LAVWMA

Livermore-Amador Valley Water Management Agency Minutes

Regular Meeting of Board of Directors
Wednesday, February 19, 2020
Pleasanton City Council Chambers
200 Old Bernal Avenue, Pleasanton, California
6:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order

Chair Jerry Pentin called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

Board Members Present: Chair Jerry Pentin; Vice Chair Bob Woerner; Directors, Ann Marie Johnson, John Marchand, Julie Testa, and Georgean Vonheeder-Leopold

Board Members Absent: None

Staff Present: General Counsel Alexandra Barnhill, General Manager Chuck Weir, DSRSD Operations Manager Jeff Carson, DSRSD Financial Services Supervisor Herman Chen, and Recording Secretary Sue Montague

Staff Absent: None

Others Present: None

4. Order of Agenda

There were no changes to the order of the agenda.

5. Comments from the Public

There were no comments from the public.

6. Consent Calendar

a. Minutes of November 20, 2019 LAVWMA Board Meeting

Director Marchand motioned, seconded by Director Woerner to approve Consent Calendar Item No. 6.a.

The Motion passed unanimously (6-0).

7. Financial Reporting for the Fiscal Year June 30, 2020

Treasurer Atwood provided a summary of the financial statements for the period ending June 30, 2020. She focused on the new Operations and Maintenance Budget vs. Actual Spreadsheet, which shows comparisons between the current and prior fiscal years. Operating revenues for

O&M have already been collected from the member agencies. PG&E costs for power are under budget due to the low rainfall to date. A major difference between the two years is that the EBDA debt has been paid so it will not show going forward. All expenses are tracking normally.

This was an information item requiring no action by the Board.

8. Approval of a Resolution Changing the Official Regular Meeting Location

Historically, the Board's official regular meeting location was the DSRSD main office but was changed to Pleasanton City Hall in 2019 due to flooding at DSRSD. The Board discussed the pros and cons of continuing to hold meetings at Pleasanton City Hall or to return to the renovated DSRSD main office. Since the Pleasanton location was intended to be temporary, it is not known if the site would be available on a permanent basis. Staff had recommended returning to DSRSD in Resolution 20-__.

Director Vonheeder-Leopold motioned, seconded by Director Johnson to approve Resolution No. 20-__ Changing the Official Regular Meeting Location.

The Motion passed (4-2) with Directors Marchand and Woerner voting no.

There was additional discussion regarding the action just taken.

Chair Pentin motioned, seconded by Director Testa to reconsider the prior motion and table the decision on the matter of regular meeting location until the next regular Board meeting pending a determination that City of Pleasanton was willing and able to host the Board meetings on a permanent basis.

The Motion passed (4-2) with Directors Johnson and Vonheeder-Leopold voting no. As a result, no final action was taken on Resolution No. 20-__ and the regular meetings will remain at Pleasanton City Hall. Chair Pentin offered to discuss the issue with City of Pleasanton and report back.

9. LAVWMA Quarterly Reports of Operations, 2nd Quarter, FY2019-2020

The Board reviewed the Report and General Manager Weir highlighted some of the charts and graphs in it. The Board asked about the high special sampling costs under laboratory analysis. Jeff Carson said that it could be enterococcus testing (since confirmed) that is sometimes required by EBDA. Director Woerner asked about the pumping efficiency chart and requested that a target value be included in the chart.

This was an information item requiring no action by the Board.

10. Project Status Reports – Risk Analysis of the Pump Station and Failure Analysis of the Forcemain System and Engineering Services for the Motor Control Center Replacement Project

Mr. Weir noted that both projects were approved by the Board at the August 21, 2019 Board meeting. He discussed the changes made to the scope for the pump station risk analysis and forcemain inspection and the data that has been provided by the member agencies to assist in

developing the revised scope. HydroScience is nearing completion on the revised scope and it is expected that the agreement will be finalized by the end of the month.

He also noted that the Notice to Proceed for the Motor Control Center Replacement project has been issued to the contractor DTN Engineers, with an effective date of February 19, 2020. The project is scheduled to cover two fiscal year periods due to scheduling needs and to be completed by December 31, 2021.

This was an information item only requiring no action by the Board.

11. Resolution Approving a Lump Sum Payment to EBDA for LAVWMA's Share of EBDA's Other Post-Employment Benefits and Pension Accounts

The General Manager explained that during the approval of EBDA's new Joint Powers Agreement that they also approved goals of an 80% funding target for Other Post-Employment Benefits and 95% funding target for the pension account. For LAVWMA to comply with those goals, it will take a payment of \$135,708, which includes a credit of \$75,835 from the FY2018/19 budget closeout. Treasurer Atwood stated that this would be good practice and would save money in the long run. She also noted that additional payments could be required as conditions may change in the future.

Director Marchand motioned, seconded by Director Woerner to approve Resolution No. 20-01 Approving a Lump Sum Payment to EBDA for LAVWMA's Share of EBDA's Post-Employment Benefits and Pension Accounts

The Motion passed unanimously (6-0).

12. Resolution Designating Authorized Representatives for FEMA and California OES Disaster Assistance

The General Manager described the EBDA sponsored workshop that he and Jeff Carson attended and the recommendation to designate positions to deal with FEMA and CalOES in case disaster assistance is required. The recommendation was to appoint the positions of General Manager, General Counsel, and DSRSD Operations Manager to act as authorized representatives of LAVWMA and that the designation needs to be reapproved every three years.

Director Woerner motioned, seconded by Director Vonheeder-Leopold to approve Resolution No. 20-02 Designating Authorized Representatives for FEMA and California OES Disaster Assistance.

The Motion passed unanimously (6-0).

13. Update and Response to Various Legal and Legislative Issues

The General Manager and General Counsel updated the Board on legislation of interest. SB332 Hertzberg, which would require huge reductions in discharges to oceans and bays was currently on hold but could resurface next year. General Counsel noted that connection fees and other service fees continue to be a target for the Legislature as a result of the housing crisis. Ongoing issues with PFAS were also discussed.

This was an information item only requiring no action by the Board.

14. Website Upgrade Status Report and Approval of New Logo

The General Manager described the process for updating the website and showed mockups for both LAVWMA and EBDA. The LAVWMA mockup is in the very initial stages and EBDA's is much farther along. There was discussion regarding photos for the website as well as other issues including a search feature and the use of short videos. Chair Pentin offered his services to use a drone to take high definition phots of the pump station at no cost to LAVWMA. The Board reviewed the three samples for the new logo and agreed with staff's recommendation. The board suggested enhancing the green slightly in the proposed new logo.

Director Marchand motioned, seconded by Director Woerner to approve the new logo recommended by staff.

The Motion passed unanimously (6-0).

15. General Manager's Report

Mr. Weir referred to the list of activities in his report. Many of the items listed in the report were covered by agenda items discussed at the Board meeting. He focused discussion on the approval of the EBDA Joint Powers Agreement and issues that will need to be addressed through the negotiation of a new master agreement between EBDA and LAVWMA. He also noted that the Board may need to have special Board meetings to discuss EBDA agreement issues given the timing of the Board's regular quarterly meetings.

16. Matters From/For Board Members

There were no matters from the Board.

17. Next Regular Board Meeting, Wednesday, May 20, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

18. Adjournment

There being no further action, Chair Pentin adjourned the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

Minutes Approved by the Board May 20, 2020.

Charles V. Weir General Manager

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