

JOSHUA BASIN WATER DISTRICT
Minutes of the
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
October 6, 2010

1. **CALL TO ORDER** 7:00 PM
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Led by Gary Given
3. **DETERMINATION OF QUORUM:** By roll-call:
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| Bill Long | Present |
| Mickey Luckman | Present |
| Mike Reynolds | Present |
| Steven Whitman | Present |
| Gary Wilson | Present |

STAFF PRESENT: Joe Guzzetta, General Manager
Susan Greer, Assistant GM/Controller
Terry Spurrier, HR/Administrative Services Supervisor
Randy Little, Water Production Supervisor
Keith Faul, GIS Coordinator

GUESTS: 9

4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
MSC Long/Whitman 5/0 to approve the agenda for the Regular Meeting of October 6, 2010.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
None.

6. **CONSENT CALENDAR**
MSC Long/Whitman 4/1 to approve the Minutes of the Regular meeting of September 15, 2010.

Long	Aye
Luckman	Aye
Reynolds	Aye
Whitman	Aye
Wilson	No

7. **MOJAVE WATER AGENCY PRESENTATION**
President Luckman introduced Jim Ventura, Mojave Water Agency (MWA) Director. He spoke of challenges and opportunities facing MWA in its 50th year of existence. He acknowledged JBWD's efforts in water conservation which are being noted as a model throughout the region. He discussed the budget, revenues, and taxes noting that MWA has been very successful in receiving grants and has not raised taxes in the past several years. He commended JBWD for forming partnerships with High Desert Medical Center, Copper Mountain College, MWA and AWAC.

Director Ventura introduced Kirby Brill, General Manager, who thanked the Board for establishing an environment of partnership with MWA in addressing issues such as the Urban Water Management Plan, JBWD's Ground Water Recharge project, federal grant funding opportunities, water conservation, and similar efforts.

In reference to the presentation by Kirby Brill, Gary Lovelace, former Board Member, spoke in support of the ground water recharge project and in support of the District's trip to Washington DC to secure federal funds.

The Board thanked Mr. Ventura and Mr. Brill for their presentations

8. NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR JOSHUA TREE WATER WISE DEMONSTRATION GARDEN

The staff report was presented and the following action was taken:

MSC Long/Reynolds 4/1 to approve staff recommendation to authorize final payment and the Notice of Completion for the demonstration garden to be recorded subject to the lien period.

Long	Aye
Luckman	Aye
Reynolds	Aye
Whitman	Aye
Wilson	No

9. NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR WELL #16

The staff report was presented and the following action was taken:

MSC Reynolds/Whitman 5/0 to approve staff recommendation to authorize final payment and the Notice of Completion to be recorded for Well #16 subject to a retention of \$12,304.12 pending the lien period.

10. CONSIDERATION OF PURCHASE OF STAFF REPLACEMENT COMPUTERS

GIS Coordinator Keith Faul presented the staff report noting that the cost of the computer hardware was less than the \$20,000 budgeted, but that the cost of the necessary software brought the total cost of the project to \$22,162.83.

Gary Lovelace spoke in favor of purchasing the computers. Al Marquez spoke in opposition. Barbara Delph spoke in support of updating the computers citing several reasons that the purchase is cost effective and reasonable.

MSC Long/Whitman 4/1 to approve staff recommendation to authorize staff to purchase 18 replacement computers and software for staff at a total cost of \$22,162.83

Long	Aye
Luckman	Aye
Reynolds	Aye
Whitman	Aye
Wilson	No

11. REPORT ON DISTRICT EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

GIS Coordinator Keith Faul gave a presentation on emergency management training he attended at California Specialized Training Institute.

12. PROJECT PRIORITY LIST

The Board and staff reviewed the project list; Well #16 is complete and the SCADA computer replacement with backup is complete.

13. PUBLIC COMMENT

Joshua Tree resident Gary Lovelace urged the Board to proceed with projects necessary to be able to purchase and recharge water to avoid contaminating and having to treat water in the future. Al Marquez of Joshua Tree spoke in opposition to recharge stating that there is sufficient water supply without it.

Kathleen Radnich reported that JBWD will be present at the Earthquake Preparedness show sponsored by Home Depot on Saturday and Sunday October 9th and 10th.

14. GENERAL MANAGER REPORT

General Manager Joe Guzzetta advised the Board that the motor soft start for Well #10 failed on Monday and needs to be replaced at a cost of approximately \$8,600 noting that the well, which is the primary producer for the C Zone, could not be used until the equipment is replaced. He asked that the Board recognize this as an urgency item and take action to authorize the replacement.

MSC Long/Reynolds 5/0 to make the findings that this matter is urgent and could not have been known at the time the agenda was prepared.

MSC Long/Whitman 5/0 to approve the expenditure of \$8,600 for installation of a motor soft start at Well #10.

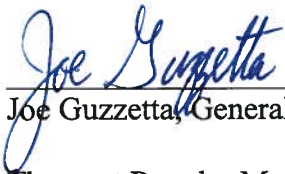
15. DIRECTORS COMMENTS/REPORTS

None.

16. ADJOURNMENT 8:32 PM

MSC Long/Whitman 5/0 to adjourn the October 6, 2010 Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors.

Respectfully submitted;



Joe Guzzetta, General Manager

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled for Wednesday October 20, 2010 at 7:00 pm.