

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency – October 15, 2019

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency was held at the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency located at 27234 Bouquet Canyon Road, Santa Clarita, CA 91350 at 6:30 PM on Tuesday, October 15, 2019. A copy of the Agenda is inserted in the Minute Book of the Agency preceding these minutes.

DIRECTORS PRESENT: B. J. Atkins, Tom Campbell, Ed Colley, Kathy Colley, William Cooper, Jeff Ford, Jerry Gladbach, Maria Gutzeit, R. J. Kelly, Gary Martin, Dan Mortensen and Lynne Plambeck.

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Robert DiPrimio.

Also present: Matthew Stone, General Manager; Joe Byrne, General Counsel; April Jacobs, Board Secretary; Steve Cole, Assistant General Manager; Keith Abercrombie, Chief Operating Officer; Brian Folsom, Chief Engineer; Rochelle Patterson, Director of Finance and Administration; Dirk Marks, Director of Water Resources; Cris Perez, Director of Tech Services; Ari Mantis, Human Resources Supervisor; Matt Dickens, Resource Conservation Manager; Elizabeth Sobczak, Associate Engineer; Kathie Martin, Public Information Officer; Rene Ponce, IT Technician; Terri Bell, Administrative Assistant; and members of the public.

President Cooper called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. A quorum was present.

Upon motion of Director Gladbach, seconded by Director Kelly and carried, the Agenda was approved by the following voice votes (Item 4):

Director Atkins	Yes	Director Campbell	Yes
Director E. Colley	Yes	Director K. Colley	Yes
President Cooper	Yes	Director DiPrimio	Absent
Director Gladbach	Yes	Vice President Gutzeit	Yes
Director Kelly	Yes	Vice President Martin	Yes
Director Mortensen	Yes	Director Plambeck	Yes

Upon motion of Director Kelly, seconded by Director Gladbach and carried, the Board approved Resolution No. SCV-125 appointing Jeff Ford to the office of appointed Director for the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency representing Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 36, Val Verde, by the following voice votes (Item 5.1):

Director Atkins	Yes	Director Campbell	Yes
Director E. Colley	No	Director K. Colley	Yes
President Cooper	Yes	Director DiPrimio	Absent
Director Gladbach	Yes	Vice President Gutzeit	Yes
Director Kelly	Yes	Vice President Martin	Yes
Director Mortensen	Yes	Director Plambeck	No

RESOLUTION NO. SCV-125

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY
APPROVING JEFF FORD
TO THE OFFICE OF APPOINTED DIRECTOR**

OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY

WHEREAS, effective August 16, 2019, Dante Acosta Appointed Director for the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 36, Val Verde, tendered his resignation leaving the seat vacant; and

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 36, Val Verde, acting by and through the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, has duly nominated Jeff Ford for the office of Appointed Director for the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency on September 24, 2019; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 10 of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency Act, the Board of Directors of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency has thirty days to appoint or reject the nominee; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency has determined that it desires to appoint the said nominee to said office.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Board does hereby appoint Jeff Ford, the nominee for the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors on behalf of the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 36, Val Verde, to serve as an Appointed Director of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency, for the remainder of the unexpired term ending on January 1, 2023.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that Jeff Ford shall at the earliest reasonable time take the required constitutional Oath of Office.

The Board Secretary administered the Oath of Office to Director Ford, the newly appointed Director for the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 36, Val Verde (Item 5.2).

Upon motion of Director Gladbach, seconded by Director K. Colley and carried, the Board approved the Consent Calendar by the following electronic votes (Item 6):

Director Atkins	Yes	Director Campbell	Yes
Director E. Colley	Yes	Director K. Colley	Yes
President Cooper	Yes	Director DiPrimio	Absent
Director Ford	Yes	Director Gladbach	Yes
Vice President Gutzeit	Yes	Director Kelly	Yes
Vice President Martin	Yes	Director Mortensen	Yes
Director Plambeck	Yes		

Upon motion of Director Kelly, seconded by Director Mortensen and carried, the Board approved posting the audio recordings of SCV Water's Board meetings on the Agency website and approved the revisions to the Record Retention Schedule changing the amount of time Board meeting recordings are kept from 30 days to 1 year by the following electronic votes (Item 7.1):

Director Atkins	Yes	Director Campbell	Yes
Director E. Colley	Yes	Director K. Colley	No
President Cooper	Yes	Director DiPrimio	Absent

