

Board of Directors

Regular Meeting

12/09/21 at 6:00 p.m.

Santa Margarita Community Room
2 Civic Center Drive, Scotts Valley, California

Minutes

1. Convene

1.1. Call to Order and Roll Call

President Ekwall called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was conducted in a hybrid setting.

Directors

Bill Ekwall
Wade Leishman
Chris Perri
Danny Reber
Ruth Stiles

Staff

Bob Bosso, Legal Counsel
Piret Harmon, General Manager
Nick Kurns, Finance & Customer Service Manager
David McNair, Operations Manager
Donna Paul, Assistant to General Manager

Associate Directors

Noelle Downing
Annie Finch

Guests

Paul Kaymark, Nigro & Nigro

1.2. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

Associate Director Finch led the pledge and Director Reber the invocation.

1.3. Closed Session Report - 11/10/21

Legal Counsel Bosso reported that public employee appointment of the General Manager was discussed, and no action was taken.

1.4. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

None.

1.5. Oral Communications

None

2. Presentations (none)

3. Administrative

3.1. Approval of Minutes Regular Board Meeting 11/10/21

MOTION carried to approve the minutes of 11/10/21 Board Meeting by unanimous voice vote.

3.2. Committee and other Agency Meeting Reports

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Engineering and Water Resources Committee (none)

Finance & Personnel Committee 11/23/21

There was nothing further to add to the written report.

Executive & Public Affairs Committee (none)

Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency (SMGWA) Board 11/17/21

In addition to the written report, Director Perri reported that an ad hoc committee has been formed to explore future governance of the agency.

4. Consent (none)

5. Public Hearings (none)

6. Business

6.1. Annual Comprehensive Financial Report

Finance and Customer Service Manager Kurns provided the staff report and introduced Paul Kaymark, Nigro and Nigro.

Mr. Kaymark presented the highlights from the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.

MOTION carried to accept the Scotts Valley Water District Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2021, and June 30, 2020 by unanimous voice vote.

6.2. Potable Water Mains Replacement Project - Award Contract

Operations Manager McNair provided the staff report.

MOTION carried to authorize the General Manager to execute an agreement with Durden Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$299,800 for the potable water mains replacement project.

7. Staff Reports

7.1. Legal

District Counsel Bosso reported the Governor has extended the emergency order until 03/31/2022.

7.2. Administrative

The General Managers report is appended.

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7.3. Finance

Financial Reports 07/01/21 through 10/31/21

There was nothing further to add to the written report.

7.4. Operations

Operations Manager McNair reported on the recent exceptionally low water demand, ACWA Conference, Orchard Run Water Treatment Plant Project and plans for new production well.

Production, Demand and Rainfall Data through 11/30/21

Leak Adjustment Program Report 07/01/21 through 10/31/21

8. Directors Reports

8.1. Travel and Meetings

Director Leishman reported on the ACWA Conference in Pasadena

Director Perri also reported the ACWA Conference in Pasadena

8.2. Election of Officers

MOTION carried to elect Director Stiles as the 2022 Board President by unanimous voice vote, with Director Stiles abstaining.

MOTION carried to elect Director Perri as the 2022 Board Vice President by unanimous voice vote.

9. Written Correspondence (none)

10. Community Relations

After successful pilot program, Scotts Valley Water District Board votes to make Community Advisory Positions permanent and seeks applicants 11/29/21

Groundwater Sustainability Plan adopted by Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency 11/18/21

11. Closed Session

Pursuant to Government Code Section §54957

Public Employee Appointment

Title: General Manager

President Ekwall announced the closed session items Public Employee Appointment and recessed at 7:07 p.m.

Closed Session convened at 7:08 p.m. and was adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

12. Report on Closed Session and Additional Items

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At 7:22 p.m. the President Ekwall reconvened the meeting and reported that the appointment of the General Manager was discussed, no action was taken.

13. Future Items

- City-District Recycled Water Allocation
- Committee Assignments
- District Projects Status Report
- Initial Water Supply Outlook

Meetings and Event Calendar

Board Meetings

- 01/13/22
- 02/10/22
- 03/10/22

Committee Meetings

- 12/13/21 Engineering & Water Resources
- 12/13/21 Executive & Public Affairs
- 12/15/21 Finance & Personnel

Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency

Board Meeting TBD

Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) Events

2022 Spring Conference and Exhibition 05/03/22 – 05/06/22 Sacramento

14. Adjourn

The next regular meeting of the Scotts Valley Board of Directors is scheduled for 01/13/22.

Approved:

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 Bill Ekwall, Board President

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 Piret Harmon, Board Secretary

STAFF REPORT – General Items

Scotts Valley Water District

Date: 12/9/21

To: Board of Directors

From: General Manager

1. City of Scotts Valley has selected a new City Manager – Mali LaGoe, and City of Santa Cruz hired Matt Huffaker as its City Manager. Both are expected to start in January 2022.
2. Carlos Flores and Rhett Beatton received LaBounty Safety Program awards from ACWA JPIA.
3. I attended ACWA Fall Conference in Pasadena and participated as a panelist in Region 5 program “Innovations in Alternative Water Supplies”. At the general membership meeting Pam Tobin (San Juan Water District) was elected as ACWA President and Cathy Green (Orange County Water District) as ACWA Vice President for 2022-2023 term.
4. I will be on vacation December 18 – 29.