

JOSHUA BASIN WATER DISTRICT
SPECIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2022

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – President Floen called the special board meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM – All Directors are present.

STAFF PRESENT – Sarah Johnson, General Manager, Anne Roman, Director of Finance, Autumn Rich, Accounting Supervisor, Jeremiah Nazario, Interim Director of Operations, Steve Corbin, Production Supervisor, and Brandon Warner, CIRP Supervisor, Lisa Thompson, Lead CSR.

CITIZENS ADVISORY COUNCIL – Chairperson David Carillo

CONSULTANTS PRESENT – Kathleen Radnich, Public Information Consultant, Jeff Hoskinson, Legal Counsel, and Alex Handlers, Bartle Wells Associates

APPROVAL OF AGENDA –

MSC (Jarlsberg/Doolittle) 5/0/0 motion carried to approve the agenda.

Ayes: Jarlsberg, Doolittle, Delph, Short, and Floen

Noes: None

Absent: None

PUBLIC COMMENT – None provided

UNITED WAY “H2O” LOW-INCOME PROGRAM – Anne Roman, Director of Finance presented on low income assistance program through United Way of the Desert, discussing that the program benefits non-water rate revenues and helps reduce bad debt. Ms. Roman highlighted that the proposal would increase the credit amount from \$50 to \$100 per participant without change in the overall budget. General consensus among the Directors that program will be beneficial to customers and District.. The Board also discussed possible outreach methods to make program known to community.

MSC (Doolittle/Jarlsberg): 5/0/0 motion carried to approve and increase annual credit amount from \$50 to \$100 per participant.

Ayes: Jarlsberg, Doolittle, Delph, Short, and Floen

Noes: None

Absent: None

PROP 218 NOTICE AUTHORIZATION & ADOPT RESOLUTION 22-1050 – Anne Roman, Director of Finance, provided a staff report recommending the Board select a final rate increase scenario, provide authorization for Prop 218 notices, and to adopt Resolution 22-1050 that would approve guidelines for the submission and tabulation of protests. Alex Handlers, Bartle Wells Associates, presented on Rate Study Preliminary and answered questions. After a series of discussions, the Board moved to select Rate Scenario A, provide authorization for Proposition 218 notices, and adopt Resolution 22-1050. No public comments were given.

FUTURE DIRECTOR MEETINGS – No changes as per the agenda.

ADJOURNMENT – MSC (Delph/Short) 5/0/0 motion carried to adjourn the meeting at 10:42 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'S. Johnson', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Sarah Johnson, General Manager & Board Secretary