

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
RAINBOW MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
SEPTEMBER 22, 2020**

1. **CALL TO ORDER** - The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Rainbow Municipal Water District on September 22, 2020 was called to order by Vice President Hamilton at 11:30 a.m. in the Board Room of the District, 3707 Old Highway 395, Fallbrook, CA 92028. Vice President Hamilton, presiding.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Director Gasca (*via video conference*), Director Hamilton, Director Mack, Director Rindfleisch.

Also Present: General Manager Kennedy, Executive Assistant Washburn, Information and Technology Manager Khattab.

Absent: Director Brazier.

Also present via teleconference or video conference:

Legal Counsel Smith.

No members of the public were present via teleconference or video teleconference before Closed Session.

3. **ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA (Government Code §54954.2)**

There were no changes to the agenda.

4. **INSTRUCTIONS TO ALLOW PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS FROM THOSE ATTENDING THIS MEETING VIA TELECONFERENCE OR VIDEO CONFERENCE**

Vice President Hamilton read aloud the instructions for those attending this meeting via teleconference or video conference.

5. **ORAL/WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD REGARDING CLOSED SESSION AGENDA ITEMS (Government Code § 54954.2).**

There were no comments.

The meeting adjourned to Closed Session at 11:36 a.m.

(*) - Asterisk indicates a report is attached.

6. CLOSED SESSION

- A. Conference with Legal Counsel-Anticipated Litigation (Government Code §54956.9(d)(2))
 - * One Item
- B. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)
 - * Robert and Linda Burton v. Rainbow Municipal Water District
- C. Appointment, Employment; Evaluation of Performance – General Manager (Government Code §54957(B)(1))

The meeting reconvened at 1:03 p.m.

7. REPORT ON POTENTIAL ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION

The item was addressed under Item #11.

Time Certain: 1:00 p.m.

8. REPEAT CALL TO ORDER

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9. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

10. REPEAT ROLL CALL

Present: Director Gasca (*via video conference*), Director Hamilton, Director Mack, Director Rindfleisch.

Also Present: General Manager Kennedy, Executive Assistant Washburn, Information and Technology Manager Khattab.

Absent: Director Brazier.

Also present via teleconference or video conference:

Legal Counsel Smith, Acting District Engineer Williams, Finance Manager Largent, Associate Engineer Powers, Engineering Technician Rubio, Senior Accountant Rubio, Utility Worker Tornero.

Five members of the public were present for Open Session via teleconference or video teleconference.

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11. REPEAT REPORT ON POTENTIAL ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION

Legal Counsel reported the Board met in Closed Session to discuss three items during which time the Board approved a settlement in the Robert and Linda Burton litigation matter. He said the Settlement Agreement was in the process of being finalized and would be available upon request.

12. REPEAT ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA (Government Code §54954.2)

There were no changes to the agenda.

13. REPEAT INSTRUCTIONS TO ALLOW PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS FROM THOSE ATTENDING THIS MEETING VIA TELECONFERENCE OR VIDEO CONFERENCE

Vice President Hamilton read aloud the instructions for those attending this meeting via teleconference or video conference.

14. ORAL/WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THIS AGENDA (Government Code § 54954.2).

There were no comments.

15. EMPLOYEE RECOGNITIONS

A. Renee Rubio (5 Years)

Mr. Kennedy announced Renee Rubio joined RMWD as a Customer Service Representative and how after a serving in a few different roles and completing her MBA, she is now the District's Senior Accountant. He thanked Ms. Rubio for her tenure and service and said he would present her with the plaque and check after the conclusion of this meeting.

Ms. Rubio stated she was extremely grateful and appreciative for every opportunity she has been presented during her time at RMWD.

B. Victor Tornero (5 Years)

Mr. Kennedy announced Mr. Tornero was also joined RMWD as a Customer Service Representative who had decided to explore a job opportunity with the City of Corona for a short while before returning to RMWD full time. He thanked Mr. Tornero for his tenure and service and stated he, too, would be presented with his plaque and check after the conclusion of this meeting.

Mr. Tornero said he did explore the opportunity with another agency to utilize his water certifications; however, when an opportunity opened at RMWD to use these certifications along with a better schedule for his young family, he decided to return. He said he was thankful for the opportunity he has been given and very much appreciates the District.

Mr. Kennedy mentioned Mr. Tornero' s flexibility and ability to backfill in roles when needed in having varying skillsets and experience. He pointed out Mr. Tornero was currently a part of the meter box excavation crew associated with the WSUP program.

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***16. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. August 25, 2020 - Regular Board Meeting

Motion:

To approve the minutes.

Action: Approve, Moved by Director Mack, Seconded by Director Rindfleisch.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Ayes = 4).

Ayes: Director Gasca, Director Hamilton, Director Mack, Director Rindfleisch.

