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Special Meeting February 5, 2025

Members Present:

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

General Manager, Cindy Murray

Members Absent:

Dennis Falcon and Bill Matthews

Staff Present:

Andrew Kruzich, Mark James, Mimi Wildeman, Jeff Walla, Austin Andersen,

and Nic Hannay

Members of the Public Present: Brian Hoyle and Don Rasmussen

B.J. Lupton, President, called the meeting to order at 7:07 a.m., declared that a quorum of voting Board members was present, welcomed the staff and members of the public in attendance, and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Jack Fallon moved to approve the Agenda, which was seconded by T.J. Wendt. After discussion, the Board approved the motion by unanimous vote.

The Board then considered Resolution 2025-02 approving an Ordinance pertaining to District Public Records. Bob Balding moved to approve Resolution 2025-02, which was seconded by Jack Fallon. After discussion, the Board approved the motion by unanimous vote.

B.J. Lupton next invited Don Rasmussen to make a presentation about Razz Construction and its bid for the LS 19 Emergency Storage Project. Mr. Rasmussen presented information and answered questions from Board Members and Cindy Murray about Razz.

The Board took a recess at 7:45 a.m.

At 8:05, B.J. Lupton reconvened the meeting and the Board then considered Resolution 2025-03 to Adopt Recommendations concerning the LS 19 Emergency Storage Project. T.J. Wendt moved to adopt Resolution 2025-03, which was seconded by Jack Fallon. After discussion, the Board approved the motion by unanimous vote.

Jeff Walla then presented a request to increase the not to exceed amount of the IMEG Contract for the LS 19 Emergency Storage Project to \$506,830.00. Jack Fallon moved to approve the increase, which was seconded by Bob Balding. After discussion, the Board approved the motion by unanimous vote.

Next, the Board considered Resolution 2025-04 relating to issuance by the District of \$4,060,000 of Wastewater System Revenue Bonds consisting of \$850,000 of Subordinate Lien Taxable Series 2025A Bonds and \$3,210,000 Series 2025B Bonds and authorizing the General Manager to sign all related Agreements and required documentation. Jack Fallon moved to approve Resolution 2025-04, which was seconded by T.J. Wendt. After discussion, the Board approved the motion by unanimous vote.

The Board then considered Resolution 2025-05 requesting reimbursement from SRF financing proceeds for certain expenditures related to the Lift Station 19 Project. T.J. moved to approve Resolution 2025-05, which was seconded by Bob Balding. After discussion, the Board approved the motion by unanimous vote.

Mimi Wildeman presented recommendations for the 2025-2026 Employee Group Insurance Plan Health, Vision, Eye, Long-term disability insurance, Employee Assistance Program support, Life insurance, Employer HSA contributions, and an increase in the Employer contribution to the 401(a) Plan from 8.43% to 9.17%. Jack Fallon moved to approve the recommendations, which was seconded by Bob Balding. After discussion, the motion was approved by unanimous vote.

The Board then considered Resolution 2025-06 authorizing Conditional Approval of Plans for Trumbull Creek Phase 5B. Jack Fallon moved to approve Resolution 2025-06, which was seconded by Bob Balding. After discussion, the Board approved the motion by unanimous vote.

The Board then considered Resolution 2025-07 authorizing Conditional Approval of Plans for the Frank Gulch Housing Project. Jack Fallon moved to approve Resolution 2025-07, which was approved by T.J. Wendt. After discussion, the motion was approved by unanimous vote.

T.J. Wendt moved to approve the Checks Written and the Chase Credit Card Charges for January, which was seconded by Jack Fallon. After discussion, the Board passed the motion by unanimous vote. Financial statements for January will be presented to the Board for consideration at the regular meeting in March.

The meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 10:30 a.m. The next regular Board meeting will be March 19, 2025, at 7:00 a.m.

Signed by B.J. Lupton, President