wolk

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Directors DeMeo and McDougal

III. <u>INFORMATION</u>-----(ITEM F)

F. FPUD SUPPLY AND DEMAND UPDATE PRESENTATION

<u>Presented by:</u> Devin Casteel, System Operations Supervisor Mick Cothran, Engineering Technician

System Operations Supervisor Casteel presented a slideshow to provide an update on the projected flows from the Santa Margarita Groundwater Treatment Plant, the projected system demand, and the Red Mountain UV treatment facility operations.

Engineering Technician Cothran provided an update on historic demand trends, demand projections, regulatory requirements, and available agricultural assistance programs.

There was discussion regarding the Urban Water Use Objective including how the District's allocation relates to its demands. Director Wolk asked about the rationale for the state calculating indoor use. Engineering Technician Cothran responded that the state has hired a third-party meter company to study this. He explained the challenge with this is they don't know how many people are living in a home.

Director Endter asked if there has ever been a break-even number for the amount of water we need to sell to break even. General Manager Bebee responded that we normally show this during the rate setting process.

IV. ACTION / DISCUSSION CALENDAR -----(ITEMS G-H)

G. CONSIDER MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH MISSION RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT FOR MAINTENANCE OF MISSION ROAD MEDIANS

Recommendation: That the Board approve the attached MOU in Attachment C with MRCD for Mission Road Medians Program

General Manager Bebee provided an overview of this item, reporting the District acted as a middle man between the County and the Fallbrook Beautification Alliance who agreed to take on the maintenance of the Mission Road medians. He explained the Beautification Alliance has struggled to find people for this maintenance. Mission Resources Conservation District has agreed to take this over. This will need to be funded by the Community Benefit Program, and ultimately the Community Benefit Program Committee will determine the level of funding MRCD would receive for this project.

Director Wolk moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding MOTION:

with Mission Resource Conservation District for maintenance of Mission Road medians; Director Baxter seconded. Motion carried;

VOTE:

AYES: Directors Baxter, Endter, and Wolk

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Directors DeMeo and McDougal

CONSIDER REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO SELL SURPLUS Η. PROPERTY (APNS 101-57-202, 106-33-208/209/210)

Recommendation: That the Board adopt Resolution No. 5081 making findings and declaring the parcels surplus land and authorizing District staff to proceed with the sales process.

Engineering Manager Cook provided an overview of this item stating the District went through a similar process a few years ago. He went over the state requirements for selling surplus land, as well as provided a brief description of each parcel.

Director Wolk asked the time limit for offering the parcels to other public agencies. General Counsel de Sousa stated it was not a very long time, possibly 90 days.

Mark Mervich asked the value of the parcels. Engineering Manager Cook responded that we would have an appraisal done to assess the value.

Director Wolk moved to adopt Resolution No. 5081 making findings MOTION:

and declaring APNS 101-57-202, 106-33-208/209/210 as surplus land and authorizing District staff to proceed with the sales process:

Director Baxter seconded. Motion carried; VOTE:

AYES:

Directors Baxter, Endter, and Wolk

NOES:

None

ABSTAIN: None

Directors DeMeo and McDougal ABSENT:

V. ORAL/WRITTEN REPORTS-----(ITEMS 1-7)

- 1. General Counsel
 - General Counsel de Sousa provided a legislative update on AB 2557 and SB 1255.
 - General Counsel de Sousa also reported on Otay Water District's court of appeal decision on their tiered rate structure.
- 2. General Manager
 - a. MWD/EMWD Update
 - b. Engineering and Operations Report
 - c. Federal Funding Update
 - General Manager Bebee reported we are still working with Camp Pendleton. He also announced the strategic plan process has started.
- 3. Assistant General Manager/Chief Financial Officer
 - a. Treasurer's Report
 - b. Warrant List
- 4. Public Information Officer
- 5. Notice of Approval of Per Diem for Meetings Attended
- 6. Director Comments/Reports on Meetings Attended
- 7. Miscellaneous

VI. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

There being no further business to discuss, the July Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Fallbrook Public Utility District was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

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