JOSHUA BASIN WATER DISTRICT Minutes of the SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS June 13, 2012

1. CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 PM

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. DETERMINATION OF QUORUM: Frank Coate Present

Bill Long Present
Mickey Luckman Present
Mike Reynolds Present
Gary Wilson Present

STAFF PRESENT: Joe Guzzetta, General Manager

Susan Greer, Assistant General Manager/Controller

Marie Salsberry, Executive Secretary

CONSULTANTS PRESENT: Gil Granito, District Counsel

Mike Metts, Engineer

Mark Messersmith, Engineer

Kathleen Radnich, Public Outreach Consultant

GUESTS 7

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MSC Long/Luckman 5/0 to approve the agenda for the special meeting of June 13, 2012.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Jim Ventura, Joshua Tree resident and representative of Division 2 of Mojave Water Agency commented on the importance of the recharge project to the community. He noted the importance of regional projects such as the Ames/Reche project and stated that projects such as these are instrumental in bringing grant monies to our area.

Josh Canady of Fatty's Fence/Wonder Valley Fence commented on the fence specifications, te bid closing date and that having a contractor from out of the area do the recharge fence project creates additional cost.

6. Director Coate reported that the Ad Hoc Board Recharge Committee, the general manager and the engineer met regarding this issue and determined a recommendation to accept the bid of Westbrook Fence Incorporated. Director Long expressed concern about liability in the future if the fencing specs were to be changed from the engineer's specifications. Legal Counsel Gil Granito reported that there is no statute mandating these standards for fencing; however if an incident was to occur resulting in an injury it would be relevant in a court of law; if the District deviated from the green book "standard specifications for public works construction" an argument might be present for liability.

Discussion ensued.

MSC Reynolds/Wilson 2/3 to reject all bids and re-advertise the project locally and contact local contractors. The motion failed with the following vote:

Coate

No

Long No
Luckman No
Reynolds Aye
Wilson Aye

MSC Coate/Long 4/1 to accept the bid of Westbrook Fence Incorporated in the amount of \$112,564 to install fencing for the recharge site.

- 7. GM Guzzetta noted the groundwater recharge project is out to bid; he introduced Mike Metts of Dudek and Mark Messersmith of Krieger and Stewart who presented information on studies and other preparation for construction of the project and the project design.
- 8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Joe Guzzetta, General Manager

The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled for June 20, 2012 at 7:00 pm.