

LOS VAQUEROS RESERVOIR JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors January 11, 2023 – 9:30 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER at 9:32 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - led by Chair Angela Ramirez Holmes

ROLL CALL OF DIRECTORS

Angela Ramirez Holmes, Chair, Zone 7 Water Agency
Anthea Hansen, Vice Chair, San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority
Ellen Wehr, Secretary, Grassland Water District
Paul Sethy, Treasurer, Alameda County Water District
Ernesto Avila, Director, Contra Costa Water District
John Coleman, Director, East Bay Municipal Utility District
Rebecca Eisenberg, Director, Santa Clara Valley Water District
TBD, Director – Ex Officio - Department of Water Resources

ALTERNATE DIRECTORS

Jonathan Wunderlich, Alternate Director, Alameda County Water District
Antonio Martinez, Alternate Director, Contra Costa Water District
*Steve Ritchie, Alternate Director, San Francisco Public Utilities Commission
Jim Beall, Alternate Director, Santa Clara Valley Water District (entered the meeting at approximately 9:38 a.m.)
Sandy Figuers, Alternate Director, Zone 7 Water Agency
TBD, Alternate Director – Ex Officio, Department of Water Resources

*Alternate Director who replaced absent Director from his member agency

ABSENT

Dennis Herrera, Director, San Francisco Public Utilities Commission Lesa McIntosh, Alternate Director, East Bay Municipal Utility District Ricardo Ortega, Alternate Director, Grassland Water District Jose Gutierrez, Alternate Director, San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority

OTHERS PRESENT

Taryn Ravazzini, Executive Director Marguerite Patil, Interim Administrator Maureen Martin, Deputy Interim Administrator James Ciampa, Lagerlof, LLP, General Counsel Rosemarie Perea, Board Clerk Diane Schmidt, Lagerlof, LLP

Approximately 20 others

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None

CONSENT CALENDAR

The Consent Calendar consisted of the following items:

- 1.1 Consider Adoption of Resolution No. 1-23-01 Re-Ratifying the Proclamation of a State of Emergency by Governor Gavin Newsom and Authorizing Remote Teleconference Meetings of the Board of Directors of the Los Vaqueros Reservoir Joint Powers Authority for the Period from January 4, 2023 to February 2, 2023 Pursuant to Brown Act Provisions
- 1.2 Approval of Minutes from December 14, 2022 Board of Directors Meeting
- 1.3 Treasurer's Report Month Ended November 30, 2022

Upon motion by Director Avila, seconded by Director Coleman, the Consent Calendar consisting of Items 1.1, 1.2 and 1.3, was approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Angela Ramirez Holmes, Chair, Zone 7 Water Agency

Anthea Hansen, Vice Chair, San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority

Ellen Wehr, Secretary, Grassland Water District

Paul Sethy, Treasurer, Alameda County Water District Ernesto Avila, Director, Contra Costa Water District

John Coleman, Director, East Bay Municipal Utility District Rebecca Eisenberg, Director, Santa Clara Valley Water District

Steve Ritchie, Alternate Director, San Francisco Public Utilities Commission

NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

The motion passed with an 8-0 vote.

ACTION ITEMS

2.1 Approval of Resolution No. 1-23-02 Approving First Amendment to Authority's Bylaws

Due to suggested changes to the proposed amendment that were distributed the day before the Board meeting, Chair Ramirez Holmes suggested this matter be tabled and be sent for review by the Communications and Outreach Committee, to be returned to the Board for review and approval after that committee has provided input on the item.

Upon motion by Chair Ramirez Holmes, seconded by Alternate Director Ritchie, the approval of Resolution No. 1-23-02 was tabled to a later date and the item will be considered by the Communications and Outreach Committee. The motion was approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Angela Ramirez Holmes, Chair, Zone 7 Water Agency

Anthea Hansen, Vice Chair, San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority

Ellen Wehr, Secretary, Grassland Water District

Paul Sethy, Treasurer, Alameda County Water District Ernesto Avila, Director, Contra Costa Water District

John Coleman, Director, East Bay Municipal Utility District Rebecca Eisenberg, Director, Santa Clara Valley Water District

Steve Ritchie, Alternate Director, San Francisco Public Utilities Commission

NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

The motion passed with an 8-0 vote.

2.2 Election of Officers for 2023

Section 3.5 of the Authority's Bylaws provides the election of the Authority's officers is to take place at the January Board meeting or at the next regular Board meeting if the January meeting does not occur. Section 3.6 of the Bylaws provides that officers' terms are for one year and until the officer's successor is elected or appointed.

