

JOSHUA BASIN WATER DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2018

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Luckman called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE – GM Sauer administered the Oath of Office to Director Mike Reynolds.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS – Outgoing President Luckman nominated Director Johnson as President and Director Unger Vice President. Director Unger seconded.

MSC¹ (Luckman/Unger) motion carried by the following vote

Ayes: Hund, Johnson, Luckman, Reynolds, and Unger

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM –President Johnson, Vice President Unger, Director Hund, Director Luckman, and Director Reynolds.

STAFF PRESENT -Curt Sauer, GM, Mark Ban, AGM – Operations, Susan Greer, AGM/Controller, Sarah Johnson, HR Mgr., and Beverly Waszak, Executive Assistant

CONSULTANTS PRESENT -Gil Granito, Legal Counsel, Redwine & Sherrill, Kathleen Radnich, Public Outreach

APPROVAL OF AGENDA –Determination of a Quorum was moved ahead of Election of Officers on the Agenda. Director Luckman made a motion to approve the Agenda. Director Reynolds seconded.

MSC¹ (Luckman/Reynolds) motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Hund, Johnson, Luckman, Reynolds, and Unger

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

PUBLIC COMMENT – Al Marquez, Joshua Tree, congratulated the newest member of the Board, Director Mike Reynolds. He gave condolences to himself and those candidates that did not win a seat on the Board.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Director Luckman made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar. Director Reynolds seconded.

MSC¹ (Luckman/Reynolds) motion carried by the following vote

Ayes: Hund, Johnson, Luckman, Reynolds, and Unger

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

JOINING THE COMMUNITY WATER SYSTEMS ALLIANCE – GM Sauer gave an overview of the Community Water Systems Alliance. GM Sauer stated that the California Community Water Systems Alliance (CWSA) will be comprised of a group of special districts, county water districts, community service districts, and cities that serve smaller, older, and poorer communities around the state in alliance with CalMutuals. A brief Q&A period followed with the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Tom Floen, Joshua Tree, asked if there is any overlap from this lobbying organization compared to the ones that we are currently in, i.e., ACWA. If we could exercise some influence over the legislature before they do something like Chromium 6, which caused us a lot of effort, but then ended up being halted, at least temporarily. However, if we could influence them early and prevent some of these things from happening early on, it would be a great deal.

ADMINISTRATIVE CODE-REVIEW, REVISE, AND UPDATE – The Board of Directors agreed to hold a workshop to review, revise, and update the Administrative Code.

Vice President Unger made a motion that the Board of Directors hold a workshop to review, revise, and update the Administrative Code. Director Luckman seconded.

MSC¹ (Unger/Luckman) motion carried by the following vote

Ayes: Hund, Johnson, Luckman, Reynolds, and Unger

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

CAPACITY FEE REPORTS – AGM Greer gave an overview of the Capacity Fee Report that was previously reviewed and referred to the Board from the Finance Committee. A brief Q&A period followed with the Board.

President Johnson asked for a motion to accept, receive, and file the Capacity Fee Report.

Vice President Unger made a motion to accept, receive, and file the Capacity Fee Report. Director Reynolds seconded.

MSC¹ (Unger/Reynolds) motion carried by the following vote

Ayes: Hund, Johnson, Luckman, Reynolds, and Unger

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

DISTRICT GENERAL COUNSEL REPORT – Mr. Gil Granito stated that he had no open session report.

GENERAL MANAGER REPORT – GM Sauer had no report.

DIRECTOR COMMENTS & REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED –

Kathleen Radnich, Public Outreach Consultant, informed the Board of Directors that Joshua Tree was recently mentioned in Forbes Magazine as one of ten places you must see in 2019. The docent/volunteer meeting will be held on January 11, 2019, at 1 p.m. in the District's boardroom.

Director Luckman gave a brief report on the TAC Committee she attended on December 6, 2018.

Vice President Unger recommended that everyone attend the Finance Committee.

Director Hund gave a brief report on the Water Resources & Operations Committee and invited everyone to attend.

Director Luckman gave a brief report on the Morongo Basin Pipeline Commission she attended on December 12, 2018.

Vice President Unger gave a brief report on the Mojave Water Agency Board of Directors meeting she attended on December 13, 2018.

FUTURE DIRECTOR MEETINGS AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES –

Board of Directors Meeting – January 2, 2019 – Director Luckman motioned to cancel the meeting. Vice President Unger seconded.

MSC¹ (Luckman/Unger) motion carried by the following vote

Ayes: Hund, Johnson, Luckman, Reynolds, and Unger
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

President Johnson continued to read the upcoming meetings with one change to the CAC meeting date of January 8, 2019, and should be January 15, 2019.

CLOSED SESSION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – Mr. Gilbert Granito, District General Counsel, reported that at approximately 7:18 p.m., the Board went into Closed Session pursuant to paragraphs 2 of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9 (one matter) to consult with legal counsel and the District General Manager on a matter of potential litigation.

The Closed Session ended at approximately 7:47 p.m. and the Board returned to Open Session. No reportable action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT – At 7:48 p.m., Director Luckman motioned to adjourn the Board meeting. Vice President Unger seconded.

MSC¹ (Luckman/Unger) motion carried by the following vote

Ayes: Hund, Johnson, Luckman, Reynolds, and Unger
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

Respectfully Submitted,



Curt Sauer, GM and Board Secretary