

**MINUTES OF THE
MARCH 18, 2019
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING
OF THE RIO LINDA/ELVERTA COMMUNITY WATER DISTRICT**

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL

The March 18, 2019 meeting of the Board of Directors of the Rio Linda/Elverta Community Water District called to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Visitor's Depot Center located at 6730 Front Street, Rio Linda, CA 95673. General Manager Tim Shaw took roll call of the Board of Directors. Director Harris, Director Jason Green, Director Paul Green, Director Brent Dills and President John Ridilla, and General Manager Tim Shaw were present. Director Jason Green led the pledge of allegiance.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

3.1 Minutes

February 25, 2019 and March 04, 2019

3.2 Expenditures

3.3 Financial Reports

It was moved by Director Dills and seconded by Director Harris to approve the consent calendar. Directors Dills, Jason Green, Harris, Paul Green and Ridilla voted yes. The motion carried with unanimous vote of 5-0-0.

REGULAR CALENDAR

4. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION

4.1 GM Report

GM Shaw provided his written report to the Board.

No public comment.

The Board made no action on this item

4.2 District Engineer's Report

District Engineer Mike Vasquez provided a written report to the Board of projects in the works since the last meeting of the Board. The report highlighted topics of General District Engineering, Development Plan Review, Well 16 Equipping and Site Design Project, Well 10 Hexavalent Chromium Treatment Project.

Mike informed the Board that Well #16 design is underway.

No public comment on this item.

The Board made no action on this item

4.3 Consider Authorizing the transfer of funds from the Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) to California Employers' Retiree Benefit Trust (CERBT) for Retiree Medical Insurance Obligations.

The District has already executed a contract with California Employers Retiree Benefits Trust (CERBT) for pre-funding retiree medical via an investment vehicle with a higher rate of return than the previous Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF). The committees and board sessions leading up to the execution of the CERBT contract clearly conveyed the District's desire to transfer LAIF funds to the CERBT investment program. Now it is time to execute the change.

GM Shaw informed the Board that the LAIF account can remain open without funds for future use of investments like capacity fees, so the LAIF's current balance can be transferred into the CERBT fund.

It was moved by Director Harris and seconded by Director Ridilla to authorize the transfer of funds from the Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) to California Employers' Retiree Benefit Trust (CERBT) for Retiree Medical Insurance Obligations. Directors Dills, Jason Green, Harris, Paul Green and Ridilla voted yes. The motion carried with unanimous vote of 5-0-0.

4.4 Authorizing the Master Services Agreement with California Bank and Trust to enable the District to accept Automated Clearing House (ACH) payment method (initially discussed at 2-25-2019 Board meeting).

Legal Counsel has been reviewing the substantially comprehensive MSA pursuant to the Board direction at the February 25th meeting. Additionally, staff has been evaluating the feasibility and timing of seeking banking services from another source, preferably with a more reasonable MSA. GM Shaw informed the Board that there is no contractual agreement or penalty to enable the MSA with CB & T and later execute a preferential agreement with another bank.

It was moved by Director Dills and seconded by Director Ridilla to approve the MSA with CB & T and continue evaluating an agreement with another bank. Directors Dills, Jason Green, Harris, and Ridilla voted yes. Director Paul Green voted no. The motion carried with a vote of 4-1-0.

4.5 Consider authorizing the RWA Water Bank Phase 1 Participation Agreement.

The Regional Water Authority (RWA) Regional Water Reliability Plan has centered around conjunctive use since inception. The manifestation of conjunctive use is the Water Bank. A key element of the Water Bank is to secure funding from both inside (participants) and outside of the region. A form of funding would be purchasing of banked water during dry years. Outside the region, there may be funding from grants and potential water purchasers outside the region to construct the infrastructure, e.g. interties and transmission lines.

The first phase is relatively low cost. The calculated RLECWD share is \$4000, with a not to exceed (contingency for if some agencies drop out) of \$4,800. Participation in phase one does not obligate the District to participate in phase two, which is expected to cost substantially more.

The District would have to remain in RWA in order to participate in Phase 1 of this agreement. The Board needs to determine if whether they are okay with remaining a 4,700 connection, groundwater only agency, or they are willing to invest in the chance for a solution to the PF-8 prohibition.

It was moved by President Ridilla to table the item and invite Rob Swartz from RWA to our next Board meeting.

4.6 Consider confirming any new Board Member assignments (committees and other) announced by the Chair pursuant to District Policy 2.01.065.

President Ridilla stated the Planning Committee would remain with Director Dills and Harris and the Finance / Admin. Committee would remain with himself and Director Harris.

5. INFORMATION ITEMS

5.1. DISTRICT ACTIVITY REPORT

- a. Water Operations Report
- b. Conservation Report

5.2. BOARD REPORTS

- a. Report any ad hoc committees dissolved by requirements in Policy 2.01.065
- b. Regional Water Authority – Agenda, Executive Summary written report provided.
- c. Sacramento Groundwater Authority – No meeting.
- d. LAFCO – Paul Green
- e. Planning Committee – No Minutes, meeting was canceled.
- f. Finance / Administrative Committee – Minutes provided.
- g. ACWA –
- h. ACWA JPIA -
- h. AD Hoc Committees
 - 1. MOU Negotiations –
 - 2. RWA Withdrawal Contemplation –
- i. Other Reports

6. DIRECTORS' AND GENERAL MANAGER COMMENTS

GM Shaw informed the Board that he received a request for a letter of support to be sent to Senator Nielsen and Assemblyman Gallagher for funding for Paradise surface water agency. The Board agreed to send the letter.

No public present for comment on closed session.

The Board convened to closed session at 7:23 p.m.

7. CLOSED SESSION - The Board of Directors will convene to Closed Session to discuss the following item.

A. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS - (Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.5(f) and Government Code Section 54957.6) District Negotiators: Harris, Dills, Shaw, and Vierra.

RLECWD Employee General Unit MOU renewal negotiations.

B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION: (Pursuant to paragraph (1) of subsection (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

Two Cases:

Rio Linda Elverta Community Water District v. United States, Case No. 1:17-cv-00859

Rio Linda Elverta Community Water District v. United States, Case No. 2:17-cv-01349

8. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

8.1 REPORT OF ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION.

The reconvened to open session 7:53 p.m.

The Board reported out they agreed to sign the Common Interest Agreement with Sacramento Suburban Water District pursuant to current litigation. *The vote in closed session carried with unanimous vote of 5-0-0.*

9. ADJOURNMENT

President Ridilla adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m. in honor of GM Tim Shaw's father-in-law, Keith Woodrow Cariker, who passed away last night.

Respectfully submitted,

Signature on File
Timothy R. Shaw, Secretary

Signature on File
John Ridilla., President of the Board