The following nominations for the Authority's officer positions were made:

<u>Chair</u>: Angela Ramirez Holmes - nomination by Vice Chair Anthea Hansen The foregoing nomination was approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Anthea Hansen, Vice Chair, San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority

Ellen Wehr, Secretary, Grassland Water District Paul Sethy, Treasurer, Alameda County Water District Ernesto Avila, Director, Contra Costa Water District

John Coleman, Director, East Bay Municipal Utility District Rebecca Eisenberg, Director, Santa Clara Valley Water District

Steve Ritchie, Alternate Director, San Francisco Public Utilities Commission

NOES: None ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: Angela Ramirez Holmes, Chair

The motion passed with a 7-0 vote, with Chair Angela Ramirez Holmes abstaining.

<u>Vice Chair</u>: Anthea Hansen - nomination by Chair Angela Ramirez Holmes The foregoing nomination was approved by the following roll call vote: AYES: Angela Ramirez Holmes, Chair, Zone 7 Water Agency

Ellen Wehr, Secretary, Grassland Water District

Paul Sethy, Treasurer, Alameda County Water District Ernesto Avila, Director, Contra Costa Water District

John Coleman, Director, East Bay Municipal Utility District Rebecca Eisenberg, Director, Santa Clara Valley Water District

Steve Ritchie, Alternate Director, San Francisco Public Utilities Commission

NOES: None ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: Anthea Hansen, Vice Chair

The motion passed with a 7-0 vote, with Vice Chair Anthea Hansen abstaining.

Secretary: Ellen Wehr - nomination by Treasurer Paul Sethy

The foregoing nomination was approved by the following roll call vote: AYES: Angela Ramirez Holmes, Chair, Zone 7 Water Agency

Anthea Hansen, Vice Chair, San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority

Paul Sethy, Treasurer, Alameda County Water District Ernesto Avila, Director, Contra Costa Water District

John Coleman, Director, East Bay Municipal Utility District Rebecca Eisenberg, Director, Santa Clara Valley Water District

Steve Ritchie, Alternate Director, San Francisco Public Utilities Commission

NOES: None ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: Ellen Wehr, Secretary

The motion passed with a 7-0 vote, with Secretary Ellen Wehr abstaining.

Treasurer: Paul Sethy - nomination by Director Ernesto Avila

The foregoing nomination was approved by the following roll call vote: AYES: Angela Ramirez Holmes, Chair, Zone 7 Water Agency

Anthea Hansen, Vice Chair, San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority

Ellen Wehr, Secretary, Grassland Water District Ernesto Avila, Director, Contra Costa Water District

John Coleman, Director, East Bay Municipal Utility District Rebecca Eisenberg, Director, Santa Clara Valley Water District

Steve Ritchie, Alternate Director, San Francisco Public Utilities Commission

NOES: None ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: Paul Sethy, Treasurer

The motion passed with a 7-0 vote, with Treasurer Paul Sethy abstaining.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

None.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

REPORTS

4.1 - Directors

Chair Angela Ramirez Holmes reported that no appointments to the ad hoc committee established at the December Board meeting for the review of the CCWD Design and Construction Principles have been made due to the holiday season. Appointments will be made in the coming weeks and she encouraged any Board members interested in serving on that committee to contact her, as no one has expressed interest to date. She expected that committee will hold several meetings in February and March and will likely conclude its work by the end of March.

The February Board meeting will be held in person at the Zone 7 Water Agency in Livermore. This meeting will be an audio conference only for those Directors and Alternate Directors unable to attend in person. Executive Director Ravazzini and General Counsel Ciampa will prepare and distribute a short list of procedures for the Directors, Alternate Directors and members of the public to follow in connection with that meeting.

4.2 - General Counsel

General Counsel James Ciampa advised that in addition to the list of procedures Chair Ramirez Holmes mentioned, a more detailed set of guidelines to ensure compliance with the Brown Act requirements will also be distributed to the Directors and Alternate Directors in the next week or two. He also advised that the Legal Work Group met this week to begin discussions concerning the Service Agreement and two Finance Work Group meetings are scheduled over the next two weeks.

4.3 - Executive Director

Executive Director Taryn Ravazzini advised that on December 22, 2022 Congress passed a further appropriation of \$18 million for the Los Vaqueros Reservoir Expansion Project in the WIIN Act. She also reported on various meetings she attended at the ACWA Fall Conference.

4.4 - Board Policy and Action Calendar

Chair Ramirez Holmes stated the updated Board Policy and Action Calendar was included in the meeting materials for the Board's information.

4.5 - Committee Meeting Summaries

Summaries from the December 15, 2022 Operations and Engineering Committee meeting and the December 22, 2022 Finance Committee meeting were attached for the Board's information.

Chair Angela Ramirez Holmes asked for comments regarding participation and preferences in connection with committee assignments. Appointments for 2023 committee assignments will be announced at the February Board meeting.

Treasurer Sethy commented that he admires how Chair Ramirez Homes has conducted the meetings this past year and thanked her for her service.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:01 a.m.

Angela Ramirez Holmes
Angela Ramirez Holmes (Apr 10, 2023 12:49 PDT)

Angela Ramirez Holmes, Chair

ATTEST:

Ellen Wehr (Mar 4, 2023 15:27 PST)

Ellen Wehr, Secretary