

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
INDIAN WELLS VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

January 15, 2010

The Special Board Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Indian Wells Valley Water District was called to order by President Brown at 1:05 p.m. in the Board of Directors Hearing Room, 500 West Ridgecrest Boulevard, Ridgecrest, California.

CALL TO ORDER

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Director Corlett.

ROLL CALL

DIRECTORS PRESENT: President Peter E. Brown
Vice-President Harold W. Manning
Director Margaret (Peggy) L. Breeden
Director Leroy H. Corlett
Director Donald J. Cortichiato

DIRECTORS ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: Charles Beesley, Facilitator;
Jim Worth, Attorney;
Chuck Krieger, Consulting Engineer;
Tom Mulvihill, General Manager;
Larry DeGano, Operations Superintendent;
Jason Lillion, Assistant Operations Superintendent;
Jennifer Keep, Chief Financial Officer;
Reneé Morquecho, District Engineer;
Rose Koch, Recording Secretary

AGENDA DECLARATION

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Recording Secretary, Rose Koch, reported that the agenda for today's Special Board Meeting Workshop was posted on Thursday, January 14, 2010.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

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None.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

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None.

BOARD WORKSHOP

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President Brown introduced Charles Beesley of CBSD Consulting as the Facilitator for the Special Board Meeting Workshop.

Attached is the "Planning Workshop Report Summary" produced by CBSD Consulting, which is herein incorporated with these minutes.

BOARD COMMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

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ADJOURNMENT

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With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned by President Brown at 4:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Rose Koch
Recording Secretary

APPROVED: April 12, 2010

INDIAN WELLS VALLEY WATER DISTRICT PLANNING WORKSHOP REPORT

SUMMARY FOR BOARD MINUTES

BACKGROUND

The Indian Wells Valley Water District (District) conducted a one-day Planning Workshop with the Board of Directors (Board) and Management of the District on January 15, 2010. The purpose of the Workshop was to develop consensus on Board and Management priorities and action plans for the current year and foreseeable future. This report summarizes the discussions and agreements reached during the Workshop.

EXPECTATIONS/WORKSHOP ISSUES/ GOALS & PRIORITIES

Four key issues were posted on the Agenda for discussion, followed by a report on the status of the District's high priority goals for 2009. Participants identified several other topics for discussion at Workshop. A few of these topics were then incorporated into the four key issues, as described below:

1. Mitigation for New Development
2. Hiring a Lobbyist
3. City Concerns with the District Conservation Ordinances 90 and 91
4. Tiered Usage on Water Bills

1 MITIGATION FOR NEW DEVELOPMENT

ISSUE: The District wants to develop a mitigation agreement policy that would apply to the Solar Millennium (SM) project, but more importantly, become a template for all new developments within the District's jurisdiction

AGREEMENT: The District will utilize the SM mitigation data and report format as a baseline to develop a District-wide mitigation policy for new developments.

2 HIRING A LOBBYIST

ISSUE: The District wants to enhance its ability to procure federal funding to offset the costs of capital projects.

AGREEMENT: This issue will be forwarded to the Administrative/Executive Committee by February 2010 for review. The General Manager will contact other water districts to inquire about their lobbyists, and overall productivity.

3 CITY CONCERNS WITH THE DISTRICT CONSERVATION ORDINANCES 90 AND 91

ISSUE: The District adopted ordinances without review by the City's Planning Commission.

AGREEMENTS: The District will do the following:

- 1) Draft an information sheet prior to April 9, 2010;
- 2) Draft a mirror image of the City's Water Conservation Ordinance for Board approval prior to April 9; and
- 3) When all three ordinances are approved by the Board, submit copies to the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA).

4 TIERED USAGE ON WATER BILLS

ISSUE: Staff has prepared a draft customer bill for District implementation upon adoption of the new water rates.

AGREEMENT: Jennifer will insert a reference to Arsenic compliance on the invoice and research whether the invoice can be modified to include the abbreviation HCF, but will not guarantee being able to accomplish this with the current software.

5. HIGH PRIORITY GOALS 2010

The General Manager discussed staff goals for the New Year to receive feedback from the Board and consultants.