Absent: Director Brazier.

***17. BOARD OF DIRECTORS' COMMENTS/REPORTS**

Directors' comments are comments by Directors concerning District business, which may be of interest to the Board. This is placed on the agenda to enable individual Board members to convey information to the Board and to the public. There is to be no discussion or action taken by the Board of Directors unless the item is noticed as part of the meeting agenda.

A. President's Report (Director Brazier)

President Brazier was not present to give a report.

Vice President Hamilton reiterated President Brazier's prior meeting comments that everyone voting by mail be sure to leave plenty of time to their vote counted.

B. Representative Report (Appointed Representative)

1. SDCWA

A. Summary of Board Meeting August 27, 2020

Mr. Kennedy reported one of the main points of discussion was related to whether to continue to Phase B of the Regional Conveyance System which the Board ultimately agreed with the staff recommendation to delay this matter until later in the year to allow for opportunity to determine the risks associated with making a \$5-\$6 Billion gamble. He announced new Board officers will be selected within the next week.

2. CSDA

Director Mack reported he received an email soliciting for interest in serving on the annual CSDA committees to which he responded he was interested in serving on the Legislation Committee. He said has since received a form to be completed confirming the request and that the RMWD Board was aware of any potential costs associated with his serving on a committee should he be selected.

Legal Counsel confirmed any action the Board would like to take regarding this request can be taken under Item #22.

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3. LAFCO

Mr. Kennedy reported he attended the Special Districts Advisory Committee meeting at which time an ad hoc committee was formed to which he was appointed to serve. He noted the ad hoc committee will review Rule 4 which is related to evaluating latent powers of any given agency including possibly updating the Rule to include recycled water to the Rule.

4. San Luis Rey Watershed Council

Director Gasca stated there was no action to report.

5. Santa Margarita River Watershed Watermaster Steering Committee

Vice President Hamilton stated there was no action to report and the next meeting will be in October.

6. ACWA

Director Mack stated there was no action to report.

C. Meeting, Workshop, Committee, Seminar, Etc. Reports by Directors (AB1234)

1. Board Seminar/Conference/Workshop Training Attendance Reports

There were no reports.

D. Directors Comments

There were no comments.

E. Legal Counsel Comments

1. Attorney Report: Public Records Act Update 150152-0005

Legal Counsel summarized the information contained in his report noting RMWD complies with record retention requirements related to emails.

18. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Budget and Finance Committee

Ms. Largent reported the committee received an update on the WSUP program, reviewed a slide show giving a background on all the financial software implemented over the past year leading up to the audit, as well as reviewed the financial packet.

B. Communications and Customer Service Committee

Vice President Hamilton reported the committee received updates on the COVID situation, Flume devices, and WSUP program.

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C. Engineering and Operations Committee

Mr. Williams summarized what took place at the Engineering and Operations Committee meeting as well as noted the committee discussed the Morro Reservoir mixing options being presented to the Board today for consideration. He mentioned the as-needed civil engineering services matter was placed on hold until further notice.

BOARD ACTION ITEMS

- *19. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A RENTAL AGREEMENT FOR A VACUUM WITH HAWTHORNE MACHINERY, CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AN AMEDEMMENT TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH HARRIS AND ASSOCIATES FOR ADDITIONAL CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SUPPORT, CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER 04 FOR BACKFILL AND BOX PLACEMENT AND FOR ADDITIONAL BACKFLOW RELOCATIONS WITH CONCORD UTILITY SERVICES FOR USE ON THE WATER SERVICE UPGRADE PROJECT AND AUTHORIZE THE GENERAL MANAGER TO SIGN THE AGREEMENTS ON THE DISTRICT'S BEHALF**

Mr. Gutierrez shared a presentation on the Water Service Upgrade Project (WSUP) overview mentioning the historical background. He recalled between 2016-2018 RMWD began developing a project to address the inaccurate water meters in its system with the existing meters only recording at 93% accuracy. He stated the Board approved a contract with in two parts that totaled just over \$10.7 million based on the known conditions at the time. (In late 2019 the contract was ended with ABM and the District executed a contract with Concord Utility Services ("Concord").)

Mr. Gutierrez noted beginning in early 2020, the WSUP program began and a few months into the project, it was realized there were some challenges that required some additional resources. He shared photographs of some of the issues encountered.

Discussion ensued regarding the backflow device challenges.

Discussion ensued regarding RMWD staff staying ahead of Concord as the project progresses.

Mr. Gutierrez pointed out the initial contract with Concord was a little more than \$1.5 million, the first Change Order was for \$50,000 was to relocate backflows directly tied into meters, the second Change Order was for no cost to the District, and the third Change Order was related to the Peak Workflow software utilized to collect data. He noted Change Order four in the amount of \$842,500 before the Board today for consideration includes \$200,000 for backflow relocation as well as \$624,500 for backfilling meter boxes which would bring Concord's contract total to approximately \$2.4 million. He explained the analysis conducted in determining these amounts including reviewing internal resources as well as the unexpected challenges and underestimated costs.

