

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SERRANO WATER DISTRICT

The Board of Directors of the Serrano Water District met in a regularly scheduled board meeting on Tuesday, March 28, 2023. The meeting was held at the District Office located at 18021 Lincoln Street, Villa Park, California.

CALL TO ORDER: President Reese called the meeting to order at 8:33 a.m.

ROLL CALL:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEMBERS PRESENT:

Brad Reese	President
Frank Bryant	Vice-President
Greg Mills	Board Member
Jerry Haight	Board Member

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT:

Jerry Vilander	General Manager
Laura Heflin	Administrative Assistant
Vittorio Roggero	Business Manager
Jeremy Jungreis	Legal Counsel

GUESTS PRESENT:

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

BOARD MINUTES

Consideration of Serrano Water District Board Meeting minutes of the special board meetings of February 24, 2023 and March 7, 2023. Director Mills moved that the minutes of the February 24, 2023 and March 7, 2023 meetings be approved as submitted, Director Haight seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously carried with Directors Bryant, Haight, Mills and Reese voting yes.

The closed session agenda item was moved out of sequence and the Board of Directors entered into closed session at 8:40 a.m.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

Conference with real property negotiators (Government Code Section 54956.8)
Property: Storage Rights and other District Real Property at Santiago Reservoir (Irvine Lake), adjacent to 4621 Santiago Canyon Road, Silverado Canyon, CA 92676.
Agency Negotiator: Jerry Vilander
Negotiating Parties: Irvine Ranch Water District
Under Negotiation: Price and terms

The Board of Directors announced that the meeting was reconvened into open session at 10:00 a.m. with no reportable action.

GENERAL MANAGER REPORT

General Manager Vilander summarized the status of Board Committee and management matters as agendaized for the month of February. Highlights included a review of various meetings attended and current issues. General Manager Vilander gave an update on the Smith Reservoir project, Santiago Reservoir construction timeline, WIFIA loan options, and the new meter reading system. Additionally, it was reported that a new truck had been purchased for the crew (budgeted item) and that there were two main line breaks on Regency and Coral Tree. Director Mills asked General Manager Vilander to try and schedule a meeting with staff from Congresswoman Kim's office. Attorney Jungreis reported that Attorney Thai Tham may be able to assist with scheduling a meeting with Senator Minh.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Business Manager Roggero presented the financials for the month of February. It was moved (Director Mills) seconded (Director Haight), and unanimously carried with Directors Bryant, Reese, Haight and Mills voting yes to approve the disbursements in the amount of \$436,816.04. General Manager Vilander will follow up with OCWD regarding reimbursement for water.

WATER REPORT

General Manager presented the water report for the month of February and noted that water is being released from Santiago Reservoir. The report was received and filed.

SANTIAGO RESERVOIR PROJECT UPDATE

Director Haight reported that he had been viewing increasing rates at other water agencies and cities and noted that Mesa is doing pass throughs and taxes. He suggested that the District's bills may be broken out to include capital improvement costs, etc. It was decided that a Transparency Committee meeting will be scheduled to review a sample bill as well as another that would include for the forecast for the Santiago Reservoir improvements. This information will be brought back to the Board of Directors for potential review and approval.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

DIRECTORS COMMENTS AND REPORTS

None.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Attorney Jungreis reported that he will be attending the ACWA Conference in Monterey due to a schedule change and calendared a dinner appointment with attendees for Monday evening.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was formally adjourned at 10:45 a.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting is scheduled for April 25, 2023 @ 8:30 a.m. and a Special Board Meeting to conduct interviews for the Board vacancy is scheduled for April 21, 2023 @ 10:00 a.m.

Laura Heflin
Administrative Assistant