

JOSHUA BASIN WATER DISTRICT
Minutes of the
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

January 4, 2017

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** 6:30 PM

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **DETERMINATION OF QUORUM:**

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| Victoria Fuller | Present |
| Geary Hund | Present |
| Bob Johnson | Present |
| Mickey Luckman | Present |
| Rebecca Unger | Present |

STAFF PRESENT: Curt Sauer, General Manager
Anne Roman, Accountant
Beverly Waszak, Executive Assistant

CONSULTANTS PRESENT: Gil Granito, General Counsel, Redwine & Sherrill
Kathleen Radnich, Public Outreach Consultant
Chris Brown, Fedak & Brown, LLP

GUESTS 2

4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA –
MSC/ Luckman/Johnson 5/0 to approve the January 4, 2017 Agenda**

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| Fuller | Aye |
| Hund | Aye |
| Luckman | Aye |
| Johnson | Aye |
| Unger | Aye |

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT –**
Peter Sullivan, Joshua Tree voiced his frustration at the amount of time it has taken him to receive a water meter.

PUBLIC COMMENT CLOSED

6. **CONSENT CALENDAR:**
Items on the Consent Calendar are considered routine in nature and will be adopted in total by one action of the Board of Directors unless any Board Member or any individual or organization interested in one or more consent calendar items wishes to be heard.

- Approve Draft Minutes of the December 14, 2016 Special Meeting of the Board of Directors.

MSC/ Luckman/Hund 5/0 to approve the December 14, 2016 Minutes of the Board of Directors.

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| Fuller | Aye |
| Hund | Aye |
| Luckman | Aye |
| Johnson | Aye |
| Unger | Aye |

7. **15/16 AUDIT PRESENTATION FROM FEDAK & BROWN, LLP** – Auditor Chris Brown gave a brief presentation of the audit performed at the JBWD. Mr. Brown reported that the JBWD had zero journal entries and received a clean opinion.
8. **SURPLUS PROPERTY UPDATE** – GM Sauer reported that the surplus property procedures are located in the JBWD Bidding Procedures document as Section 4 (circa 2005). We are not proposing any changes to Sections 1-3, at this time. The current procedure proposed is modeled after the Hi Desert Surplus Property procedure and generally follows other local surplus property procedures. A brief Q&A with the Board followed.

MSC Fuller/Unger 5/0 to approve the updated Surplus Property Procedure.

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| Fuller | Aye |
| Hund | Aye |
| Luckman | Aye |
| Johnson | Aye |
| Unger | Aye |

9. **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**
 - A. **FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING:** Director Fuller and Vice President Johnson. Originally scheduled for January 30, 2017 has been rescheduled to January 23, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.
 - B. **WATER RESOURCES AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE:** President Luckman and Vice President Johnson. Originally scheduled for January 30, 2017 has been rescheduled for January 23, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.
 - C. **LEGISLATIVE AND PUBLIC INFORMATION COMMITTEE:** President Luckman and Director Unger. Kathleen Radnich, Public Outreach Consultant to report. Next meeting is scheduled for February 1, 2017. Kathleen Radnich reported that Friday, January 20, 2017 at 10 a.m. the Docents will be meeting in preparation for Water Education Day. This Spring the District will launch the Joshua Basin Water District Tours and our online conservation school.
10. **DISTRICT GENERAL COUNSEL REPORT - None**
11. **GENERAL MANAGER REPORT-** GM Sauer reported that water conservation for the month of December was 17.10% which is close to our voluntary conservation target of 20%.
12. **FUTURE DIRECTOR MEETINGS AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES**
 - Mojave Water Agency Board of Directors Meeting – January 12, 2017 – President Luckman and Director Hund
 - ASBCSD – January 23, 2017, Antonio’s Restaurant Rancho Cucamonga –
13. **DIRECTOR REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED, COMMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Director Unger – No report
Vice President Johnson – No report
Director Fuller stated that answering the ethnicity question on the customer water form is voluntary, but we are required to ask to meet Federal Guidelines.
Director Hund commented on the article in the Washington Post about the California state plan to make water conservation a way of life.

President Luckman gave a brief report on the TAC meeting for MWA and referenced two USGS reports on subsidence. President Luckman also commented on State Bill 1263 that does not allow new construction to have hauled water. She stated that the MWA has grant opportunities but that they strongly suggested that you hire a grant writer in order to have the best chance at winning a grant.

14. **CLOSED SESSION**

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – POTENTIAL LITIGATION: Mr. Granito stated that, as required by Government Code Section 54956.96(2), the record should reflect that as this time the Board will go into Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 to consult with legal counsel on a matter of potential litigation. One matter concerning the receipt of a letter from Layne Christensen Company dated December 14, 2016 notifying JBWD of its intention not to provide any further disinfection work on Well 14 on the purported basis of impossibility and/or impracticality.

15. **CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

At approximately 7:16 p.m., the Board of Directors went into Closed Session as reflected in Item 14 of tonight's Agenda. During the Closed Session, the District's General Counsel and General Manager led a discussion on a matter of potential litigation. No further reportable action was taken. The Closed Session ended at approximately 7:50 p.m. and the Board returned to Regular Session.

ADJOURNMENT

MSC Fuller/Unger 5/0 to approve the updated Surplus Property Procedure.

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| Fuller | Aye |
| Hund | Aye |
| Luckman | Aye |
| Johnson | Aye |
| Unger | Aye |

Respectfully submitted:


Curt Sauer, GM and Board Secretary