# DSRSD • EBMUD RECYCLED WATER AUTHORITY (DERWA)

## Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes Monday, April 27, 2015

Dublin San Ramon Services District 7051 Dublin Boulevard, Dublin, California

<u>1. CALL TO ORDER</u> – Chair Howard called the DSRSD • EBMUD Recycled Water Authority (DERWA) meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Dublin San Ramon Services District Boardroom.

#### 2. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

3. ROLL CALL – Directors present: Chair Pat Howard, Director Frank Mellon, Director Georgean Vonheeder-Leopold and Director John Coleman. DERWA Staff present: James Bewley, Authority Manager; Richard Lou, Treasurer; Robert Maddow, General Counsel and Susan Montague, Recording Secretary.

#### 4. BOARD REORGANIZATION

#### A. Election of Board Chair

Motion by Director Mellon, Second by Chair Howard, to Nominate Director John Coleman as DERWA Chair for 2015. Motion carried (4-0) by the following vote:

AYES:

Mellon, Howard, Vonheeder-Leopold, Coleman

NOES:

## B. Election of Board Vice Chair

Motion by Director Howard, Second by Director Mellon, to Nominate Director Ed Duarte as DERWA Vice Chair for 2015. Motion carried (4-0) by the following vote:

AYES:

Howard, Mellon, Vonheeder-Leopold, Coleman

NOES:

#### 5. SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS/ACTIVITIES

<u>6. PUBLIC COMMENT</u> – 6:05 p.m. – Former DSRSD Director Cynthia Jones introduced Sheryl Martinovich. Ms. Martinovich explained that she needed some support regarding the drought restrictions and her need for water for fourteen of her twenty-eight redwood trees. Although DERWA was unable to assist her directly, after some discussion between Ms. Martinovich, various Board members and Authority Manager Bewley, the Board was able to direct her to Richard Harris at EBMUD. In the audience was Michael Tognolini from EBMUD who offered to assist her by guiding her to personnel at EBMUD.

## 7. APPROVE MINUTES – Regular Meeting of February 23, 2015

Motion by Director Howard, Second by Director Vonheeder-Leopold to approve the minutes from Regular Meeting of February 23, 2015 Motion carried (4-0) by the following vote:

AYES:

Howard, Vonheeder-Leopold, Mellon, Coleman

NOES:

#### 8. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Treasurer's Reports for February 28 and March 31, 2015

B. Approve Task Order No. 13 for Fiscal Year 2015-16 for Public Information Services with ICF International

Motion by Director Mellon, Second by Director Vonheeder-Leopold to approve the Consent Calendar. Motion carried (4-0) by the following vote:

**AYES**:

Mellon, Vonheeder-Leopold, Howard, Coleman

NOES:

#### 9. BOARD BUSINESS

A. Approve and Adopt the Fiscal Year 2014-15 Capital and Operating Expenditure Budget Authority Manager Bewley recognized the helpful contributions made while preparing the budget, by both DSRSD Principal Engineer-Supervisory Judy Zavadil and Richard Lou. Director Mellon thanked the staff for the excellent work done. Chair Coleman added his thanks saying the new budget was also much easier to read.

Mr. Bewley pointed out that this was the first Budget with the partnership with Pleasanton in place and noted that Pleasanton items show up throughout this Budget. He reminded the Board that the DERWA/Pleasanton agreement provides that if Pleasanton requests from DERWA a facility that will grant them 1.9 MGD of treated water, DERWA must build it and Pleasanton must pay for it. Mr. Bewley believes that Pleasanton will be coming in with a firm request very soon and the budget figures reflect this.

Chair Coleman asked where Pleasanton was in the CEQA process. Mr. Bewley responded that the CEQA process has been completed.

There was some discussion regarding the possibility of acquiring wastewater from Central Contra Costa Sanitary District (CCCSD). Mr. Bewley agreed that this and other options should be evaluated as DERWA will not have sufficient water in the very near future, possibly as few as three to five years. Sources of money to expand DERWA's facilities and gain the ability to provide more recycled water were discussed using funding from Propositions 1 and/or 84.

Motion by Director Howard, Second by Director Mellon, to approve Resolution No. 15-2 approving and adopting the Fiscal Year 2015-16 Capital and Operating Expenditure Budget. Motion carried (4-0) by the following vote:

AYES:

Howard, Mellon, Vonheeder-Leopold, Coleman

NOES:

## 10. MANAGER'S REPORT

- Capital Projects Update None.
- Confirm Next Meeting Date June 22, 2015 Authority Manager Bewley stated that there might not be a necessity for a June Board Meeting but would notify the Board closer to the date.

Chair Coleman requested that information on potential supplies of supplemental water and how DERWA might be able to access those supplies be provided at the next Board Meeting. He expressed concern that DERWA might not be able to meet the potential shortfall unless this need for supplemental water is addressed promptly.

Authority Manager Bewley agreed and said that he would create a technical memo covering what DERWA has, what it has planned and what the timing of everything looks like.

## 11. BOARDMEMBER ITEMS

Director Mellon stated that he has spoken to a large number of local mayors and legislators and they had all, without exception, asked what was being done regarding recycled water. He stated he has responded to them with information on what is needed for recycled water to become more of a presence. In turn, the legislators have responded to him by asking what they can do to help; they are willing, they say, to do whatever they can. He noted that the Mayor of San Ramon was particularly anxious to get on board in any way possible.

Director Howard asked if Central Contra Costa Sanitary District (CCCSD) had its own recycled water program. Chair Coleman responded that although a great deal of recycled water is used in Contra Costa County, they don't have a program of their own at this time.

General Counsel Maddow responded that Contra Costa Water District has agreements with CCCSD and Delta Diablo Sanitary District, both of which are involved to some degree in recycling water.

Several Board members spoke to the fact that recycled water has gained a huge amount of acceptance over the last few years, and that both districts and customers who were once opposed to recycled water are now some of its greatest advocates. Authority Manager Bewley offered that one of the alternatives that has potential is storage of recycled water in aquifers in the winter, so the stored water could then be used in the summer.

#### 12. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Coleman adjourned the meeting at 6:44 p.m.

Submitted by,

Nancy Gamble Hatfield

**Authority Secretary**