



JOSHUA BASIN WATER DISTRICT

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JOSHUA BASIN WATER DISTRICT
SPECIAL AND REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
WEDNESDAY MAY 19, 2010
61750 CHOLLITA ROAD, JOSHUA TREE, CA 92252

NOTE: A Special Meeting Will be Held beginning at 6:00 pm

THE REGULAR MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 7:00 PM

SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

6:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. DETERMINATION OF QUORUM
4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
5. PUBLIC COMMENT
6. CLOSED SESSION
Conference with labor negotiator regarding General Unit; pursuant to Government Code 54957.6. District negotiator: Joe Guzzetta
7. ADJOURNMENT

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

7:00 PM

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| Pages 1-9 | 6. APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR
Recommend that the Board interview applicants and select Director to fill seat vacated by the resignation of Gary Given, or continue the appointment to the next meeting. |
| Pages 10-11 | 7. CONSIDER EXTENSION OF AGREEMENT WITH PUBLIC INFORMATION CONSULTANT PENDING APPROVAL OF THE 2010/2011 BUDGET
Recommend that the Board approve extension of the agreement pending approval of the 2010/2011 budget. |
| Pages 12-13 | 8. PROJECT PRIORITY LIST
An update on staff's progress with assigned projects. |
| | 9. PUBLIC COMMENT |
| | 10. GENERAL MANAGER REPORT |
| | 11. DIRECTORS COMMENTS/REPORTS |
| | 12. ADJOURNMENT |

The Board of Directors reserves the right to take action on items reserved for discussion only.

INFORMATION

During either "Public Comment" Item, please use the podium microphone. State your name and have your information prepared and be ready to provide your comments to the Board. The District is interested and appreciates your comments. A 3-minute time limit may be imposed. Thank you.

Any person with a disability who requires accommodation in order to participate in this meeting should telephone Joshua Basin Water District at (760) 366-8438, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting in order to make a request for a disability-related modification or accommodation.

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JOSHUA BASIN WATER DISTRICT
SUPPLEMENTAL DATA SHEET

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

May 19, 2010

Report to: President and Members of the Board
From: Joe Guzzetta, General Manager

TOPIC: APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board conduct interviews of three candidates for the vacant Board seat, and make an appointment, or continue the appointment to the next meeting.

ANALYSIS: Last month the Board determined to fill the seat on the Board vacated by the resignation of Director Gary Given. The position has been advertised in accordance with state law. Three applications were received before the deadline.

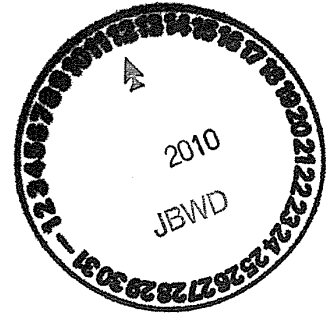
At this meeting the Board will have the opportunity to interview the three candidates. The Board has the options of appointing at this meeting or continuing the appointment to a later meeting.

The interviews must be conducted in open public session to comply with the Brown Act. However, the Board may request that each candidate remain outside the Board Room until they have been interviewed, out of courtesy to the other two candidates and in order for none of the candidates have an advantage of hearing other interviews before their own.

If an appointment is made the candidate will take seat at the next Board Meeting.

Robert. A. Johnson

HCR Box 3039
Joshua Tree, Ca. 92252
May 12, 2010



Joshua Basin Water District
Board of Directors:

My name is Robert Johnson and I have been a resident of Joshua Tree, California since 1993. I am currently employed at the Marine Corps Combat Center, Twentynine Palms, Ca. in the Community Plans and Liaison Office. I have been a Federal Employee for approximately 15 years. I also serve as a California Army National Guard Officer (Colonel) and have 30 years of service and will retire from the military in March 2011.

I have managerial and supervisory experience at the senior level in both the civilian and the military community, which I believe will assist and provide competent and time tested leadership to serve as a member of the Joshua Basin Water District.

As a resident of Joshua Tree, I am concerned about the future of our community and believe that our local water is our most precious resource. Proper stewardship and management are essential to preserving our current and future way of life. I would like to serve the water district and my local community. I feel that if selected as a Board Member, I can provide representation, vision and accountability to the citizens of the district.

