July 18, 2019

## BAY AREA WATER SUPPLY AND CONSERVATION AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

July 18, 2019 – 6:30 p.m. San Mateo Library – 55 W. 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. Oak Room

## **MINUTES**

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call - 6:30 pm

BAWSCA Chair, Barbara Pierce, called the meeting to order and led the salute to the flag. Nicole Sandkulla called the roll. Fifteen (15) members of the Board were present at roll call. Three Directors arrived after roll call. A list of Directors present (18) and absent (8) is attached.

2. Comments by the Chair: Chair Pierce welcomed members of the Board, and announced the addition of Mountain View Mayor, Lisa Matichak, to the BAWSCA Board.

Chair Pierce stated that BAWSCA's next strategic objective is to ensure adequate and reliable water supply for the next drought and beyond. She reported that Ms. Sandkulla addressed the Commissioners of the SFPUC at its June 25<sup>th</sup> meeting emphasizing that SFPUC, under AB 1823, is required to report annually to the Legislature and the California Department of Health Services about its progress in finding new sources of water for its customers during the next drought and beyond. Ms. Sandkulla's statement urged the SFPUC to pursue a strategic plan for new water sources with a solid proposal, dedicated leadership, and an adequate budget, just as it was done for the WSIP.

BAWSCA will monitor SFPUC's efforts closely, just as it has with the WSIP, and report its observations and suggestions to the SFPUC, the BAWSCA Board, and the State of California.

Chair Pierce stated that the Board's support for the effort will be crucial to its success, particularly with the current negotiations at the State level to negotiate a Voluntary Settlement on the Bay Delta Plan.

- 3. Board Policy Committee (BPC) Report: Committee Vice-Chair Tom Chambers reported the discussions and actions taken by the Board Policy Committee at its meeting on June 12, 2019. They are reflected in the BPC summary report included in the packet.
- **4. Public Comments:** There were no public comments.
- 5. **SFPUC Report:** SFPUC Division Manager for SFPUC Natural Resources and Lands Management, Tim Ramirez, reported on SFPUC's efforts for watershed fire risk reduction.

## 6. Consent Calendar:

Director Wood made a motion, seconded by Director Larsson, to approve the Minutes of the May 16, 2019 meeting, receive and file the Budget Status Report as of May 31, 2019, authorize the CEO/General Manager to negotiate and enter into an agreement with West Yost Associates to conduct an SFPUC Asset Management Program Audit, and authorize the CEO/General Manager to negotiate and enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Regional Water Authority (RWA) to implement a Regional Smart Controller Program.

The motion carried unanimously.

- **7. Reports:** Staff reports were provided on water supply conditions, Bay Delta Plan, and BAWSCA's Pilot Water Transfer.
- **8. Closed Session:** The meeting adjourned to Closed Session at 7:37pm
- **9. Report After Closed Session:** Legal Counsel, Allison Schutte, reported that Closed Session was concluded at 8pm, and no action was taken during Closed Session.
- 10. Directors' Discussion: Comments, Questions and Agenda Requests: Director Larsson thanked Andree Johnson for her key role in organizing the California United Water Conference, which he and Director Kuta attended. The Conference covered significant topics including fire risks, fire management, and escalated fire risks due to climate change.

Director Keith appreciated the report from Tim Ramirez and the SFPUC's efforts in managing the watershed.

- **11. Date, Time and Location of Next Meeting:** The next meeting is scheduled on September 19, 2019 at 6:30pm, in the Wind Room of the Foster City Community Building.
- **12. Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole M. Sandkulla

Chief Executive Officer/General Manager

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Attachments: 1) Attendance Roster