

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency – July 7, 2020

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A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency was held via teleconference at 6:30 PM on Tuesday, July 7, 2020. A copy of the Agenda is inserted in the Minute Book of the Agency preceding these minutes.

**DIRECTORS PRESENT:** B. J. Atkins, Ed Colley, Kathy Colley, William Cooper, Robert DiPrimio, Jeff Ford, Jerry Gladbach, Maria Gutzeit, R. J. Kelly (Arrived at 6:44 PM), Gary Martin, Dan Mortensen and Lynne Plambeck via teleconference.

**DIRECTORS ABSENT:** None.

Also present via teleconference: General Manager Matthew Stone, General Counsel Joe Byrne, Board Secretary April Jacobs, Assistant General Manager Steve Cole, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer Eric Campbell, Director of Finance and Administration Rochelle Patterson, Director of Water Resources Dirk Marks, Controller Amy Aguer, Director of Tech Services Cris Perez, Senior Engineer Shadi Bader, Water Resources Planner Rick Vasilopoulos, Financial Analyst Darine Conner, Public Information Officer Kathie Martin, Executive Assistant Leticia Quintero, Administrative Technician Eunie Kang, IT Technician Craig Larsen, Administrative Assistant Terri Bell, Consultants from Fieldman, Rolapp and Associates Robert Porr and Stradling Attorney Dough Brown, and members of the public.

President Martin called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM. A quorum was present.

Upon motion of Director Plambeck, seconded by Director Cooper and carried, the Board approved the agenda by the following roll call votes (Item 4):

Director Atkins	Yes	Director E. Colley	Yes
Director K. Colley	Yes	Director Cooper	Yes
Director DiPrimio	Yes	Director Ford	Yes
Vice President Gladbach	Yes	Vice President Gutzeit	Yes
Director Kelly	Not Present	President Martin	Yes
Director Mortensen	Yes	Director Plambeck	Yes

Upon motion of Director Plambeck, seconded by Director Cooper and carried, the Board pulled Item 5.6 "Approving Resolutions Establishing Banking Authority" for further discussion and approved the remaining Consent Calendar items including Resolution Nos. SCV-157, SCV-158 and SCV-159 by the following roll call votes (Item 5):

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

**RESOLUTION NO. SCV-157**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY**

**SETTING SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY TAX RATE FOR  
FISCAL YEAR 2020/21 AND REQUESTING LEVY  
OF TAX BY LOS ANGELES COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Ross-Johnson-Marks Property Tax Limitation Act of 1985, the Agency is empowered to make payments to the State of California under contracts for the sale, delivery, or use of water entered into pursuant to the California Water Resources Development Bond Act as set forth in the California Water Code; and

**WHEREAS**, the Agency is hereby setting an ad valorem property tax rate for its Fiscal Year 2020/21, pursuant to Revenue and Taxation Code, Section 97.65 (a), solely for the making of the aforesaid type of payment, and not to fund any reduction whatsoever in the rates charged by the Agency for water.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that this Board of Directors of the Santa Clarita Water Agency does hereby fix the rate of tax to be levied against all taxable property within the Agency at \$0.000706000 for each \$1.00 of assessed valuation, or \$0.070600 for each \$100 of assessed valuation, for Fiscal Year 2020/21 for the aforesaid purpose.

**RESOLVED FURTHER** that this Board does hereby request and direct that, at the time and in the manner required by law for levying taxes for county purposes, the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County, in addition to such other tax as may be levied by said Board of Supervisors, levy a tax upon all taxable property in Los Angeles County within the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency at the aforesaid rate so fixed and determined by the Board of Directors of the said Agency, all pursuant to Resolution No. 70 of the Agency, as adopted on September 6, 1967.

**RESOLVED FURTHER** that the Board of Directors of this Agency does hereby direct that the Secretary of the Agency cause to be delivered to the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County a certified copy of this resolution, and the Secretary is further authorized to furnish any legally required Agency budget information reasonable needed by the officers of the said County with respect to the aforesaid tax and tax rate.