Director Ford	Yes	Director Gladbach	Yes
Vice President Gutzeit	Yes	Director Kelly	Yes
Vice President Martin	Yes	Director Mortensen	Yes
Director Plambeck	Yes		

Upon motion of Director Mortensen, seconded by Director Campbell and carried, the Board approved (1) Resolution No. SCV-126 awarding funding in an amount not to exceed \$7,168,844.85 for construction costs and an amount not to exceed \$320,000 for construction management and miscellaneous costs to The Newhall Land and Farming Company, LLC, and authorized the General Manager to execute construction change orders up to ten percent (10%) of the original construction contract, (2) authorized the General Manager to execute a work authorization with Michael Baker International for an amount not to exceed \$150,000 for engineering services during construction and (3) authorized the General Manager to execute a work authorization with Cannon Corporation for an amount not to exceed \$510,000 for inspection services for the Magic Mountain Pipeline Phase 6A project by the following electronic votes (Item 7.2):

Director Atkins	Yes	Director Campbell	Yes
Director E. Colley	Yes	Director K. Colley	Yes
President Cooper	Yes	Director DiPrimio	Absent
Director Ford	Yes	Director Gladbach	Yes
Vice President Gutzeit	Yes	Director Kelly	Yes
Vice President Martin	Yes	Director Mortensen	Yes
Director Plambeck	No		

RESOLUTION NO. SCV-126

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY APPROVING FUNDING FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT TO THE NEWHALL LAND AND FARMING COMPANY, LLC, FOR THE MAGIC MOUNTAIN PIPELINE PHASE 6A PROJECT

WHEREAS, Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency (SCVWA) desires to take steps to increase the reliability of its existing water system; and

WHEREAS, SCVWA's Capital Improvement Program includes new pipelines to extend the Agency's existing Magic Mountain Pipeline to the future Magic Mountain Reservoir, located in The Newhall Land and Farming Company, LLC, (Newhall Land)'s Mission Village project; and

WHEREAS, Newhall Land is constructing the Mission Village project, and would like to install/construct SCVWA's new pipelines in four phases, Magic Mountain Pipeline Phases 4, 5, 6A and 6B, as part of Newhall Land's road improvements, subject to SCVWA's reimbursement; and

WHEREAS, any agreement with Newhall Land regarding the Mission Village project is independent of SCVWA's pre-existing plans to construct the pipeline as part of SCVWA's Capital Improvement Program to ensure a reliable supply of water; and

WHEREAS, Castaic Lake Water Agency (CLWA), as a CEQA Responsible Agency, filed the Notice of Determination with the Los Angeles County Clerk's Office and the State Clearinghouse on February 24, 2015 and there are no substantial changes to the project, and no further CEQA documentation is necessary for the Board to act with regards to the proposed actions; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager executed the Magic Mountain Water Pipeline Installation Agreement with Newhall Land for the construction of the Magic Mountain Pipeline Phases 4-6 on August 1, 2018; and

WHEREAS, all bid proposals submitted to the Newhall Land, pursuant to the Magic Mountain Water Pipeline Installation Agreement, and the Agency's construction contract documents, as amended by Addenda, were received by Newhall Land on Wednesday, September 11, 2019 by 2:00 p.m., in full accordance with the law and Newhall Land's customary procedures; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors finds, after considering the opinion of staff, that the total bid of Toro Enterprises Inc. in the amount of \$7,168,844.85 is the lowest responsible bid of three bids submitted, and that said bid substantially meets the requirements of said construction contract documents as amended by Addenda; and

WHEREAS, the Agency's Purchasing Policy allows the General Manager to approve change orders up to four percent (4%) of the original contract amount and the Board of Directors may grant a different change authority on a project-specific basis; and

WHEREAS, it is in the Agency's best interest that the Board of Directors change the General Manager's Change Order Authority for this project from four percent (4%) to ten percent (10%); and

WHEREAS, under the terms of the Magic Mountain Water Pipeline Installation Agreement, Newhall Land will perform the construction management and miscellaneous construction support services for this project in an amount not to exceed \$320,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Agency's Board of Directors does authorize its General Manager to accept said low bid and does therefore authorize the Agency's General Manager or its Chief Engineer to approve the funding to Newhall Land for a reimbursement to Toro Enterprises Inc., hereby found to be the "lowest responsible bidder" for the Magic Mountain Pipeline Phase 6A Project pursuant to said Agency's construction contract documents, as amended by Addenda, for a total construction budget not to exceed \$7,168,844.85.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the Agency's Board of Directors does authorize its General Manager or its Chief Engineer to approve change orders up to ten percent (10%) of the original construction contract amount for the Magic Mountain Pipeline Phase 6A Project with details of all construction change orders being reported to the Board of Directors.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the Agency's Board of Directors does authorize its General Manager or its Chief Engineer to approve the funding to Newhall Land for construction management and miscellaneous construction support services for the Magic Mountain Pipeline Phase 6A Project pursuant to the Magic Mountain Water Pipeline Installation Agreement in an amount not to exceed \$320,000.