Mr. Gutierrez talked about the contract with Harris & Associates Construction Management for as-needed inspection services. He pointed out the project has escalated customer service calls which in turn interrupted internal staff's ability to conduct the necessary inspections; therefore, the as-needed contract has been utilized to help with the inspection process. He indicated that this was compounded by the departure of our Meters Services Supervisor this summer. He noted \$100,000 has been expended on this as-needed services contract and after reviewing internal staff resources, staff was proposing an amendment to the existing as-needed contract with Harris & Associates not to exceed \$400,000 for 2,424 hours.

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Mr. Gutierrez mentioned staff was also requesting execution of a rental agreement with Hawthorne Machinery in the amount of \$60,000 for the temporary rental of a vacuum excavator. Director Mack asked if it would overall be less costly to purchase the vacuum if the difference in price was \$24,000. Mr. Kennedy pointed out this cost estimate was for renting the vacuum for the entire duration of the project but could be much less if the rental period is shorter. He also noted there was not a foreseeable use for this equipment; therefore, purchasing it may not be beneficial to the District.

Mr. Gutierrez recapped the total costs for the project.

Director Gasca inquired as to where the costs for the operating the second excavator can be found within the budget. Ms. Largent explained the two staff positions who work on the WSUP project full time are fully budgeted under the CIP project in addition to a portion of other staff's time. Mr. Gutierrez explained the Construction and Maintenance Supervisor is tasked with scheduling for operating the second vacuum. Mr. Kennedy explained there would be more internal and external labor charged to the capital side of the budget; however, since the budget was already approved for this project in the amount of \$10.7 million, so the budget would not need to be increased. He stated the action today was to approve a Change Order for Concord, Harris & Associates and renting additional equipment.

Vice President Hamilton asked whether it would benefit RMWD to hire a full-time inspector for this project if having this position available for future CIP projects. Mr. Kennedy offered to have Ms. Harp research the costs with adding an employee. Vice President Hamilton stated he would like to know all options were explored.

Director Rindfleisch asked if the original cost of the ABM contract included acquisition of the equipment in the storage containers (in the lower yard) and if the contract with Concord included the same. Mr. Kennedy confirmed it did. Director Rindfleisch inquired as to how much was money was paid to ABM. Mr. Kennedy answered slightly more than \$3 million which included the meters and all the boxes found in the District's lower yard.

Vice President Hamilton raised the question of RMWD spending all this money and whether the District was really saving any money. Mr. Kennedy said Ms. Largent would provide a report once the data is available after a six-month period.

Motion:

To approve Option 1 – Authorize the General Manager to execute the rental agreement with Hawthorne Machinery in the amount of \$60,000 for the temporary rental of a vacuum excavator, authorize the General Manager to execute a Professional Services with Harris & Associates in the amount of \$400,000 for construction management services, authorize the General Manager to approve Change Order 04 with Concord Utility Services in the amount of \$824,500 for the relocation of backflow devices and backfill services, and make CEQA exemption findings specified above.

Action: Approve, Moved by Director Mack, Seconded by Director Rindfleisch.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Ayes = 3).

Ayes: Director Hamilton, Director Gasca, Director Mack, Director Rindfleisch.

Absent: Director Brazier.

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Discussion returned from Item #20.

Mr. Carey said he reviewed the original WSUP program information on the RWMD website and how he observes shutoff valves being installed where the website states they will not be. He said no one has communicated with him regarding his RP. His concern was the information on the website not matching up with what is transpiring in the field. He suggested the tail was wagging the dog at this point. He said the original proposal stated meters would be available for a certain number of days for validation purposes; therefore, he wanted to know what RMWD was not testing the meters being extracted before approving additional costs for this project. He said it was unfortunate he was unable to comment prior to the vote being taken.

Vice President Hamilton acknowledged Mr. Carey's comments.

Discussion went to Item #21.

***20. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT WITH CPC SYSTEMS INC. FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A RESERVOIR MIXING SYSTEM IN THE MORRO RESERVOIR**

Mr. Gutierrez shared a presentation on the Morro Mixing System noting the water quality issues associated with the Morro Reservoir. He mentioned after realizing these issues for which staff worked on finding resolutions. He explained the mixing equipment proposed by two separate vendors and how it was determined the Kasco proposed solution would be best resolution for RMWD. Mr. Gutierrez and Mr. Kennedy explained how this system would work.

Mr. Kennedy pointing out the memo provided in the agenda packet explains how this proposed solution will provide for better performance from the chlorine system. He noted the anticipated completion date is December 2020.