**RESOLUTION NO. SCV-158**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY  
SETTING SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY TAX RATE FOR  
FISCAL YEAR 2020/21 AND REQUESTING LEVY  
OF TAX BY VENTURA COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Ross-Johnson-Marks Property Tax Limitation Act of 1985, the Agency is empowered to make payments to the State of California under contracts for the sale, delivery, or use of water entered into pursuant to the California Water Resources Development Bond Act as set forth in the California Water Code; and

**WHEREAS**, the Agency is hereby setting an ad valorem property tax rate for its Fiscal Year 2020/21, pursuant to Revenue and Taxation Code, Section 97.65 (a), solely for the making of the aforesaid type of payment, and not to fund any reduction whatsoever in the rates charged by the Agency for water.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that this Board of Directors of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency does hereby fix the rate of tax to be levied against all taxable property within the Agency at \$0.00070600 for each \$1.00 of assessed valuation, or \$0.070600 for each \$100 of assessed valuation, for Fiscal Year 2020/21 for the aforesaid purpose.

**RESOLVED FURTHER** that this Board does hereby request and direct that, at the time and in the manner required by law for levying taxes for county purposes, the Board of Supervisors of Ventura County, in addition to such other tax as may be levied by said Board of Supervisors, levy a tax upon all taxable property in Ventura County within the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency at the aforesaid rate so fixed and determined by the Board of Directors of the said Agency, all pursuant to Resolution No. 69 of the Agency, as adopted on September 6, 1967.

**RESOLVED FURTHER** that the Board of Directors of this Agency does hereby direct that the Secretary of the Agency cause to be delivered to the Board of Supervisors of Ventura County a certified copy of this resolution, and the Secretary is further authorized to furnish any legally required Agency budget information reasonable needed by the officers of the said County with respect to the aforesaid tax and tax rate.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. SCV-159**

#### **RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY AUTHORIZING THE JULY 2020 WATER SUPPLY CONTRACT PAYMENT**

**WHEREAS**, Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency is the successor agency to Castaic Lake Water Agency; and

**WHEREAS**, the Castaic Lake Water Agency on April 30, 1963 contracted with the State of California through the Department of Water Resources for a water supply pursuant to the California Water Resources Development Bond Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the Castaic Lake Water Agency on June 23, 1972 joined in the Devil Canyon-Castaic Contract, which amended payment terms of the State Water Contract to require Agency payment for debt service on bonds issued under the contract and operation and maintenance of certain facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency is currently entitled under the Water Supply Contract, as amended, to a total Annual Table A amount of 95,200 acre-feet; and

**WHEREAS**, the Water Supply Contract, as amended, requires the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency to make payments to the Department of Water Resources for water service for the following charges: (1) a Delta Water Charge, (2) a Transportation Charge, (3) a Devil Canyon-Castaic Contract Charge, (4) an Off-Aqueduct Power Facilities Charge as an addition to the Transportation Charge and (5) a Water System Revenue Bond Surcharge; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Article 29 of the Water Supply Contract and Articles 17 and 22 of the Devil Canyon-Castaic Contract, the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency has received statements of charges embracing and detailing the payment due in July 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, a summary of the charges contained in the statements is as follows and the total of the invoiced July 2020 Water Supply Contract charges is \$4,762,717, plus Variable Operation, Maintenance, Power and Replacement Charges.

	<b>Delta Water Charge</b>	<b>Transportation Charge</b>	<b>Devil Canyon Castaic Charge</b>	<b>Off-Aqueduct Power Charge</b>	<b>Water System Revenue Bond Surcharge</b>	<b>Total</b>
July 2020	\$ 1,884,437	\$ 1,824,346	\$ 78,643	\$ 9,842	\$ 965,449	\$ 4,762,717

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Directors of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency authorizes the General Manager to disburse funds from the State Water Contract Fund, subject to adjustments, in a timely manner to meet the Water Supply Contract and Devil Canyon-Castaic Contract payment obligations due in July 2020.

