

**JOSHUA BASIN WATER DISTRICT**  
**Minutes of the**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**January 18, 2012**

**1. CALL TO ORDER: 7:02 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  
Randy Little, Water Production Supervisor  
Keith Faul, GIS Coordinator  
Marie Salsberry, Executive Secretary

**CONSULTANTS PRESENT:**

Gil Granito, District Counsel  
Kathleen Radnich, Public Outreach Consultant

**GUESTS 13**

**4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MSC Long/Luckman 5/0 to approve the agenda for the January 18, 2012 Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors.

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**6. CONSENT CALENDAR**

MSC Long/Luckman 5/0 to approve the minutes of the December 7, 2011 Regular Board Meeting; to approve the minutes of the December 14, 2011 Regular Adjourned Board Meeting; to approve the Minutes of the January 4, 2012 Regular Board Meeting; to approve the Financial Report for November 2011; and to approve the Check Audit Report (Demand list) for December 2011.

**7. INSPECTION, REHABILITATION, AND REPAIR OF WELL 10**

JBWD Water Production Supervisor Randy Little reported and introduced Keith Collier of Legend Well and Pump Service who elaborated on testing and assessment of the condition of the well, and the maintenance and repair proposal. Discussion followed. Director Wilson requested Well 11 be assessed and an estimate given for it; General Manager Joe Guzzetta and Mr. Collier agreed. GM Guzzetta noted staff is considering putting the wells on an increased preventive maintenance program.

MSC Luckman/ Wilson 5/0 to approve staff recommendation to retain Legend Pump and Well Service, Inc. to inspect, rehabilitate, and repair Well 10 at a cost not to exceed \$50,056 to be funded from unappropriated reserve funds.

**8. RESOLUTION FOR BUREAU OF RECLAMATION GRANT PROPOSAL**

GM Guzzetta reported; there was no Board discussion.

MSC Long/Coate 4/1 to approve staff recommendation to adopt Resolution 12-881 authorizing submittal of a grant proposal for \$3,135,600 to the Bureau of Reclamation for the Groundwater Recharge Project.

Coate	Aye
Long	Aye
Luckman	Aye
Reynolds	Aye
Wilson	No

**9. CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION 12-XXX ESTABLISHING THE APPROPRIATION LIMIT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011/2012**

GM Guzzetta Reported.

MSC Coate/Luckman 5/0 to approve staff recommendation to adopt Resolution 12-882 establishing the appropriation limit of the District for fiscal year 2011/2012.

**10. ELECTION OF ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA WATER AGENCY (ACWA) HEALTH BENEFITS AUTHORITY BOAD OF DIRECTORS**

GM Guzzetta reported. Brief discussion ensued.

MSC Long/Luckman 4/1 that the District cast its vote for Judy Corl-Lorono for the vacant Director position on the Association of California Water Agencies Health Benefits Authority.

Coate	Aye
Long	Aye
Luckman	Aye
Reynolds	Aye
Wilson	No

**11. PRIORITY SERVICE FOR LOWER INCOME HOUSING PROJECTS**

GM Guzzetta reported, noting that JBWD adopted the original resolution in 2006 and that consideration of lower income housing was included in the updated Urban Water Management Plan the Board approved last year.

MSC Luckman/Long 5/0 to approve staff recommendation to adopt Resolution 12-883 reaffirming similar action taken in 2006 to provide priority service for lower income housing projects in compliance with California law.

**12. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. **Public Information Committee:** Public Outreach consultant Kathleen Radnich reported the Public Information Committee will meet on January 23 to explore options for public involvement in relocation of native vegetation from the recharge project site. Docents will meet February 10. The local water agency tour for 2012 is being planned.
- B. **Ad Hoc General Manager Performance Facilitated Review Process:** President Reynolds reported the review is in process and 22 individuals were interviewed.
- C. **Ad Hoc Recharge Basin Site Vegetation:** Vice President Luckman reported that the Public Information Committee will discuss ideas for places to relocate native plants from the recharge project site; Director Coate reported the committee discussed sharing some of the local plants with the community.

### **13. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

### **14. PROJECT PRIORITY LIST**

GM Guzzetta reported. The Board and General Manager discussed projects on the list.

### **15. GENERAL MANAGER REPORT**

GM Guzzetta reported crews will be doing final potholing on highway over the next week for the recharge project. Krieger and Steward will finalize the plans and District staff is looking forward to going out to bid on the project. He reported that 2012 Alliance for Water Awareness and Conservation (AWAC) calendars are available at the District.

### **16. DISTRICT COUNSEL REPORT**

District Legal Counsel Gil Granito reported on a recent Attorney General opinion regarding real estate negotiations during closed session and on Assembly Bill 436 regarding prevailing wages.

### **17. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no requests for future agenda items.

### **18. DIRECTORS COMMENTS/REPORTS**

Open Space Committee Status Report: Mickey Luckman, Vice President: Vice President Luckman reported JBWD is a member of the Open Space Committee; the committee printed and distributed a report prematurely and it is back with the committee for further review; President Luckman and Kathleen Radnich will work on including language addressing water.

President Reynolds reported attending the Mojave Water Agency (MWA) Board meeting where he introduced Director Coate. The redistricting process at MWA is an item of concern as JBWD currently has wonderful representation and wants to ensure that for future.

Director Coate reported on attending the MWA Board meeting where a presentation was given by Beacon Economics on assessed valuation forecast; they forecast a turnaround by 2014 or 2015. A water reservoir belonging to MWA at Aberdeen and Warren Vista will be rehabbed by March. MWA is concerned about a possible reoccurrence of drought conditions. Director Coate thanked Jim Ventura for his years of service and hard work for JBWD.

### **19. CLOSED SESSION**

A. Closed Session to confer with Legal Counsel on existing litigation pursuant to subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9. (Re Joshua Basin Water District v. Robert Ellis, San Bernardino Superior Court - Joshua Tree District, Case No. CIVMS 900168).

B. Closed Session to confer with Legal Counsel on existing litigation pursuant to subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9. (Re Joshua Basin Water District v. Ironhead LLC a California Limited Liability Company, Praxedes Beard and Does 1 – 10 inclusive, San Bernardino Superior Court - Joshua Tree District, Case No. CIVMS 1100087).

There was no Closed Session.

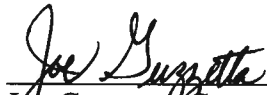
**20. REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION**

There was no closed session report. GM Guzzetta thanked the Board for embracing the Directors Best Practices, noting that Director Coate called ahead to discuss any of his concerns and questions with the General Manager prior to tonight's meeting.

**21. ADJOURNMENT 8:07 PM**

MSC Long/Coate 5/0 to adjourn the January 18, 2012 Regular Meeting of the Joshua Basin Water District Board of Directors.

Respectfully submitted;



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Joe Guzzetta, General Manager

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled for Wednesday February 1, 2012 at 7:00 pm.