Upon motion of Director Atkins, seconded by Director K. Colley and carried, the Board approved Resolution No. SCV-127 authorizing the General Manager to enter into a contract with WaterWise Consulting, Inc. to provide water conservation professional services by the following electronic votes (Item 7.3):

Director Atkins	Yes	Director Campbell	Yes
Director E. Colley	Yes	Director K. Colley	Yes
President Cooper	Yes	Director DiPrimio	Absent
Director Ford	Yes	Director Gladbach	Yes
Vice President Gutzeit	Yes	Director Kelly	Yes
Vice President Martin	Yes	Director Mortensen	Yes
Director Plambeck	Yes		

RESOLUTION NO. SCV-127

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY ADOPTING A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH WATERWISE CONSULTING, INC., TO PROVIDE WATER CONSERVATION PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

WHEREAS, the mission of the SCV Water is to provide reliable, quality water at a reasonable cost to the Santa Clarita Valley; and

WHEREAS, SCV Water's water supply comes from both the California State Water Project and local groundwater aquifers; and

WHEREAS, our statewide, regional, and local water systems face challenges on numerous fronts, including further regulatory actions to protect species, climate change, and frequent dry conditions that will affect the future reliability of our water supplies; and

WHEREAS, in November 2009, the Water Conservation Act of 2009 (Senate Bill X7-7) was enabled by the State of California and calls for all water suppliers to improve their water use efficiency by reducing their gallons per capita by day by 20% by 2020; and

WHEREAS, in June 2015, the Santa Clarita Valley Water Use Efficiency Strategic Plan was finalized; and

WHEREAS, in May 2018, Senate Bill 606 and Assembly Bill 1668 were signed into law which impose a new, long-term water conservation framework for urban water suppliers beginning in 2023; and

WHEREAS, in 2018, the Governor of California updated the California Water Plan which calls for specific actions, investments, and strategies to improve water resource management; and

WHEREAS, a proposal to implement programs under the Santa Clarita Valley Water Use Efficiency Strategic Plan were received on August 30, 2019; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends entering into a contract with WaterWise Consulting, Inc., for Water Conservation Professional Services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency directs the General Manager to enter into an agreement, in a form acceptable to the General Counsel, with WaterWise Consulting, Inc., for an amount not to exceed \$414,000 and for a term of one year with the option of four one-year renewals, for the implementation of Water Conservation Professional Services.

Upon motion of Director Atkins, seconded by Director K. Colley and carried, the Board approved the CSDA Committee appointments for Vice President Martin for the Professional Services Committee and Member Services Committee and Director Kelly for the Audit Committee, Fiscal Committee and Legislative Committee by the following electronic votes (Item 8.1):

Director Atkins	Yes	Director Campbell	Yes
Director E. Colley	Yes	Director K. Colley	Yes
President Cooper	Yes	Director DiPrimio	Absent
Director Ford	Yes	Director Gladbach	Yes
Vice President Gutzeit	Yes	Director Kelly	Yes
Vice President Martin	Yes	Director Mortensen	Yes
Director Plambeck	Yes		

Upon motion of Director Mortensen, seconded by Director Gladbach and carried, the Board approved the CSDA Committee appointments for Director Atkins for the Legislative Committee and/or Professional Services Committee by the following voice votes (Item 8.1):

Director Atkins	Yes	Director Campbell	Yes
Director E. Colley	Yes	Director K. Colley	Yes
President Cooper	Yes	Director DiPrimio	Absent
Director Ford	Yes	Director Gladbach	Yes
Vice President Gutzeit	Yes	Director Kelly	Yes
Vice President Martin	Yes	Director Mortensen	Yes
Director Plambeck	Yes		

The General Manager gave brief updates on his recent meetings pertaining to (1) the Classification and Compensation Study with the consultant, managers and staff, (2) the recent October 3, 2019 Agenda Planning meeting, (3) the October 10, 2019 meetings with the new Federal Lobbyist, (4) the October 11, 2019 PFAS Strike Team meeting, (5) the October 12, 2019 CAST for Kids held at Castaic Lake and (6) the October 14, 2019 Rosedale-Rio Bravo Drought Relief Project tour (Item 9).