Vice President Hamilton requested confirmation staff would be able to operate this system using SCADA. Mr. Kennedy stated yes.

Director Mack asked if a similar system existed at another site. Mr. Kennedy explained it was in Orange County on a reservoir similar to Morro. Director Mack inquired as to whether the treatment would need to be modified once the mixers are installed. Mr. Gutierrez stated not necessarily. Discussion followed.

Mr. Carey inquired as to whether Mazzei has been consulted regarding this matter. Mr. Kennedy asked Mr. Carey to forward their contact information.

Motion:

To approve Professional Services Agreement with CPC Systems Inc. in the amount of \$232,998.00 for the installation of water quality mixers at the Morro Reservoir and authorize the General Manager to execute the contract.

Action: Approve, Moved by Director Gasca, Seconded by Director Mack.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Ayes = 4).

Ayes: Director Gasca, Director Hamilton, Director Mack, Director Rindfleisch.

Absent: Director Brazier.

Discussion returned to Item #19.

21. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE APPOINTMENT; EMPLOYMENT; EVALUATION OF PERFORMANCE; OR COMPENSATION OF THE *GENERAL MANAGER*

Director Rindfleisch made a motion when Vice President Hamilton inquired about the numbers asking Director Rindfleisch if he was adding an additional 1%. Director Rindfleisch clarified the 2% was to the current based salary bringing it to \$248,403.82 prior to the cost of living adjustment. He explained this would bring him above the regional average which is \$246,500. He stated in his opinion Mr. Kennedy has performed at an exemplary level where his current pay below average of all general managers in the region really does not fit the work he has done with respect to protecting ratepayer interest far beyond anyone could have done at this point with detachment from SDCWA.

Vice President Hamilton asked for verification on the discretionary bonus amount. Director Rindfleisch stated it was \$10,000 which is by looking previous bonus ranges reported for general managers. He said since he has moved into RMWD, that Mr. Kennedy has performed at the high level of what the Board would expect of a general manager.

Director Rindfleisch shared his thought on average salary and how Mr. Kennedy clearly performed above average with the detachment being way beyond the status quo. He explained status quo would have been not pursuing detachment in the first place and running the District with the day-to-day operations instead of finding a way to improve the financial situation on behalf of the ratepayers first and the water district second by investing his time and resources internally to pursue a solution for the ratepayers. He pointed out by turning around the Pardee development for a significant increase in capacity fees, getting the District up and running at full capacity within 48-hours after COVID-19 shut down the offices, being an absolute leader in detachment representing both Fallbrook and Bonsall in water protection of ratepayer interests first, and utilizing a very practical strategy in assisting the ratepayers when explaining his position as well as a practical way of designing strategy as opposed to focusing on the bureaucracy but on the actual practicality.

Director Gasca stated for the record in review of Mr. Kennedy's performance, one of the goals set for this year was to attend and participate in two different seminars to develop skills; however, in light of the development of COVID-19 he was only successful in attending one of the two, he became apparent he was involved in setting up a leadership effort with one of the vendors in which he participated which met the second goal. He also mentioned with COVID-19 occurred, Mr. Kennedy set aside a family vacation which was above and beyond the call of duty. He said this was an example of Mr. Kennedy's dedication to the District and what he was willing to do to protect the ratepayers.

Director Gasca pointed out how Mr. Kennedy had identified some of the areas where things may not have gone as well in his self-evaluation. He stated it takes a certain type of individual in a leadership position to be honest. He also pointed out Mr. Kennedy had identified other staff members who assisted with making the 48-hour turnaround happen at the onset of the pandemic. He expressed how important it is to keep in mind how we deal with compensation of people who deliver for the District and put it in as good a position as it was in now.

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Vice President Hamilton pointed out the two required trainings both had to do with communications. He said despite the circumstances making it difficult to attend the second training, the evaluation training in which Mr. Kennedy participated followed up by his offering to share his evaluations with his staff was a form of communications and demonstrated Mr. Kennedy's efforts to complete the required training. He concluded with noting his agreement with Director Rindfleisch's assessments.

Vice President Hamilton asked if any of the Board Members wanted to revise the recommended compensation plan which there was no response. He called for the vote.

Motion:

I move to approve an increase an increase to the General Manager's compensation by a 1.8% cost of living adjustment to the annual salary in accordance with the existing contract between Rainbow Municipal Water District and Tom Kennedy and a base pay merit increase to bring the General Manager's annual salary to \$248,403.82 representing a 2% merit increase and a one-time lump sum discretionary bonus in the amount of \$10,000 to be paid on September 10, 2020.

Action: Approve, Moved by Director Rindfleisch, Seconded by Director Mack.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Ayes = 4).

Ayes: Director Gasca, Director Hamilton, Director Mack, