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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
DIABLO WATER DISTRICT  
HELD ON OCTOBER 23, 2024

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Diablo Water District was held on October 23, 2024 at 6:30 pm at the District's office, 87 Carol Lane, Oakley, California and via conference call / web as noticed in the posted agenda.

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance.**

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Diablo Water District (District) was called to order by President Tiernan at 6:30 p.m. on October 23, 2024.

Directors Present: Tiernan, Pastor, Seger, Kovalick, Shaw  
Staff Present: Dan Muelrath, Kait Knight, Jennifer McCoy, Wayne Weaver, Nacho Mendoza, Jim Smith, Sophia Gonzales  
General Counsel: Wes Miliband (Miliband Water Law)  
Others Present: Bill Brick (CDM Smith), Angela Lowrey (Ironhouse), Members of the Public

2. **Public Input.**

Anyone present may address the Board of Directors on any subject within the jurisdiction of Diablo Water District. If the subject item is on this Agenda, please hold public comment until the appropriate item.

Action Items

3. **Grand Prize Winner of "Splash into Savings" Conservation Contest**

Staff Recommendation: Issue "Splash into Savings" Conservation Contest Winner Proclamation.

Martha Castillo, contest winner, received a proclamation from the Board.

**6. Update of District Regulations.**

Staff Recommendation: Adopt Resolution No. 2024-14, amending Regulation Numbers 102, 105, 106, 112, 114, 123 and 129.

It was moved by President Tiernan, seconded by Director Shaw and approved by the following vote to adopt Resolution No. 2024-14, amending Regulation Numbers 102, 105, 106, 112, 114, 123 and 129.

AYES: Pastor, Seger, Kovalick, Shaw, Tiernan  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None

**Discussion Items**

**7. Recycled Water Update.**

General Manager Muelrath presented a map of the potential pipeline plans for the future East Cypress development (attached as an addendum).

Director Kovalick emphasized his preference for implementing purple pipe infrastructure before construction begins. He wanted to ensure that potable water pipes would not be used to fill the new irrigation lakes. He also highlighted his preference to move forward with the options of recycled water use for landscape now and direct potable reuse (DPR) in the future. Additionally, he suggested considering wellhead treatment to maximize well capacity and recommended a three-tiered approach for short-, mid-, and long-term planning.

General Manager Muelrath clarified that District water would only be used to backfill the lake in an emergency, such as a well outage, in which case the lake could be backfilled via hydrant.

The Board held an in-depth discussion on the District's future water demands and the need to ensure a resilient water supply for future build out. General Manager Muelrath advised that he will present these options at the November meeting, as the rate model must include Board-directed future projects.

- Other items being tracked and awaiting a scheduled date.

General Manager Muelrath reiterated that the wellhead treatment and other project options would be brought back to the November Special Meeting for discussion and potential inclusion in the rate model.

**13. Next Meetings of the Board of Directors.**

- November 13, 2024 Special Meeting – 6:30 pm
- ~~November 27, 2024 Regular Meeting – 6:30 pm – Cancelled~~
- December 11, 2024 Special Meeting – 6:30 pm
- ~~December 25, 2024 Regular Meeting – 6:30 pm – Cancelled~~
- January 22, 2025 Regular Meeting – 6:30 pm

**Closed Session**

**14. Closed Session – Conference with Real Property Negotiations  
(Government Code § 54956.8)**

Property Description: Jersey Island located in Contra Costa County

Negotiation: Diablo Water District General Manager Dan Muelrath and Jean-Marc Petit Ironhouse/Reclamation District 830 Representative.

Under Negotiation: Terms and Price

**Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation (Paragraph (4) of  
subdivision (d) of Gov. Code § 54956.9)**

(One Potential Case)

**No reportable action.**

**Open Session**

**15. Adjournment.**

President Tiernan adjourned the meeting at 8:50 p.m.



**Kait Knight, Board Secretary**