Respectfully,

Bob Johnson

RESUME

Robert Alan Johnson

HCR Box 3039
Joshua Tree, Ca 92252

November 21, 2008

Formal Education

1983-1985 Azusa Pacific University, Azusa, Ca.	MA MFCC
1977-1980 Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena, Ca. Theology	M. Divinity.
1973-1975 San Diego State University, San Diego, Ca. Welfare	BA Social
1971-1973 Southwestern Junior College, Chula Vista, Ca. Services	AA Social

Credentials

Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (MFT #23984)
California State Certified Junior College Teacher (Psychology/Counseling)
Department of the Navy, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery
Certified Clinical Supervisor (CCS #40)
Alcohol and Drug Counselor, ADC II (#0237)
Ordained Presbyterian Minister (PCUSA-1981)

Professional Experience

2009-Present **Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center
G-5 Community Liaison and Plans
Twentynine Palms, Calif.**

- Serves as G-5 Encroachment Program Manager: for monitoring and reporting on encroachment activities and/or incompatible land use development activities near the base that could affect its mission, training ranges and special use airspace and maneuver areas.

2004-2008 **California Army National Guard
(JFHQ) Joint Forces Headquarters,
Sacramento, Calif.**

- JFHQ State Chaplain (Colonel): ISO/Contingency Operations mobilization: Supervision, administration, support; Army Reserve National Guard, Air National Guard, and State Military Reserve (RST) Religious Support Teams. Brief Adjutant General and senior staff; moral, ethics, religious issues. Coordinate mobilizations-deployments; state / national defense, crisis-emergency support. (LNO) Liaison Officer, National Guard Bureau, NGB-OC. Oversight Religious /Spiritual Programs

1996-2003

**Department of Defense/Department of the Navy
Marine Air Ground Task Force Training Command,
Twentynine Palms, Ca.
Program Manager, Intervention and Treatment Center**

- Supervise Family Advocacy Program, domestic violence services, administration and clinical supervision of staff.
- Supervise the Drug and Alcohol Treatment Program, treatment, administration and clinical supervision of staff.

1994-1996

**Department of Defense / Department of the Navy
Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center, 29 Palms, Ca
Clinical Supervisor / Family Advocacy Counselor**

- Provided therapeutic services to active duty Marines and their families.
- Cases involved: domestic violence / spouse abuse, child abuse / neglect

1993-1994

**Union Rescue Mission, Los Angeles, Ca.
Director of Recovery Programs**

- Program Director residential homeless recovery program, educational center and satellite outreach services. Worked with various civic, non-profit and religious faith groups. Serviced 300+ live-in residents and accommodated hundreds daily.

1992-1993

United States Army, Taskforce Rushmore/ Fuertes Caminos

- Humanitarian military mission in the Republic of Panama

1990-1991

United States Army, Operation Desert Shield / Storm / Farewell

- Federal activation from California Army National Guard to full time service.

1983- Current

California Army National Guard / JFHQ State Chaplain

1979-1993 **Pastoral Church Experience:** Youth Group Leader, College Age/
Junior High School Facilitator, Seminary Intern, Chula Vista, San Mario, Ordained
Associate Pastor, Arcadia Presbyterian Church

1968-1971

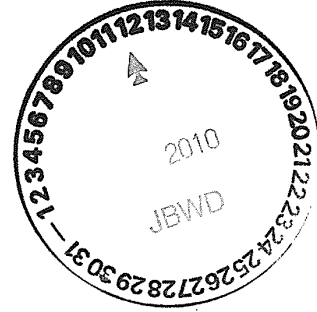
United States Army, Sergeant (E-5), Honorable Discharge

* References available upon request.

I am interested in volunteering for the position of director of the Joshua Basin Water District. I have been involved in attending meetings for almost 3 years and would like to contribute to the long term success of the district.

Steven Whitman
Steven Whitman

S-12-2010

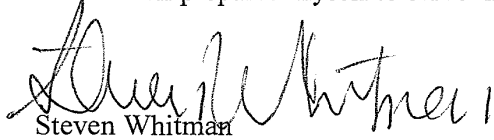


Resume:

I have been attending the meetings of the JBWD for almost 3 years. I have been a member of the Citizens Advisory Committee for the same length of time.