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Upon motion of Director Cooper, seconded by Director DiPrimio and carried, the Board approved Resolution Nos. SCV-160, SCV-161, SCV-162 and SCV-163 establishing banking authority by the following roll call votes (Item 5):

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

**RESOLUTION NO. SCV-160**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY  
ESTABLISHING BANKING AUTHORITY  
WITH WELLS FARGO**

**WHEREAS**, the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency has an existing banking relationship with the Valencia Branch of the Wells Fargo Bank (Bank) with respect to its General Account and Investment/Brokerage Account; and

**WHEREAS**, said Bank requests that the Agency define Agency officials authorized to make withdrawals from and perform other business details concerning said account; and

**WHEREAS**, consistent with the terms of this resolution, the Agency’s Board finds it to be in the Agency’s best interest to authorize continuation of the above banking relationships.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the President, Vice Presidents (2), General Manager, Assistant General Manager, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer, Director of

Finance and Administration, Controller and Accounting Manager are authorized to sign or countersign withdrawal orders, and Wells Fargo Bank is authorized to honor and pay all withdrawal orders – including those drawn to the order of the President, Vice Presidents (2); General Manager, Assistant General Manager, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer, Director of Finance and Administration, Controller and Accounting Manager, signed in the manner required by this resolution.

**RESOLVED FURTHER** that the General Manager, Assistant General Manager, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer, Director of Finance and Administration, Controller and Accounting Manager are authorized to order withdrawals from said account up to a **maximum of \$25,000 per order on his or her signature only**, and either said General Manager, Assistant General Manager, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer, Director of Finance and Administration, Controller and Accounting Manager is authorized to order withdrawals from said accounts **exceeding the sum of \$25,000 but not exceeding \$1,000,000** per order on his or her signature when the order is **countersigned by one** of the authorized signatures of the President, Vice Presidents (2), General Manager, Assistant General Manager, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer, Director of Finance and Administration, Controller, Accounting Manager.

**RESOLVED FURTHER** that the President, Vice Presidents (2), General Manager, Assistant General Manager, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer, Director of Finance and Administration, Controller and Accounting Manager are authorized to order withdrawals from the account **without limit when countersigned by one** of the authorized signatures of the **President or the Vice Presidents (2)**.

**RESOLVED FURTHER** that any and all of the foregoing nine Agency Officers are hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Agency all Bank forms and agreements which, in their absolute discretion, are consistent with this resolution.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. SCV-161**

##### **A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY ESTABLISHING BANKING AUTHORITY FOR THE NEWHALL WATER DIVISION WITH WELLS FARGO**

**WHEREAS**, the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency, Newhall Water Division, has an existing banking relationship with Wells Fargo Bank (Bank) with respect to the General Account; and

**WHEREAS**, said Bank requests that the Agency define Agency officials authorized to make withdrawals from and perform other business details concerning said account; and

**WHEREAS**, consistent with the terms of this resolution, the Agency's Board finds it to be in the Agency's best interest to authorize continuation of the above banking relationships.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the President, Vice Presidents (2), General Manager, Assistant General Manager, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer, Director of Finance and Administration, Controller and Accounting Manager are authorized to sign or countersign withdrawal orders, and Wells Fargo Bank is authorized to honor and pay all withdrawal orders – including those drawn to the order of the President, Vice Presidents (2),

General Manager, Assistant General Manager, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer, Director of Finance and Administration, Controller and Accounting Manager signed in the manner required by this resolution.

**RESOLVED FURTHER** that the General Manager; Assistant General Manager, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer, Director of Finance and Administration, Controller and Accounting Manager is authorized to order withdrawals from said account up to a **maximum of \$25,000 per order on his or her signature only**, and either said General Manager, Assistant General Manager, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer, Director of Finance and Administration, Controller and Accounting Manager is authorized to order withdrawals from said accounts **exceeding the sum of \$25,000 but not to exceed \$1,000,000** per order on his or her signature when the order is **countersigned by one** of the authorized signatures of the President, Vice Presidents (2), General Manager, Assistant General Manager, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer, Director of Finance and Administration, Controller and Accounting Manager.

