

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

JULY 18, 2018

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Vice President Szabadi at 6:40 p.m.

ABSENT: PRESIDENT SCHELLY

General Public: (25)

ROLL CALL: Directors present: Vice President Peter Szabadi, Director Kunkle, Director Hunt, and Director Gin. General Manager Jack Hoagland, Chief Financial Officer Hosny Shouman and Board Secretary Jeannine Olsen were also present.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Jeff Smith: Feels the IWD should have looked for water resources that were more effective, before injecting it with radioactive water.

1. CONSENT CALENDAR:

Consent Calendar items are expected to be routine and non-controversial, to be acted upon by the Board at one time without discussion. If any Board member, staff member, or interested person requests that an item be removed from the Consent Calendar, it shall be removed so that it may be acted upon separately.

A. MINUTES – June 20, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes

B. FINANCIAL REPORTS JUNE 2018

1. Income statement for the Twelfth month ending June 2018
2. District warrants for June 2018.

Check #	14840-14887	= \$	121,198.81
Gross Payroll		= \$	56,873.19
Federal/State PR taxes		= \$	12,965.60
LAIF Transfers		= \$	0.00
Transfers/charges		= \$	0.00

C. OPERATIONS REPORT FOR THE TWELFTH MONTH – JUNE 2018

OPERATIONS REPORT FOR THE ELEVENTH MONTH ENDING JUNE 2018.

No mainline leaks were reported in May and there were no unmetered leaks. Foster Lake's level was at 2 feet 8 inches at the end of April. There was 0" of precipitation in April and there has been 6.99" of precipitation for the fiscal year to date. The static water levels at the Foster Lake Wells were 11.6' below ground level, the downtown well #23 is currently static at 9' and the downtown well #24 is static at 18' below ground level respectively. Production for April was 938,035 cubic feet. April's unaccounted for water was 1.87% of water production. Fiscal year to date unaccounted for water average is 5.77% of water production.

A MOTION was made by Director Hunt to approve the Consent Calendar and Director Gin seconded. The vote was as follows:

AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Peter Szabadi			Dr. Schelly
Steve Kunkle			
David Hunt			
Les Gin			

Consent Calendar was approved

Vice President Szabadi made a motion to change the order of the Agenda and move up item # 4, Recent Water Quality Issues to Item # 2.

A MOTION was made by Director Gin to move **up Item # 4, Recent Water Quality Issues** and Director Hunt seconded. The vote was as follows:

AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Peter Szabadi			Dr. Schelly
Steve Kunkle			
David Hunt			
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- 2. RECENT WATER QUALITY ISSUES – Information Only** - Staff will make a presentation to the Board of Directors regarding the recent public water quality notifications and discuss the options being investigated by staff for remediation.

GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS:

Jack Hoagland: We are working with our consultant, WQTS on bringing a proposed plan back to the board at our next meeting in August to give them a chance to understand what the problem is and make a decision on what the options are, what the costs are which allows the board to finalize what the plan is and get it to the state by our Sept 10th deadline. IWD is also talking to the state to see if there are some potential grants or financial assistance. We are trying to narrow down the range of options to something that will work. We want to make sure whatever we do it will be right the first time. IWD has been working closely with the health department and they state this is not an emergency but a priority as the state has informed the public, who have contacted them personally.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Vic Sirkin: Feels the priority is correcting our toxic contaminant levels and that an honest and transparent board would have shared the information upon discovery.

Jeff Smith: Feels the district is more focused on high distribution instead of water quality.

Dave Pelham: Doesn't know if it was the THMS that made his cancer worse than it has been in 8 years. Wish he had the information sooner so that those of us who have health problems could protect themselves. Mr. Pelham does hold us responsible for late notification.

Sue Nash: Wants to know what else IWD is not telling the public that is impacting our health.

Jim Sales: Seems to me that maybe the water is not safe to drink and maybe it is an emergency.

Trudy Levy: Concerned about the cumulative exposure for children. Letter from Chun at The State Water Board, IWD was without incident since 2014 what the history of monitoring prior to 2014 is. Is concerned why Director Kunkle has to leave when the budget is approved.

VICE PRESIDENT SZABADI: Director Kunkle is an item on the budget. Statute requires Steve not to participate.

Mrs. Jeff Smith: Concerned about the cost of the citation.

Dawn Papilian: Would like to know how to remove manganese from fixtures and will adding more chlorine to the water make it worse?

Jack Hoagland: IWD does do iron and manganese removal, I am a little surprised but IWD will be following up on that.