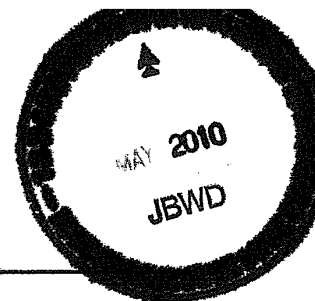
I have attended the Riverside Water Symposiums in both 2008 and 2009, as well as the San Bernardino Water Conferences during the same years. I have also attended numerous Mojave Water Agencies events.

I have well prepared myself to serve the district.


Steven Whitman

12-2010

LINDA J. FISHER



May 10, 2010

Board of Directors
Joshua Basin Water District
61750 Chollita Road
Joshua Tree, CA 92252

Dear Board Members,

I recently learned that there is a vacancy on the Joshua Tree Basin Water District Board. Enclosed is my application for appointment to the Board.

Restoration of creeks, groundwater capture, and water retention is critical for California.

My experience in retention/wastewater/groundwater/storm water monitoring and treatment systems, environmental and remediation knowledge came from having been involved with water agencies throughout the state of California, working with Federal Appropriations leadership, Congressman Ken Calvert, and others, including state leadership, who have supported, and continue to support, the efforts of water conservation and reuse. Understanding and knowing the southern California area well, my leadership in the water industry and issues of environmental and remediation have prepared me for this appointment. As a resident in the High Desert I have established relationships with decision makers in the industry. My goal is to promote the needs of Joshua Basin Water District and the residents we serve.

During my tenure with Congressman Ken Calvert I developed a strategic sense that makes me a value-added and innovative solutions leader, combined with the proven ability to comprehend and manage multiple tasks effectively. My experience in working with local, state and federal government issues, elected officials and staff, gives me the opportunity to integrate my knowledge and skills with a minimal learning curve to support my goal of actively contributing to meet and implement company and region goals.

My expertise in building regional coalitions to support company objectives is a strength I have used on diverse issues in the Inland Empire. Leading the efforts to support regional transportation goals, Endangered Species/Environmental solutions, BRAC, land planning and development by managing external communications is a skill I have honed during my work history.

I am that rare team leader with both the creativity to envision the big picture and to understand the details that are essential to making successful, positive decisions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Linda J. Fisher'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Linda J. Fisher

Linda J. Fisher

Objective

Appointment to Board of Directors, Joshua Basin Water District

Summary of Qualifications

- 19 years experience as an organized, energetic, focused professional with a balance of technical and marketing skills
- Established rapport with Federal, State and local elected officials, with full understanding of funding processes
- Skilled in identifying business, and partnership opportunities, and following through to enhance new business opportunities
- A self-motivated, dynamic team leader, able to bring energy, enthusiasm, and humor to motivate team members to achieve potential and meet objectives
- Creative communicator and presenter, able to establish rapport with individuals and groups at all organizational levels, in both the public and private sectors
- A reputation for perseverance and success in problem resolution in a positive, productive manner

Core Competencies

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| -Business Development | -Legislative Relationships | -Communications |
| -Marketing | -Positioning | -Events Planning |
| -Network Building | -Branding | -Public/Media Relations |
| -Community Involvement | -Environmental/Regulatory/Permitting | |
| | -Remediation/Restoration | |

Professional Experience

2009-Present

Southern California Edison

Strategic Communications Manager: responsible for Government and Public Education planning and implementation for elected officials, community leaders and stakeholders. Strategic Communications Planning, Development, and Execution for Renewables and Infrastructure, focusing on short and long term business goals for SCE Service Territory.

2006-2008

Jacobs Engineering, Inc

Business Development Manager, Inland Empire, specializing in engineering, planning and construction management for the transportation, water resources and transit markets (public and private clients)

- **Key Inland Empire Business Development:** Expanded business development market with transportation authorities, county and city managers and public works directors in the Inland Empire

- **Experienced Strategic Market Planner:** Successful development of a strategy and market plan to promote company image, maintain budget controls, expand public relations and company awareness with public and private sector markets
- **Proven Communicator:** External and internal communications with executive leadership with company, local government, industry issues and core clients
- **Experienced Proposal Management:** Directed proposal/SOQ preparation, interview preparation and coaching of teams
- **Accomplished Team Leader:** Coached and mentored engineers, professional colleagues and staff in:
 - Targets/Selection
 - Evaluate Competition
 - Client concerns
 - Elements of Sales Calls
 - Proposal Development
 - Partnership Agreements
- **Achievement in Proposal Leadership:** Short list hit rate of 95%
- **Sales Accomplishments:** Awarded \$750 M contracts in new business

