

JOSHUA BASIN WATER DISTRICT
Minutes of the
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
June 25, 2008

1. **CALL TO ORDER** **7:00 PM**

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **DETERMINATION OF QUORUM:** By roll-call vote:
Bill Long Present
Gary Given Present
Gary Lovelace Present
Gary Wilson Present
Karl Wyne Present

STAFF PRESENT: Joe Guzzetta, General Manager
Joe Bocanegra, Interim Chief of Operations
Terry Spurrier, HR/Administrative Services Supervisor
Marie Salsberry, Executive Secretary

GUESTS: **2**

4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
MSC Given/Lovelace 5/0 to approve the agenda for the Special Meeting of June 25, 2008.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
None.

6. **CONSENT CALENDAR**
MSC Given/Lovelace 5/0 to Approve the revised Accounts Receivable job description.

7. **DISCUSS TWO-YEAR BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEARS 08/09 AND 09/10**
General Manager Guzzetta presented the draft two-year budget, noting that the budget provides for preventive maintenance programs, customer service programs and projects that the board has identified as priorities, as well as continuing operating costs. Directors commented that the draft budget presented reflected the Board and staff's commitment to the District's fiscal health and to keeping the water system in good condition through maintenance and improvement programs.

Director Wilson commented, "Well from what I've seen here I'd like to see the budget cut 10% the next two years, a total of 20%, except for mainline replacement. That's all I've got to say." President Long complimented staff and noted that the two-year budget along with the supplemental budget outlines the District's plan for the future.

MSC Given/Lovelace 4/1 to adopt the two year operating budget for fiscal years 08/09 and 09/10 as presented.

Given	Aye
Long	Aye
Lovelace	Aye

Wilson No
Wyne Aye

8. GENERAL MANAGER REPORT

GM Guzzetta reported the following:

The District has purchased a parcel from the County that was offered at the tax lien sale last year; the 1.25 acre site is suitable for a future well and cost the District only around \$2,000.

Field staff have been working a 9/80 schedule for some time and the office staff is interested in working this schedule. Since the main concern is adequate coverage for customer service, staff has been working a "mock" 9/80 schedule for the past several weeks, with one customer service staff member working away from the front desk and phones, to assess the impact. There has been no negative impact to customer service and staff is proposing to bring this item for the board's consideration at the next meeting.

Staff has been working with Southern California Edison regarding Well 16 electrical requirements. Interim Chief of Operations Joe Bocanegra's negotiations with Edison are resulting in a substantial savings to the District.

9. DIRECTOR COMMENTS/REPORTS

President Long commented that he would be interested in information on how Joshua Tree would be impacted by a seismic event on the San Andreas fault. Director Lovelace suggested that United States Geological Services might present information.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

11. ADJOURNMENT 7:43 PM

MSC Given/Long 5/0 to adjourn the June 25, 2008 Special Meeting of the Board of Directors.

Respectfully submitted;



Joe Guzzetta, General Manager

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled for July 2, 2008.