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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
DIABLO WATER DISTRICT  
HELD ON JANUARY 27, 2021

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Diablo Water District was held on January 27, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. via conference call/web as noticed in the posted agenda.

**1. Call to Order and Roll Call.**

The special meeting of the Board of Directors of Diablo Water District (District) was called to order by President Seger at 7:34 p.m. on January 27, 2021.

Directors Present: Seger, Pastor, Crockett, Tieman, Kovalick  
Staff Present: Dan Muelrath, Jennifer McCoy, Nacho Mendoza  
District Engineer: Bill Brick (CDM Smith)  
General Counsel: Wes Miliband (AARLL)  
Others Present: Angela Lowrey (ISD Director); George Fuller (Oakley Councilmember)

**2. Public Input.** (Anyone present may address the Board of Directors on any subject within the jurisdiction of Diablo Water District. If the subject item is on this Agenda, please hold public comment until the appropriate item).

Angela Lowrey (ISD Director) introduced herself as the new ISD liaison to the District.

**3. Consent Calendar.**

It is recommended by the General Manager that these items, which are expected to be routine in nature and without controversy, be received and acted upon by the Board without discussion. If any Board member or interested party requests that an item be removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion, it will be considered

separately. *The consent calendar may be approved by a single motion to approve, followed by a second and then a call for vote.*

**A. Minutes of the Special Meeting of December 16, 2020.**

Staff Recommendation: Approve.

**B. Minutes of the Special Meeting of January 12, 2021.**

Staff Recommendation: Approve.

**C. Minutes of the Special Meeting of January 14, 2021.**

Staff Recommendation: Approve.

It was moved by Director Kovalick, seconded by Director Tiernan, and approved by the following vote to approve the Consent Calendar.

AYES: Seger, Pastor, Crockett, Tiernan, Kovalick

NO: None

ABSTAIN: None

**Action Items**

**4. South Park Well System Integrator Contract Authorization.**

It was moved by Director Kovalick, seconded by Director Crockett, and approved by the following vote to authorize the General Manager to execute a contract with Brown and Caldwell, for system integration services, at a not to exceed price of \$17,003, plus a 10% contingency.

AYES: Seger, Pastor, Crockett, Tiernan, Kovalick

NO: None

ABSTAIN: None

**5. Reallocation of Substandard Street Deposit.**

It was moved by Director Kovalick, seconded by Vice President Pastor, and approved by the following vote to authorize the Finance Manager to move the substandard street deposit for Laurel Woods to Other Income in the District's 02 Facilities Fund.

AYES: Seger, Pastor, Crockett, Tiernan, Kovalick

NO: None

ABSTAIN: None

**6. Establish Water Rate Exploratory Ad Hoc Subcommittee.**

Vice President Pastor nominated Director Kovalick.

Director Kovalick nominated President Seger.

It was moved by Vice President Pastor, seconded by Director Tiernan, and approved by the following vote to establish the water rate exploratory ad hoc subcommittee and appoint President Seger and Director Kovalick to serve on the subcommittee.

AYES: Seger, Pastor, Crockett, Tiernan, Kovalick

NO: None

ABSTAIN: None

**7. Revised Time for Regular Board Meetings.**

It was moved by Director Kovalick, seconded by Director Tiernan, and approved by the following vote to adopt Resolution No. 2021-01, revising the Board's regular meeting time to 6:30pm.

AYES: Seger, Pastor, Crockett, Tiernan, Kovalick

NO: None

ABSTAIN: None

**8. Financial Reports.**

President Seger inquired about how the eventual lifting of the Governor's shut-off moratorium will be handled by the District and impacts to the budget. General Manager Muelrath recommended deferring the conversation until next month's meeting when the Board will be advising on multiple policy/budget related items.

It was moved by Director Crockett, seconded by Director Kovalick, and approved by the following vote to approve warrant register 2020-12, ACH and wire transactions, and receive the monthly financial statements.

AYES: Seger, Pastor, Crockett, Tiernan, Kovalick

NO: None

ABSTAIN: None

## Discussion Items

### **9. Recycled Water Feasibility Study Overview Presentation.**

EKI Water & Environment, Inc. presented the finding of the recycled water feasibility study. The Board engaged in dialogue regarding the potential locations of recycled water injection wells, primary uses for recycled water in the East Cypress corridor, energy required to inject the recycled water into the aquifer, and the potential cost of recycled water.

### **10. Water Quality Overview Presentation.**

Nacho Mendoza, Water Operations Manager, presented an overview of the District's water quality and answered the Directors' questions.

### **11. 2021 Strategic Planning.**

Directors provided input regarding the proposed development, recycled water, and groundwater policies that will be revised and presented again at a future meeting for additional input.

### **12. General Manager's Reports.**

- Water Supply Charts
- Groundwater Monitoring Levels

### **13. General Counsel's Reports.**

- Rosenberg's Rules overview presentation was provided.

### **14. Engineer's Reports**

- Construction project updates were provided on projects that made significant progress since the previous Board meeting.

### **15. Directors' Reports.**

- Representatives presented verbal reports on meetings they attended.

**16. Items for Future Agendas.**

- Preliminary list of items for the next two months was presented.
- It was also reported that a separate special meeting would be sought in February to solely handle Groundwater Sustainability Agency related items.

**17. Next Meetings of the Board of Directors.**

- February 24, 2021
- March 24, 2021
- April 28, 2021

**18. Adjournment.**

President Seger adjourned the meeting at 11:00pm.



Dan Muelrath  
**Dan Muelrath, General Manager/Secretary**