

SAWPA COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES NOVEMBER 21, 2017

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Susan Lien Longville, Chair, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District

Ronald W. Sullivan, Vice Chair, Eastern Municipal Water District

Kati Parker, Alternate, Inland Empire Utilities Agency Philip L. Anthony, Orange County Water District Thomas P. Evans, Western Municipal Water District

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT

Jasmin A. Hall, Secretary-Treasurer, Inland Empire Utilities Agency

ALTERNATE COMMISSIONERS

PRESENT; NON-VOTING Gil Navarro, Alternate, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District

Bruce Whitaker, Alternate, Orange County Water District

STAFF PRESENT

Karen Williams, Larry McKenney, Mark Norton, Carlos Quintero, Regina

Patterson

The Regular Commission Meeting of the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority was called to order at 9:32 a.m. by Chair Longville at the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority, 11615 Sterling Avenue, Riverside, California.

1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. ROLL CALL

Roll call was duly noted and recorded by the acting Clerk of the Board.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: NOVEMBER 7, 2017

B. TREASURER'S REPORT – OCTOBER 2017

MOVED, approve the Consent Calendar.

Result:

Adopted (Unanimously)

Motion/Second:

Anthony/Sullivan

Ayes:

Anthony, Evans, Longville, Parker, Sullivan

Nays:

None

Abstentions:

None

Absent:

None

5. **NEW BUSINESS**

FISCAL YEAR 2016-17 REPORT ON AUDIT (2017.137)

White Nelson Diehl Evans LLP managing partner Nitin Patel provided an oral presentation on the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017, including the Report on Audit. An opinion was issued, the financial statements presented fairly in all material respects, the financial position of SAWPA and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows for the FYE June 30, 2017 are in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Also issued was a report in accordance with Government Auditing Standards on their consideration of SAWPA's internal control over financial reporting and their tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, grant agreements, etc. There were no internal control deficiencies or internal weaknesses reported. Finally, relative to significant audit findings and quality aspects of accounting practices, there were no difficulties in performing the audit; key values and assumptions were evaluated and found to be reasonable.

MOVED, approve the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017, which includes the Report on the Audit prepared by White Nelson Diehl Evans LLP, and:

- 1. Accept the CAFR, including the Report on Audit as prepared by White Nelson Diehl Evans:
- 2. Direct Staff to file the Report with the respective government agencies as required by law; and,
- 3. Direct staff to submit the CAFR, with any necessary changes, for the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting Award.

Result:

Adopted (Unanimously)

Motion/Second:

Sullivan/Anthony

Ayes:

Anthony, Evans, Longville, Parker, Sullivan

Navs:

None None

Abstentions:

Absent:

None

OWOW PLAN UPDATE 2018 STATUS (CM#2017.141)

Mark Norton provided a PowerPoint presentation on the status of the OWOW Plan Update 2018, including a progress report on Pillar activities. An updated version of the OWOW Goals and Objectives, revised at the November 16, 2017 OWOW Steering Committee, was provided. Referring to the Pillar activities progress report, Commissioner Evans asked why "climate change response" and "data management & monitoring" were so far behind the others. Norton replied that while there have been delays, staff is working with them to progress forward. Relative to the introductory paragraph of the Goals and Objectives (the language was also reflected on the Vision slide of Norton's PowerPoint presentation), Commissioner Evans noted that the OWOW Steering Committee had requested staff change the wording "economic prosperity" to "quality of life." Commissioner Evans stated we should celebrate these Goals and Objectives and move forward. Norton emphasized the Goals and Objectives are not the project selection criteria for funding in the next round. Commissioner Evans recommended Larry McKenney provide the Commission with the same presentation given to the OWOW Steering Committee at the November 16 meeting.

Norton reported the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation has notified SAWPA there are extra funds available. They indicated they would look at the work accomplished under OWOW 2.0 for Climate Change Response and make sure it is in conformance with standards.

This presentation was for informational and discussion purposes; no action was taken on Agenda Item No. 5.B.

6. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

The following oral/written reports/updates were received and filed.

- A. INTER-FUND BORROWING SEPTEMBER 2017 (CM#2017.138)
- B. <u>PERFORMANCE INDICATORS/FINANCIAL REPORTING SEPTEMBER 2017</u> (CM#2017.139)
- C. FIRST QUARTER FYE 2018 EXPENSE REPORTS
- D. <u>BUDGET VS ACTUAL VARIANCE REPORT FYE 2018 FIRST QUARTER ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 (CM#2017.140)</u>
- E. FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE FIRST QUARTER ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2017
- F. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT
- G. SAWPA GENERAL MANAGERS MEETING NOTES NOVEMBER 14, 2017
- H. STATE LEGISLATIVE REPORT
- I. CHAIR'S COMMENTS/REPORT

There were no comments/reports from the Chair.

J. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

There were no Commissioners' comments.

K. COMMISSIONERS' REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no additional requests for future agenda items.

7. CLOSED SESSION

Chair Longville recessed the meeting to Closed Session at 10:11 a.m. Designated personnel essential to the discussion of Agenda Item No. 7.A. were present during Closed Session.

A. <u>CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(d)(1)</u>

Name of Case: Spiniello Companies v. Charles King Company, Inc., Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority, The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company (Superior Court of Los Angeles BC616589)

Chair Longville resumed Open Session at 10:34 a.m. There was no reportable action.

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for review, Chair Longville adjourned the meeting at 10:34 a.m.

Approved at a Regular Meeting of the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority Commission on Tuesday, December 5, 2017.

Susan Lien Longville, Chair

Clerk of the Board