1993-2006

Congressman Ken Calvert, 44th Congressional District, U.S. House of Representatives

District Director, responsible for management of two district offices, in Riverside and Orange Counties

- **Key Spokesman for the Congressman:** Worked with the business and community leaders in Riverside, Orange and San Bernardino Counties
- **Experienced Project Coordinator:** Worked on large projects, demonstrated ability to work with multiple parties/stakeholders on projects that require tenacity and perseverance
- **Funding Acquisition Experience:** Coordinated Water Agencies, throughout the state of California, to acquire funding for water projects through Committee approvals and supported by State and Federal leadership
- **Legislative Liaison:** Promoted the CalFed legislation with Water Resource Agencies, government officials and public works directors in the state of California.
- **Proven Communicator:** Communication skills and partnership capabilities successfully achieved positive and productive resolutions with local and federal agencies
- **Organized Manager:** Quickly assessed needs and provided tools to resolve difficulties, enhance learning and improve performance of personnel
- **Utility Coordinator:** Coordinated mitigation and agreement for major gas company to install gas pipeline through endangered species habitat
- **Community Organizer:** Coordinated community support for retention of two military bases in the Inland Empire
- **Military Coordinator:** Brought together Department of Defense, Army Reserve, Navy Reserve, Army National Guard and March Joint Powers Authority and community for development of a "joint-use" facility, in preparation for BRAC
- **Environmental Organizer:** Defined and promoted CETAP, RCIP and the Riverside County Multi-Species Habitat Plan with city councils, city managers and constituents in the 44th Congressional District

Education

- Saddleback College – Business Studies
- Home Federal Savings and Loan – Business and Financial Studies
- Business and Marketing Courses, Ongoing
- Media Training
- Leadership Training


References from Elected Officials

Available Upon Request

JOSHUA BASIN WATER DISTRICT
SUPPLEMENTAL DATA SHEET

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

May 19, 2010

To: President and Board of Directors
From: Susan Greer 



TOPIC: Consider Extension Of Agreement With Public Information Consultant Pending Approval Of The 2010/2011 Budget.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve extension of agreement with Kathleen Radnich pending approval of the 2010/2011 budget.

ANALYSIS: The Board approved a 6-month agreement for public information consulting services on November 18, 2009 at an estimated cost of \$25,000. The reason for the 6-month temporary services was to help develop a public information program, determine if there is an ongoing need for such services and what those services should consist of. We contracted with Kathleen Radnich and her first day of work was December 6th. The 6-month period initially authorized is expiring and the Board needs to consider an extension of those services.

Highlights of Kathleen's accomplishments during the 6-month period are provided below:

- Organized and coordinated successful demonstration garden grand opening
- Developed garden docent concept, resulting in recruitment of 10 volunteer docents.
- Currently using docents to operate Hydration Station at the Saturday Farmer's Market, evaluating public response
- Outreach to local and national publications such as Sunset Magazine, National Geographic's Water for Tomorrow, Westways and Sun Runner resulting in some online and print coverage.
- Wrote several press releases, some of which were used by local media.

While costs for the public information services were estimated at \$25,000, thus far we have actually paid Kathleen about \$8,300 and projecting another \$2,000 through the end of the contract period for a total \$10,300. We have incurred another \$500 or less in other miscellaneous costs associated with her work (office supplies, etc.). That total cost is less than half of what was

authorized.

Kathleen has provided her proposed public information plan, which will be discussed at an upcoming Public Information Committee meeting. Although the Committee has not formally made a recommendation to approve the plan going forward, they believe informing the public about water issues to be extremely worthwhile. The Committee proposes that the contract be continued for the next year at an estimated cost of \$25,000.

Public outreach, whether provided by a consultant or District staff, is being favorably received. Letters from JT Elementary School after the recent water education day, surveys and feedback after the recent Water Policy Forum, Morongo Basin ABC's of Water Tour and Garden Grand Opening indicate that the public is thirsty (pardon the pun) for information, appreciates our efforts and wants even more. Unfortunately, staff time is limited for such tasks and previous to Kathleen, public information and outreach was sporadic at best. Having a local, motivated consultant such as Kathleen has made the difference; allowing us to provide outreach on a consistent, cost-effective basis.

