

RAND COMMUNITIES WATER DISTRICT

Regular Board Meeting

MINUTES

Wednesday, March 11, 2020

501 Comstock Ave, Johannesburg, CA 93528

I. Call to order

President Cliff Kennedy called to order the regular meeting of the Rand Community Water district at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, March 11, 2020 in Johannesburg, California.

II. Roll call

Present were President Cliff Kennedy, Director Tom Williams, Vice-president Ernest Napolis, Director Ghulam Din, and Director Will Liebscher.

III. Adopt Agenda

Item 13: revise Bylaws concerning board secretary status, removed with a motion by Director Liebscher, seconded by Vice-president Napolis. Motion passed with all ayes. Motion made by Vice-president Napolis to put director resignations after correspondence. Seconded by Director Liebscher. Motion passed with all ayes.

IV. Communications from the Public

No comments were given by any of the public present.

V. Correspondence

An email from the California State Water Board requested a revised budget for the arsenic grant that did not show a loss for the next five years. The budget was revised by the Office Manager and submitted as requested.

VI. Director Resignations

President Kennedy had previously told Vice-president Napolis over the phone that he and Director Williams had resigned during the last meeting. On a subsequent phone call President Kennedy told Vice-president Napolis that he and Director Williams were not going to resign after all. Both President Kennedy and director Williams reaffirmed in public during the meeting a month later that they were not resigning. Director Liebscher made a motion to accept the resignations of President Kennedy and Director Williams. Motion was not seconded. Motion died.

VII. Approve Minutes:

- November 13, 2019 Regular Board Meeting
- December 9, 2019 Special Board Meeting
- December 11, 2019 Regular Board Meeting
- January 8, 2020 Regular Board Meeting
- February 12, 2020 Regular Board Meeting

Director Williams made a motion to approve all the minutes from the previous meetings. President Kennedy seconded the motion. President Kennedy, Vice-president Napolis, and Director Williams voted aye. Directors Din and Liebscher voted nay. Motion passed.

VIII. Bills Paid

Office Manager Debbie Jones presented the bills to be paid along with the checks to be signed to the Board. All checks presented were signed.

IX. General Manager's Report

General Manager presented his monthly report to the Board along with the monthly financials. He requested to have two of the extra booster pumps rebuilt. Vice-president Napolis made a motion to send two booster pumps to be inspected for a quote to be rebuilt, seconded by Director Williams. Motion passed with four ayes. Director Liebscher abstained.

X. Above Ground Valve Access

President Kennedy wanted to know why we stopped putting in metal boxes and putting the valve pipes above the ground. GM Thompson said he started doing it because when the ground got soft, he started putting in standpipes. That way if someone drives over them the valves will not be damaged. It was thought they should be at ground level if near the road.

XI. Board Secretary's Timecard and Employment Status

Vice-President Napolis made a motion to discuss the Board Secretary's timecard and employment status in a closed session during the next meeting. It was seconded by director Williams. President Kennedy, Vice-president Napolis, and director Williams voted aye. Director Din voted nay, and Director Liebscher abstained. Motion passed.

Vice-president Napolis made a motion to pay the \$41.00 timecard for the Board Secretary. Director Williams seconded the motion. President Kennedy, Vice-president Napolis and Director Williams voted aye. Directors Din and Liebscher voted nay. Motion Passed.

President Kennedy directed Director Liebscher to bring all the evidence he has that the Brown Act and other things have been violated to the next meeting.

XII. Audit Status

Office Manager Debbie Jones reported on the status of the audit. The auditors have started the 2018-2019 audit and were going to reconcile the previous audit with the new audit starting numbers.

XIII. Catastrophic Water Claims

The claim for Ron Scheer was modified due to snow being on the ground at the time of the loss and not being able to see the leak. GM Thompson recommended to charge only what he used last year during the same month. The claim for Shirley White was to be charged what she used last year during the same month. The claim for Elizabeth Clifford stated malicious thieves had turned on her faucets and she had them locked off. She was to be charged what was used last year during the same month.

Vice-President Napolis made a motion to change the bills for the three catastrophic claims to be for one month. Director Williams seconded the motion. President Kennedy,

Vice-president Napolis, Director Williams and Director Din voted aye. Director Liebscher abstained.

XIV. Catastrophic Bank Account

General Manager Thompson recommended to close the Catastrophic bank account because it was not being used. The money currently in it was to be put into savings. Vice-president Napolis made a motion to close the Catastrophic savings account and put the money from it into the TERF Savings account. Seconded by President Kennedy. President Kennedy, Vice-president Napolis, Director Williams and Director Din voted aye. Director Liebscher abstained.

XV. Delinquent Account Hearing for Property Tax Inclusion

Hearing to be held on April 8 at 6:00 pm, an hour before the regular meeting.

XVI. Future Agenda Items

Board Secretary closed session discussion of timecard and employment status.

XVII. Adjournment

Director Ghulam Din made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Vice-president Napolis. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

ATTEST: _____
Debbie Jones, Recorder