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Regular Meeting October 16, 2024

Members Present:

B.J. Lupton, Butch Clark, Jack Fallon, Bob Balding, T.J. Wendt and

General Manager, Cindy Murray

Members Absent:

Bill Matthews

Staff Present:

Rob Collier, Mark James, Mimi Wildeman, Jeff Walla,

Members of the Public Present: Dennis Falcon

B.J. Lupton, President, called the meeting to order at 7:02 a.m., declared that a quorum of voting Board members was present, welcomed the staff in attendance, and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

T.J. Wendt moved to approve the Agenda as amended, which was seconded by Bob Balding. After discussion, the Board approved the motion by unanimous vote.

Next, the Board considered the minutes of the previous two Special Meetings. T.J. Wendt moved to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of August 21, 2024, which was seconded by Bob Balding. After discussion, the Board approved the motion by unanimous vote. Bob Balding moved to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of September 4, 2024, which was seconded by T.J. Wendt. After discussion, the Board approved the motion by unanimous vote.

Cindy Murray then presented the Manager's Report. T.J. Wendt moved to accept the Manager's Report, which was seconded by Bob Balding. After discussion, the Board approved the motion by unanimous vote.

Jeff Walla then presented the Engineer's Report. T.J. Wendt moved to accept the Engineer's Report, which was seconded by Bob Balding. After discussion, the Board approved the motion by unanimous vote.

Cindy Murray then provided an update on activities related to the SRF Sewer Loans for the LS 19

and I&I Projects. Target loan closings are in December or January.

The Board then considered Resolution 2024-25 to approve a Recommendation to Select the Jacobs Engineering Firm to perform a Wastewater Treatment Alternatives Study and PER and to enter into a contract not to exceed \$250,000. Bob Balding moved to adopt Resolution 2024-25, which was seconded by Jack Fallon. After discussion, the Board approved the motion and adopted Resolution 2024-25 by unanimous vote.

The Board then took a 5 minute break, recessing at 8:30 and reconvening at 8:35.

Cindy Murray then presented various Personnel Matters. T.J. Wendt moved to approve a promotion and salary increase for Mimi Wildeman to 90,000 annually effective as of the next pay period. Mimi's new title is Manager of Administration. Bob Balding seconded the motion. After discussion, the motion passed by unanimous vote.

Cindy then advised the Board that she was working on the Staffing Plan for this year as part of the longer term Staffing Plan that is reflected in the District's rate studies. Cindy advised the Board that she would be working with counsel on various issues pertaining to the Staffing Plan, including possible position elimination, and would report back to the Board when the counsel review was concluded.

Bob Balding provided the Oversight Reports for August and September.

Jack Fallon moved to approve the Checks Written and the Chase Credit Card Charges and accept the financial statements for August and September, which was seconded by T.J. Wendt. After discussion, the Board passed the motion by unanimous vote.

The meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 9:29 a.m. The next regular Board meeting will be on December 18, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.

Submitted by

Cynthia Murray, Secretary

B.J. Lupton, President