Because there are funds remaining in the current budget already authorized for this purpose, Staff proposes that we extend the current contract, pending approval of the 2010/2011 budget, so that services are not interrupted.

FISCAL IMPACT: None, budget already authorized and not spent.

Project Priority List

PROJECTS NEARING COMPLETION

Miscellaneous Pipeline Replacement Project: Juniper north of Hwy 62, Veterans Way and Center St. between Chollita Rd. and Commercial St., easement behind Hwy 62 (south side) between El Reposo Circle and Sunset Rd., easement behind Hwy 62 (south side) Conejo Ave. and Outpost Rd; Torres Ave., Division St., San Angelo Way; Sunflower Rd., Sun Mesa Rd. between Sunever Ave. and Sun Kist Rd.

Project is ready to go to bid, awaiting possible grant funds.

Conduct Fee Study (Susan)

Water rates, capacity and inter-agency fee studies have been completed. Miscellaneous fees are being developed, based upon resources used – staff, vehicle, equipment, etc.

Well #16 (Randy Little)

The well has been completed and is about to go into service pending final electrical connections.

Personnel Policy Manual (Joe Guzzetta)

This will be considered during labor negotiations this year.

PROJECTS UNDERWAY

Emergency Preparedness/Response Exercises

The Board and Citizens Advisory Committee met on May 11 to discuss emergency preparedness.

Final Phase of 4" Pipe Replacement (Joe Guzzetta, Joe Bocanegra, Keith Faul)

Priorities have been established. Engineering RFP for 100,000 feet of pipe is nearing completion. Construction is pending a financial strategy to be considered by the Board.

Record Archival System (Susan)

Staff had second presentation.

Recharge Site Evaluation/USGS Study

Property has been purchased. Monitoring well has been installed. Contract for final engineering should be awarded by June pending EPA approval. Construction is contingent on Proposition 84 and other funding.

C-2 Tank Relocation (Joe Bocanegra)

Ready to go to bid pending funding. A USDA Grant Pre-Application has been submitted for this project.

PROJECTS NOT BEGUN

Develop/Update Board Policies and Procedures (Susan Greer)

Update 3030 Plan (Joe Guzzetta)

Staff intends to solicit proposals for this project.

Election to Charge Private Wells for Replacement Water

Attorney is reviewing election options.

PROJECTS COMPLETED

- **Conservation Landscape Demonstration Garden & Residential Landscape Designs**

Construction is substantially complete with remaining plant material to be installed as soon as available.

Land Use/Water Policy Forum (Joe Guzzetta)

Completed February 18 & 19 2010.

Implement “Best Management Practices” of the California Urban Water Conservation Council (Terry Spurrier)

Completed.

Complete Wastewater Treatment Strategy and Implementation Mechanisms (Joe Guzzetta, Susan Greer, Joe Bocanegra)

The Board adopted the Wastewater Strategy at the July 15th, 2009 meeting.

Package Treatment Plant Policy Regarding Construction and Maintenance

Complete with Board’s adoption of the Wastewater Treatment Strategy

Site Security and Telemetry System Upgrades:

Enhancements to security including motion sensors and intrusion alarms: complete.

Tank Recoating (Joe Bocanegra)

Completed and has been put into routine maintenance program.

Replace Accounting Mainframe (Susan)

First water bills using new system were mailed.

Emergency Generator (Joe Bocanegra)

Generators have been delivered.

Remote Meter Policy (Susan)

Board has adopted revised policy.

Website Development /Establish District Public Information Program (Joe Guzzetta)

The website is up and running.

Property Acquisition for Future Water Facilities

Property acquisition consultant was selected at the September 9th Board meeting.

Construction of H Zone Phase II Pipeline Replacement Project

Completed. Notice of Completion filed.

Replace Line Printer (Susan)

Replaced with smaller printers.

Develop Cross-Connection Control Program

Program is being implemented.

Replace JD310 Tractor

Complete.

Replace Septic Tank at Shop

Complete.

Sewer Management Authority

LAFCO designated JBWD as the wastewater authority on August 15th.

Construction of H Zone Phase I Pipeline Replacement Project

Construction of Phase I is complete.

Well 17 Wellhead Construction

Well became operational in July.

Organization Study

Completed. Staff is implementing the study.

Closed Circuit Security System

Video monitoring system is in place.

Safety Consultant; Program

Initial safety plans are complete.