

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF YUIMA MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

Date: April 22, 2024

Time: 2:03 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Yuima Municipal Water District was held at the office of the district located at 34928 Valley Center Rd., Pauma Valley, California on Monday, the 22nd day of April 2024. The meeting was called to order at 2:03 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was performed.

II. ROLL CALL – DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

General Manager Reeh conducted roll call and declared that a quorum of the Board was present.

Directors In Attendance

Roland Simpson
Steve Wehr
Laurie Kariya
Bruce Knox
Don Broomell

Directors Absent

Others In Attendance

Amy Reeh, General Manager, YMWD
Jeremy Jungreis, District Counsel
Lynette Brewer, Finance and Admin Manager, YMWD
Mark Quinn, Operations Manager, YMWD
Breona Easley, Accounting Technician, YMWD
Allen Simon, Lead Systems Technician, YMWD
Matt Munaco, Water Systems Tech. II, YMWD
Noel Ruiz, Distribution Water Quality Tech, YMWD
Rosbelth Valenzuela, Utility Worker I, YMWD

Carson Drown, Water Systems Tech I, YMWD
Kristina Daily, Administrative Clerk, YMWD
La Vonne Peck, member of the public

III. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Staff requested to add item VI. f) to the agenda, as well as move item VI. e) to the beginning of the Action Items. Upon motion by Director Kariya and seconded by Director Wehr, the revised agenda was approved by the following roll-call vote, to wit:

AYES: Simpson, Wehr, Broomell, Kariya, Knox

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

V. CONSENT CALENDAR

a) Approve Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 25, 2024

b) Approve of Accounts Paid and Payables & Reporting under Government Code §53065.5 for March 2024

c) Acceptance of Monthly Financial Reports – March 2024, Treasurer’s Report and Cash Statements

Upon motion by Director Knox and seconded by Director Kariya, the *Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 25, 2024, Approval of Accounts Paid and Payables & Reporting under Government Code §53065.5 for March 2024, Acceptance of Monthly Financial Reports – March 2024, Treasurer’s Report and Cash Statements*, was approved and carried unanimously by the following roll-call vote, to wit:

AYES: Simpson, Wehr, Broomell, Kariya, Knox

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

VI. ACTION / DISCUSSION

a) Proposed Resolution Showing Appreciation to Mark Quinn for 34 Years for Outstanding Public Service to the People of Yuima Municipal Water District

Operations Manager Quinn was presented with a Resolution of appreciation and gift from the Board for his dedicated service to Yuima Municipal Water District. Upon motion by Director Kariya and seconded by Director Broomell, **Resolution No. 1958-24 Showing Appreciation to Mark Quinn for 34 Years for Outstanding Public Service to the People of Yuima Municipal Water District** was approved and carried unanimously by the following roll-call vote, to wit:

AYES: Simpson, Wehr, Broomell, Kariya, Knox

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

b) Public Hearing to Receive Comments and Consider Adoption of the Proposed Ordinance Fixing a Water Availability Charge for the District (2024/2025)

President Simpson called the public hearing to order. General Manager Reeh reported the Notice of Public Hearing was given no less than fifteen (15) days prior to the hearing via the local paper and a copy is on file with the District. Secretary Broomell reported that there were zero (0) written letters of protest received. There being no members of the public wishing to speak, President Simpson declared the hearing closed.

1-A. Ordinance 143-24 Fixing a Water Availability Charge for the District (2024/2025)

Upon motion offered by Director Kariya, seconded by Director Broomell, **Ordinance 143-24 Fixing a Water Availability Charge for the District (2024/2025)** was approved and carried unanimously by the following roll-call vote, to wit:

AYES: Simpson, Wehr, Broomell, Kariya, Knox

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

c) [Resolution 1956-24 Setting Forth the Time and Place of Hearing and Giving Notice of Hearing for a Water Rate Increase](#)

Following discussion and upon motion offered by Director Knox, seconded by Director Wehr, *Resolution 1956-24 Setting Forth the Time and Place of Hearing and Giving Notice of Hearing for a Water Rate Increase* was approved and carried unanimously by the following roll-call vote, to wit:

AYES: Simpson, Wehr, Broomell, Kariya, Knox
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

d) [Resolution 1957-24 Adopting an Annual Statement of Investment Policy and Rescinding Resolution 1951-23](#)

Upon motion offered by Director Broomell, seconded by Director Knox, *Resolution 1957-24 Adopting an Annual Statement of Investment Policy and Rescinding Resolution 1951-23* was approved and carried unanimously by the following roll-call vote, to wit:

AYES: Simpson, Wehr, Broomell, Kariya, Knox
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

e) [Discussion: Forthcoming Groundwater Management Authority Pumping Fees and Additional Budget Rate Drivers](#)

General Manager Reeh discussed additional rate drivers for the 2024/2025 fiscal year including new pumping fees expected to be assessed by the Upper San Luis Rey Groundwater Management Authority. No fees have been adopted to date but are expected to be adopted and assessed on July 1st, 2024. General Manager Reeh also discussed the expected rate increase from the San Diego County Water Authority, which could be as high as 22%. Jeremy Jungreis gave further explanation of fees in comparison to other Groundwater Sustainability Agencies.

f) [Discussion and Possible Approval of Addendum No. 1 to the Memorandum of Understanding for the Regional Crop SWAP Program](#)

General Manager Reeh discussed the opportunity to participate in the newly expanded Rancho California Crop SWAP Program. An MOU was developed between Rancho, Valley Center, Rainbow, Fallbrook, and City of Oceanside. Further discussions between Rancho, the City of Escondido, and Yuima has resulted in an Amendment to the MOU to include Yuima and the City of Escondido.

Following discussion, the Board decided not to bring the item to a vote.

VII. INFORMATION / REPORTS

a) Board Reports / Meetings

Administrator Reeh updated the Board on the SDCWA's rate structure change.

b) Administrative

The General Manager's Report was available in the Board Packet.

c) Capital Improvements

The Capital Improvements Report was available in the Board Packet.

d) Operations

The Operations Report was available in the Board Packet.

e) Counsel

Counsel was in attendance and had nothing to report.

f) Finance & Administrative Services

General Manager Reeh briefly discussed the lack of water sales for the current year causing a revenue shortfall. The District is entering warmer months and water sales are expected to increase, however staff cannot predict if the District will meet its budgeted sales estimates for the fiscal year.

VII. CLOSED SESSION

Conference with Legal Counsel – Potential Litigation – 1 Case – Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9.

The Board entered closed session at 3:50 p.m. and returned to open session at 4:09 p.m. with nothing to report.

VIII. OTHER BUSINESS

- a) June 3, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. Special Meeting 1st Budget Review (this meeting is in lieu of the Regular Meeting originally scheduled for May 20, 2024).
- b) June 24, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. Regular Meeting 2nd Budget Review and possible adoption.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting of the Board of Directors of the Yuima Municipal Water District was adjourned at 4:09 p.m. until the next special meeting on June 3rd, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.



Roland Simpson, President



Don Broomell, Secretary/Treasurer