Vic Sirkin: States you cannot rely on refrigerator filtration, the Burpee filter removes contaminants and reverse osmosis removes contaminants but does not address showering or cooking and that the contaminants are real hazards to your health.

Lee Salgren: Feels you need to increase your water source and decrease the use of that water.

Kevin (Idyllwild Pines Camp), Vic Sirkin, Kate Sirkin, Analia Lenchantin, Jim Sales, Trudy Levy, Trish Seaward, Sue Nash, David Pelham, Marsha Bronson: Feels this is an emergency. Concerned about long term affects not only health but real estate value and tourism. And why the community wasn't told when IWD was notified by the state.

Merle Johnson: Customers should read the Consumer Confidence Report every year. You can go to drinkingwaterwatchcalifornia.com for more information regarding water samples in real time.

JP: Wants to know is it only that you care when the room is full. You're elected to represent the community not to solve the water problems. What does it take before you are going to do something about the water contamination? You as board members represent the people and you didn't do anything till the state told you. You really didn't think about what the people would feel about the water contamination.

Otherwise if the State didn't tell you anything would you have brought it up tonight?

DIRECTORS COMMENTS:

DIRECTOR KUNKLE: IWD followed the state recommendations. It exceeded states requirements and we did something.

DIRECTOR HUNT: IWD was trying to solve the problem before telling the public. We tried different things to try to solve the problem, that didn't work so we are having this meeting to figure out what we can do.

VICE PRESIDENT SZABADI: Was not aware of the problem until there was a citation. I only address things that are on the AGENDA. Would like a meeting in the next 2 weeks to address how much progress we have made on this issue, further examine the solution and discuss the best way to approach this problem and would ask Jack to report to the public as far as the readings are concerned.

DIRECTOR KUNKLE: If we don't come up with a solution do we have enough water in the downtown wells or can we get water from the other districts?

VICE PRESIDENT SZABADI asked the GM to put on the next AGENA **RECENT WATER QUALITY ISSUES– Information Only**

- 3. WATER SHORTAGE CONTINGENCY PLAN AND DROUGHT RATES** – The Board of Directors will consider the draft Water Shortage Contingency Plan and proposed drought water rates and may adopt Resolution # 756 set a public hearing to consider adoption of the WSC Plan.

Jeff Smith: The amount of water that falls on this water shed is huge.

Lee Salgren: Unless you reduce your competitor (**the trees**) you are not going to solve your problem.

DIRECTORS COMMENTS:

DIRECTOR HUNT: Has looked over the draft and likes the way it is written.

DIRECTOR KUNKLE: Would like to postpone this item for tonight.

VICE PRESIDENT SZABADI: Agrees with Director Kunkle that this item needs further work and further consideration.

A MOTION was made by Vice President Szabadi to TABLE the **WATER SHORTAGE CONTINGENCY PLAN AND DROUGHT RATES** and Director Gin seconded. The vote was as follows:

AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Steve Kunkle			Dr. Schelly
Peter Szabadi			
David Hunt			
Les Gin			

4. **CONSOLIDATION SUB-COMMITTEE** – The Board of Directors will hear a report from the Consolidation Sub-committee and determine if and how to proceed.

DIRECTORS COMMENTS:

Vice President Szabadi: We need to work on public support. It does make sense that all three districts work together.

Public Comment:

Jeff Smith: States that consolidation does not fix the problems.

Merle Johnson: Feels the more you educate the people the more will get on board with consolidation.

Marge Muir: Feels Idyllwild provides a nice community for Pine Cove and Fern Valley residents. Would like to see more people added to the group, its time to start looking at the big picture.

VICE PRESIDENT SZABADI: LAFCO is doing a study that will be coming out in the next couple months. They will be suggesting how much savings there will be, whether it's appropriate for this district.

Trudy Levy: Feels we need to move along and build a solid foundation.

DIRECTOR HUNT: Needs to be a community committee not and IWD committee. Just community members getting together.

A MOTION was made by Vice President Szabadi to approve the **Consolidation Sub-Committee** and Director Gin seconded. The vote was as follows:

AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Peter Szabadi			Dr. Schelly
Dave Hunt			
Steve Kunkle			
Les Gin			

ADJOURNMENT: VICE PRESIDENT SZABADI adjourned the meeting at 9:05 PM

To the next Board meeting is a Regular Meeting scheduled for August 15, 2018 at 6:00 p.m., to be held at the Idyllwild Water District Boardroom, 25945 Hwy. 243, Idyllwild, CA 92549.

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PETER SZABADI-VICE PRESIDENT

JEANNINE OLSEN-BOARD SECRETARY