There was no discussion on Item 10.

President Cooper updated the Board on the recent cancellation of the October 11, 2019 special Board meeting and reminded the Board that the meeting had been rescheduled for November 1, 2019. President Cooper also reminded the Board about upcoming conferences and mentioned that Director Ford has been assigned to the Engineering and Operations Committee (Item 11).

AB 1234 Reports (Item 12).

Written reports were submitted by Vice President's Gutzeit and Martin and Director Kelly and were included in the Board packet. Additional written reports were submitted by Vice President Gutzeit and Director Plambeck which were handed out and are part of the record.

Vice President Martin reported that he attended the Rosedale-Rio Bravo Drought Relief Project tour held in Bakersfield on October 14, 2019.

Director Atkins reported that he attended the SCVEDC Public Officials Night held at CalArts on October 3, 2019 and the SCV Chamber Legislative Forum held at the Valencia Country Club on October 4, 2019.

Director E. Colley reported that he attended the SCVEDC Public Officials Night held at CalArts on October 3, 2019 and the SCV Chamber Legislative Forum held at the Valencia Country Club on October 4, 2019.

Director Kelly reported that he participated in a conference call with the ACWA Finance Committee on October 15, 2019.

There were no Directors reports (Item 13).

Upon motion of Director Gladbach, seconded by Director Kelly and carried, the Board approved Resolution No. SCV-128, which was revised and handed out, supporting the nomination and directing its voting delegate to either nominate or second the nomination for Pamela Tobin for Vice President of ACWA by the following electronic votes (Item 13.1):

Director Atkins	Yes	Director Campbell	Yes
Director E. Colley	Yes	Director K. Colley	Yes
President Cooper	Yes	Director DiPrimio	Absent
Director Ford	Yes	Director Gladbach	Yes
Vice President Gutzeit	Yes	Director Kelly	Yes
Vice President Martin	Yes	Director Mortensen	Yes
Director Plambeck	Yes		

RESOLUTION NO. SCV-128

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY
IN SUPPORT OF THE NOMINATION OF PAMELA TOBIN FROM SAN JUAN WATER
DISTRICT AS A CANDIDATE FOR THE POSITION OF ACWA VICE PRESIDENT**

WHEREAS, the individual who fills an officer position will need to have a working knowledge of water industry issues and concerns, possess strength of character and leadership capabilities, and be experienced in matters related to the performance of the duties of the office; and

WHEREAS, this person must be able to provide the dedication of time and energy to effectively serve in this capacity; and

WHEREAS, Pamela Tobin has expressed interest in being a candidate for Vice President of the ACWA Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, Pamela Tobin has served in a leadership role as a member of the San Juan Water District Board of Directors since December 2004; and

WHEREAS, Pamela Tobin has served in a leadership role as a member of the ACWA Board of Directors since 2018; has served on the ACWA Region 4 Board since 2016; is currently Region 4 Chair; has served on the ACWA Federal Affairs Committee and the ACWA Local Government Committee since 2014; and has served on the ACWA Board of Directors' Steering Committee for Long Term Strategic Planning; and

WHEREAS, Pamela Tobin has been a Board member of the ACWA JPIA since 2016; and

WHEREAS, Pamela Tobin has been a leader in regional water management efforts, including as a Board Member and multiple terms as Chair of both the Sacramento Regional Water Authority and the Sacramento Groundwater Authority; and

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency Board of Directors that Pamela Tobin possesses all of the qualities needed to fulfill the duties of the office of ACWA Vice President.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency Board of Directors wholeheartedly supports Pamela Tobin for nomination as a candidate for the office of ACWA Vice President and furthermore, directs its voting delegate to either nominate or second the nomination for Pamela Tobin for Vice President.

There were no Director requests for approval for event attendance (Item 14).

There were no requests for future agenda Items (Item 15).

Upon motion of Director Mortensen, seconded by Director Atkins and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 PM in honor of Ron Stone by the following electronic votes (Item 16):

Director Atkins	Yes	Director Campbell	Yes
Director E. Colley	Yes	Director K. Colley	Yes
President Cooper	Yes	Director DiPrimio	Absent
Director Ford	Yes	Director Gladbach	Yes
Vice President Gutzeit	Yes	Director Kelly	Yes
Vice President Martin	Yes	Director Mortensen	Yes
Director Plambeck	Yes		


April Jacobs, Board Secretary

ATTEST:


President of the Board