**RESOLVED FURTHER** that the President, Vice Presidents (2), General Manager, Assistant General Manager, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer, Director of Finance and Administration, Controller or Accounting Manager is authorized to order withdrawals from each account **without limit when countersigned by one** of the authorized signatures of the **President or Vice Presidents (2)**.

**RESOLVED FURTHER** that any and all of the foregoing nine Agency Officers are hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Agency all Bank forms and agreements which, in their absolute discretion, are consistent with this resolution.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. SCV-162**

#### **A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY ESTABLISHING BANKING AUTHORITY FOR THE SANTA CLARITA WATER DIVISION WITH WELLS FARGO**

**WHEREAS**, the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency, Santa Clarita Water Division, has an existing banking relationship with the Valencia Branch of the Wells Fargo Bank (Bank) with respect to the Retail Revenue Account, Disbursement Account; and Investment/Brokerage Account; and

**WHEREAS**, said Bank requests that the Agency define Agency officials authorized to make withdrawals from and perform other business details concerning said account; and

**WHEREAS**, consistent with the terms of this resolution, the Agency's Board finds it to be in the Agency's best interest to authorize continuation of the above banking relationships.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the President, Vice Presidents (2), General Manager, Assistant General Manager, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer, Director of Finance and Administration, Controller, and Accounting Manager are authorized to sign or countersign withdrawal orders, and Wells Fargo Bank is authorized to honor and pay all withdrawal orders – including those drawn to the order of the President, Vice Presidents (2), General Manager, Assistant General Manager, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer,

Director of Finance and Administration, Controller, and Accounting Manager signed in the manner required by this resolution.

**RESOLVED FURTHER** that the General Manager, Assistant General Manager, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer, Director of Finance and Administration, Controller, and Accounting Manager is authorized to order withdrawals from said account up to a **maximum of \$25,000 per order on his or her signature only**, and either said General Manager, Assistant General Manager, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer, Director of Finance and Administration, Controller and Accounting Manager is authorized to order withdrawals from said accounts **exceeding the sum of \$25,000 but not to exceed \$1,000,000** per order on his or her signature when the order is **countersigned by one** of the authorized signatures of the President, Vice Presidents (2), General Manager, Assistant General Manager, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer, Director of Finance and Administration, Controller or Accounting Manager.

**RESOLVED FURTHER** that the President, Vice Presidents (2), General Manager, Assistant General Manager, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer, Director of Finance and Administration, Controller and Accounting Manager is authorized to order withdrawals from each account **without limit when countersigned by one** of the authorized signatures of the **President or Vice Presidents (2)**.

**RESOLVED FURTHER** that any and all of the foregoing nine Agency Officers are hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Agency all Bank forms and agreements which, in their absolute discretion, are consistent with this resolution.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. SCV-163**

##### **A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY ESTABLISHING BANKING AUTHORITY FOR THE VALENCIA DIVISION WITH WELLS FARGO**

**WHEREAS**, the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency, Valencia Division, has an existing banking relationship with the Valencia Branch of the Wells Fargo Bank (Bank) with respect to the Retail Revenue Account, Disbursement Account; and Investment/Brokerage Account; and

**WHEREAS**, said Bank requests that the Agency define Agency officials authorized to make withdrawals from and perform other business details concerning said account; and

**WHEREAS**, consistent with the terms of this resolution, the Agency's Board finds it to be in the Agency's best interest to authorize continuation of the above banking relationships.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the President, Vice Presidents (2), General Manager, Assistant General Manager, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer, Director of Finance and Administration, Controller and Accounting Manager are authorized to sign or countersign withdrawal orders, and Wells Fargo Bank is authorized to honor and pay all withdrawal orders – including those drawn to the order of the President, Vice Presidents (2), General Manager, Assistant General Manager, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer, Director of Finance and Administration, Controller and Accounting Manager signed in the manner required by this resolution.

