

## Minutes

Sacramento Suburban Water District

### Special Board Meeting

Wednesday, May 30, 2018

#### Call to Order

President Locke called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

#### Pledge of Allegiance

President Locke led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### Roll Call

Directors Present: Dave Jones, Craig Locke, Kevin Thomas and Robert Wichert.

Directors Absent: None.

Staff Present: General Manager Dan York, Heather Hernandez-Fort and Amy Bullock.

Public Present: William Eubanks, Ashkan Bashiri, Jay Boatwright, Kathleen McPherson, Laura Livingston, Marti Ikehara, Paul Olmstead, Rafael Polanco, Madeline Henry and Todd Sax.

#### Consent Items

1. **Resolution No. 18-09 Rescinding Resolution No. 18-06 and Calling for the November 6, 2018 District Election in Divisions 2, 3, 4 and 5**

Director Thomas moved to approve Item 1; Director Wichert seconded. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

AYES:	Jones, Thomas, Locke and Wichert.	ABSTAINED:	
NOES:		RECUSED:	
ABSENT:			

#### Board Vacancy

2. **The Board will interview Candidates for Appointment as Director for Division 2**  
General Manager Dan York (GM York) presented the staff report.

William Eubanks (Mr. Eubanks) requested to comment.

GM York expressed by the advice of legal counsel, the interviews were only to be conducted by the Board with no public comment.

Mr. Eubanks withdrew his comment.

Jay Boatwright presented why he believed he should be chosen as the Director.

Marti Ikehara presented why she believed she should be chosen as the Director.

Raphael Polanco presented why he believed he should be chosen as the Director.

Kathleen McPherson presented why she believed she should be chosen as the Director.

Laura Livingston presented why she believed she should be chosen as the Director.

Todd Sax presented why he believed he should be chosen as the Director.

Ashkan Bashiri presented why he believed he should be chosen as the Director.

Paul Olmstead presented why he believed he should be chosen as the Director.

3. **The Board may consider appointing the new Director for Division 2**

GM York presented the staff report.

President Locke suggested the Directors choose their top three candidates.

Director Wichert expressed he wished to think on it for a couple days and requested to hold a follow up closed session meeting to deliberate among the Board.

President Locke was unsure if a closed session meeting was allowed.

GM York noted he would double check the procedure and notify the Board President.

The Board agreed to hold another Special Board Meeting on June 4, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. and invited each candidate to attend.

President Locke requested for each Director to have their top three candidate selections at the meeting.

Mr. Polanco expressed he would not be available to attend the June 4, 2018 meeting, but that staff could contact him if necessary.

The Board thanked the candidates for their interest.

**Swearing in Newly Elected Director**

A new Division 2 Director was not appointed.

## Items for Discussion and/or Action

### 4. Review of Securing Water Supplies, Reliability and Efficiencies with San Juan Water District

GM York presented the staff report.

President Locke expressed he was interested in discussing the goals with the Board. He further expressed the discussion didn't need to automatically be about a merger, but rather it could be more of a discussion about securing the water rights for the region. He noted that it would be helpful to increase the District's cooperation with other local districts to help to ensure that none of the regions water rights would be lost due to the lack of ability to put the water to beneficial use.

Director Thomas and Director Jones agreed with President Locke.

Director Jones added they can also explore the option of written agreements between the District and San Juan Water District (SJWD).

Mr. Eubanks offered his suggested solution of SJWD requesting a change of place of use from the Bureau of Reclamation which could open more opportunities for the District.

Director Wichert explained if it was a possibility, that it might be a good idea to look into.

Director Thomas expressed he would submit his comments on the board report to staff.

President Locke requested for Directors to submit any comments they had on the board report to staff.

Director Wichert expressed he was not in favor of any discussions with SJWD to be about a political statement.

President Locke requested to bring the item back to the next meeting.

## Adjournment

President Locke adjourned the meeting at 5:59 p.m.

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Dan York  
General Manager/Secretary  
Sacramento Suburban Water District