

SAWPA COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES MAY 5, 2020

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

David J. Slawson, Chair, Eastern Municipal Water District Kati Parker, Vice Chair, Inland Empire Utilities Agency

Kelly E. Rowe, Secretary-Treasurer, Orange County Water District

Brenda Dennstedt, Western Municipal Water District

T. Milford Harrison, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT

None.

ALTERNATE COMMISSIONERS

PRESENT; NON-VOTING

June D. Hayes, Alternate, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District

STAFF PRESENT

Rich Haller, Karen Williams, Mark Norton, David Ruhl, Carlos Quintero,

Dean Unger, Lucas Gilbert, Kelly Berry

OTHERS PRESENT

Andrew D. Turner, Lagerlof, LLP

The Regular Commission meeting of the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority was called to order at 9:31 a.m. by Chair Slawson on behalf of the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority, 11615 Sterling Avenue, Riverside, California. The record will reflect this meeting was conducted virtually.

1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pursuant to the provisions of Executive Order N-25-30 issued by Governor Gavin Newsom on March 12, 2020, and Executive Order N-29-20 issued by Governor Gavin Newsom on March 17, 2020, any Commission member may call into the Commission meeting without otherwise complying with the Brown Act's teleconferencing requirements.

Executive Order N-33-20 issued by Governor Gavin Newsom on March 19, 2020, ordered all individuals to stay at home or at their place of residence. In concert with state and local efforts to prevent the spread of COVID-19, and until further notice, the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority will be holding all Board and Committee meetings by teleconference and virtually through the Zoom app.

As set forth on the posted meeting agenda, this Commission meeting was accessible to the public by teleconference and through Zoom. Members of the public who were unable to participate by teleconference or virtually were invited to submit comments and questions in writing via email for the Commission's consideration. All votes taken during this meeting were conducted via oral roll call.

2. ROLL CALL

An oral roll call was duly noted and recorded by the Clerk of the Board.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments; there were no public comments received via email.

4. ITEMS TO BE ADDED OR DELETED

There were no added or deleted items.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: APRIL 21, 2020

Recommendation: Approve as posted.

B. TREASURER'S REPORT – MARCH 2020

Recommendation: Approve as posted.

MOVED, approve the Consent Calendar.

Result:

Adopted by Roll Call Vote (Unanimously)

Motion/Second:

Harrison/Dennstedt

Ayes:

Dennstedt, Harrison, Parker, Rowe, Slawson

Nays: Abstentions:

None None

Absent:

None

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. COVID-19 EMERGENCY DECLARATION | STATUS UPDATE

Rich Haller provided an oral status update on SAWPA's response to the COVID-19 emergency declaration. Morale remains high; staff are healthy and SAWPA continues to primarily work remotely utilizing Zoom virtual meeting software. SAWPA will plan staff's return to the office pursuant to applicable guidelines as they are issued.

This item was for informational and discussion purposes; no action was taken on Agenda Item No. 6.A.

B. GRANT OF DEED FROM WESTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT (WMWD) FOR BILLBOARD SITE (CM#2020.30)

Carlos Quintero provided the PowerPoint presentation contained in the agenda packet on pages 18 – 23. Staff will seek Commission approval of project costs in June; construction will commence the end of June and take place during days when the SAWPA office is closed.

MOVED, authorize the General Manager to accept the Grant of Deed from Western Municipal Water District (WMWD) for a portion of APN 132-020-038 (Billboard site); and record the Grant of Deed at the Riverside County Recorder's Office.

Result:

Adopted by Roll Call Vote (Unanimously)

Motion/Second:

Dennstedt/Harrison

Ayes:

Dennstedt, Harrison, Parker, Rowe, Slawson

Nays:

None

Abstentions:

None

Absent:

None

7. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

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

A. CHAIR'S COMMENTS/REPORT

There were no comments/reports from the Chair.

B. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

There were no Commissioner comments.

C. COMMISSIONERS' REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no Commissioner requests for future agenda items.

8. CLOSED SESSION

There was no Closed Session.

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for review, Chair Slawson adjourned the meeting at 9:45 a.m.

Approved at a Regular Meeting of the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority Commission on Tuesday, May 19, 2020.

David J. Slawson, Chair

Attest:

Kelly Berry, CMC Clerk of the Board