

MINUTES OF THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
RUNNING SPRINGS WATER DISTRICT  
COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

FEBRUARY 18, 2009

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The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Running Springs Water District was held on Wednesday, February 18, 2009, at the hour of 6:00 P.M. at the District office located at 31242 Hilltop Boulevard, Running Springs, California.

The following Directors were present:  
Kenneth Ayers, President  
Kevin Kellems, Vice-President  
Bryan Shropshire, Director

The following Directors were absent:  
Pamella Bennett, Director  
Michael Terry, Director

Also present were the following:  
Gary Valladao, General Manager  
Sam Massey, Superintendent  
Joan Eaton, Secretary/Treasurer/Office Supervisor  
Bill Smith, Fire Chief  
Tony Grabow, Battalion Chief  
Trevor Miller, Wastewater Treatment Division Supervisor  
Isaiah Hall, Collections Division Supervisor  
Randy Bobroff, Water Division Supervisor

No visitors present

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 P.M. by President Ayers.

Called to Order

Supervisor Bobroff led the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Pledge of Allegiance

Upon motion by President Ayers, seconded by Vice-President Kellems and carried by a 3 to 0 vote, with Directors Bennett and Terry absent, the minutes of January 21, 2009 were approved.

Regular Board  
Meeting Minutes  
January 21, 2009

January 2009  
Expenditures

Supervisor Eaton stated that payments received from the Special District Risk Management Authority (SDRMA) for expense reimbursement related to the Slide Fire are currently in the District's miscellaneous receivable account until an accounting breakdown of the payable is received from SDRMA. The funds will then be transferred to the appropriate revenue accounts. Upon motion by Vice-President Kellems, seconded by President Ayers and carried by a 3 to 0 vote, with Directors Bennett and Terry absent, the expenditures through January 31, 2009 for the Water, Wastewater and Fire Department, were ratified.

OPERATIONAL  
REPORTS  
(Superintendent)

Superintendent Massey reported on recent diesel fuel thefts at Lift Station No. 2 that were similar to the diesel fuel thefts that took place at Lift Station No. 1 in June 2007, January 2008 and September of 2008. Since the installation of surveillance cameras at LS No. 1, there have been no further incidents. Superintendent Massey reported that the District will install cameras at LS No. 2 at an approximate cost of \$2,500 to help prevent further thefts.

(General Manager)

Manager Valladao stated that the District will contact LAFCO to determine the status of the LAFCO Municipal Service Review and Sphere of Influence.

Manager Valladao reported on the District's potential for obtaining Economic Stimulus funding. The funding would be administered by the State as low interest loans through the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) program for wastewater and the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) program for water. Manager Valladao will keep the Board updated as the matter is pursued.

Manager Valladao provided the Board with a listing of key meetings that he attended since the last Board Meeting

Fire Department  
Budget Review

Manager Valladao and Chief Smith reported on the Fire Department Budget for Fiscal Year 2009/10. Discussion continued regarding the Fire Department budget and the proposal regarding the Limited Term Firefighter positions that will provide enhanced services to the community of Running Springs.

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President Ayers announced that Directors Mike Terry and Pamella Bennett have been appointed to the Ad Hoc Board Water Development Committee and should meet in the next few weeks. President Ayers and Vice-President Kellems will be available to fill in when a Committee Board Member will be absent.

Ad Hoc Board  
Water Development  
Committee

The Local Agency Investment Fund Remittance Advice for Quarter Ending December 31, 2008 was presented to the Board as an information item only.

LAIF Quarterly  
Statement

Supervisor Eaton updated the Board regarding the Cash Management Module offered through First Mountain Bank. Terisa Bonito, Branch Manager is finalizing the Service Agreement documents regarding the ACH Debit feature and anticipates that she will present the Cash Management Module and final documentation for review and consideration to the Board of Directors at the March 18, 2009 Board Meeting.

Cash Management  
Module  
First Mountain  
Bank

Superintendent Massey reported on the Chevron Energy Solutions Proposal (Solar Power) to install solar panels at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Several spreadsheets and graphs were presented to the Board indicating the relative costs the District would incur for installation of solar panels and/or replacement of the Roots PD Blowers with new energy efficient turbo. Manager Valladao stated the information acquired to replace the blowers provided a significant cost savings of approximately \$36,000 a year to the District. Discussion continued regarding technology and the possibility of advancement over the next 20 years. Manager Valladao stated the funding for the blowers could come from the Sewer Facility Capacity charge reserves. Staff plans to place purchasing the blowers on the March 2009 Board Meeting agenda. The Board directed staff to write Chevron Energy Solutions a letter stating the District would not be pursuing the installation of solar panels at this time.

Chevron Energy  
Solutions Proposal  
Solar Power  
Wastewater  
Treatment Plant blowers.

Manager Valladao reported on Assessment District No. 10 and the Continuing Disclosure Annual Report, Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2008 that was prepared by NBS and requires Board approval. The Continuing Disclosure Annual Report, the Assessment District No. 10 Delinquency Report as of February 9, 2009 and a copy of the reminder letter that will be sent to delinquent accounts from NBS was provided to the Board for their review. Upon motion by President Ayers, seconded by Director Shropshire and carried by a 3 to 0 vote, with Directors Bennett and Terry absent, the Assessment District No. 10, Continuing Disclosure Annual Report, Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2008, was accepted.

Assessment District  
No. 10, Continuing  
Disclosure Annual  
Report, Fiscal Year  
Ending June 30, 2008,

San Bernardino County Fire Department Proposal For Fire Protection And Emergency

Manager Valladao reported that the District has been considering options for providing the highest quality fire protection and emergency medical services to the community at an affordable cost. The Board Ad Hoc Fire Service Committee has considered options available for the San Bernardino County Fire Department to provide fire and EMS service. Discussion continued regarding the options available for obtaining such service. The Board Committee believed the best course of action would be to have the Board of Directors consider requesting a proposal from the County for providing Fire and EMS services. Upon motion by President Ayers, seconded by Vice-President Kellems, and carried by a 3 to 0 vote, with Directors Bennett and Terry absent, requesting a proposal from the San Bernardino County Fire Department for Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services was approved.

Mail Ballot Election District Governing Board Election

Manager Valladao stated the District recently received notification from the Registrar of Voters of an option to conduct the upcoming District governing Board election by mail. The notification identified various advantages and features of the mail ballot election. Discussion continued regarding the possibility of having an advisory measure on the District 2009 ballot, asking voters to approve a mail ballot election. Manager Valladao stated the District has contacted the Registrar of Voters regarding adding an advisory measure to the ballot. Manager Vallado will update the Board when information is received from the Registrar. No action was taken by the Board of Directors.

Safety Committee Minutes of December 9, 2008

Manager Valladao presented the minutes from the December 9, 2008 Safety Committee Meeting for review and consideration. The approved minutes will be submitted to the Special District Risk Management Authority for reduction in the District liability insurance premium. Upon motion by Vice-President Kellems, seconded by Director Shropshire and carried by a 3 to 0 vote, with Directors Bennett and Terry absent, the Safety Committee Minutes of December 9, 2008, for Submittal to SDRMA for Reduction in Liability Insurance Premium, were approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

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President

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Secretary