**RESOLVED FURTHER** that the General Manager, Assistant General Manager, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer, Director of Finance and Administration, Controller and Accounting Manager is authorized to order withdrawals from said account up to a **maximum of \$25,000 per order on his or her signature only**, and either said General Manager, Assistant General Manager, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer, Director of Finance and Administration, Controller and Accounting Manager is authorized to order withdrawals from said accounts **exceeding the sum of \$25,000 but not to exceed \$1,000,000** per order on his or her signature when the order is **countersigned by one** of the authorized signatures of the President, Vice Presidents (2), General Manager, Assistant General Manager, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer, Director of Finance and Administration, Controller and Accounting Manager.

**RESOLVED FURTHER** that the President, Vice Presidents (2), General Manager, Assistant General Manager, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer, Director of Finance and Administration, Controller and Accounting Manager is authorized to order withdrawals from each account **without limit when countersigned by one** of the authorized signatures of the **President or Vice Presidents (2)**.

**RESOLVED FURTHER** that any and all of the foregoing nine Agency Officers are hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Agency all Bank forms and agreements which, in their absolute discretion, are consistent with this resolution.

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Upon motion of Director Cooper, seconded by Director DiPrimio and carried, the Board authorized the General Manager to extend the Site Control Agreement between SCV Water and Alamo Springs, LLC through December 31, 2021 by the following roll call votes (Item 6.1):

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

Upon motion of Director Atkins, seconded by Vice President Gladbach and carried, the Board authorized the General Manager to execute two-year contracts with each legislative Advocacy firm at the proposed rates by the following roll call votes (Item 6.2):

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

Upon motion of Director Atkins, seconded by Vice President Gladbach and carried, the Board approved the Social Media Plan for Fiscal Year 2020/21 by the following roll call votes (Item 6.3):

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

Upon motion of Director Cooper, seconded by Vice President Gladbach and carried, the Board confirmed the approval of debt to provide \$55 million of proceeds to be allocated as follows: \$10 million for retail capital projects with the remainder (approximately \$45 million) allocated to regional capital projects by the following roll call votes (Item 6.4):

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

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**General Manager's Report on Activities, Projects and Programs (Item 7).**

The General Manager reported on the progress and the preparations to obtain ratings and market Agency Bonds, as well as the potential buyout of the Agency's two solar power purchase agreements with the potential savings for our customers.

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**There were no comments on Committee Meeting Recap Reports Item 8 or Written Reports Item 9.**

**President's Report (Item 10).**

President Martin advised the Board that as discussed at the previous Board meeting he cast a vote for the incumbent Arlene Shafer for the CSDA Southern Board member Section Seat C.

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**AB 1234 Reports (Item 11).**

Written reports were submitted by President Martin and Vice President Gladbach and were included in the Board packet which is part of the record. Additional reports were submitted by Vice President Gutzeit and Director Plambeck which were posted on the SCV Water website, OnBoard and are part of the record.

President Martin and Director's DiPrimio and Ford reported that they attended the VIA State of the State webinar held on July 7, 2020.

President Martin, Vice President's Gladbach and Gutzeit and Directors Atkins and Cooper reported that they attended the SCV GSA Board meeting on July 6, 2020 held via teleconference.

There were no further AB 1234 Reports.

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**Director Reports (Item 12).**

There were no Director reports.

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**Director Requests for Approval for Event Attendance (Item 13).**

There were no Director requests for event attendance.

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**Request for Future Agenda Items (Item 14).**

There were no requests for future agenda items.

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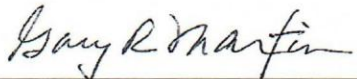
Upon motion of Director Plambeck, seconded by Vice President Gladbach and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM by the following roll call votes (Item 15):

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



April Jacobs, Board Secretary

ATTEST:



President of the Board

