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Regular Meeting  
April 19, 2023

Members Present: Jack Fallon, B.J. Lupton, Bob Balding, Butch Clark, Bill Matthews, T.J. Wendt and General Manager, Cindy Murray

Members Absent: Dennis Falcon

Also, Present: Rob Collier, Rebecca Chertudi, Mark James, Jeff Walla, and Joe Musialowski from the Staff, Kurt Playstead and Dave Green from Jacobs Engineering

Jack Fallon, President, called the meeting to order at 7:10 a.m. and welcomed the public and staff in attendance.

Butch Clark moved to adopt the Agenda. Bill Matthews seconded the motion. The Board passed the motion by unanimous vote.

B.J. Lupton moved to approve the minutes of the meeting of March 22, 2023, which was seconded by T.J. Wendt. The Board approved the minutes by unanimous vote.

Cindy Murray presented the Manager's Report. Mark James and Jeff Walla addressed several operations issues and answered questions from the Board. B.J. Lupton moved to accept the Manager's Report, which was seconded by Bill Matthews. After discussion, the Board approved the motion by unanimous vote.

The Board then decided to consider Agenda Item #8 due to the availability of the consultants. Cindy Murray and Jacobs Engineering Firm representatives, Kurt Playstead and Dave Green presented the results of a rate study update. The Board then considered Resolution 2023-04 concerning the Intent to Raise Rates and Fees and conduct a public hearing, which was tabled at the March 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting. Butch Clark moved to approve the Resolution, which was seconded by B.J. Lupton. After considerable discussion, the Board approved Resolution 2023-04 by unanimous vote.

The Board then returned to Item #6 on the Agenda. Based on the extensive discussion of the capital plan during the rate discussion, then Board decided to forego a presentation on FY23 Capital Expenditures.

Next, Jeff Walla presented an update on ARPA and FEMA Projects and other engineering issues in the District.

The Board next considered Resolution 2023-05 to Approve an ARPA Project Procurement Policy. Butch Clark moved to approve the Policy, which was seconded by T.J. Wendt. After discussion, the Board approved the Policy by unanimous vote.

The Board then discussed House Bill 35, which proposes to make the Board's members who are County and City appointees nonvoting members. The Board asked Cindy Murray to track the status of the bill and determine if there were any utility lobbying efforts concerning the bill.

Jack Fallon reconvened the meeting and the Board next considered Resolution 2023-06 to approve a Road and Utility Easement with Debbie Pancoast. Butch Clark moved to approve the Resolution, which was seconded by T.J. Wendt. After discussion, the Board approved Resolution 2023-06 by unanimous vote.

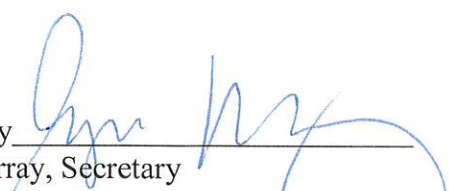
The Board then considered Resolution 2023-07 to Approve Revisions to District Rules and Regulations involving development. Jeff briefed the Board on current issues pertaining to this proposed Resolution. T.J. Wendt moved to approve the Resolution, which was seconded by Butch Clark. After discussion, the Board approved Resolution 2023-07 by unanimous vote.

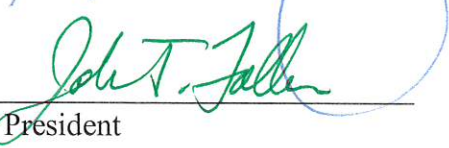
Cindy Murray and Rebecca Chertudi provided an update on the termination of the 457(b) Plan and adoption of the 401(a) Plan.

Bob Balding provided the Oversight Reports for January, February, and March.

Butch Clark moved to approve the checks and credit card charges and accept the financial statements for the months of March, which was seconded by T.J.. After discussion, the Board passed the motion by unanimous vote.

The meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 10:39 a.m. The next regular meeting and public hearing will be on May 17, 2023.

Submitted by   
Cynthia Murray, Secretary

Signed by   
Jack Fallon, President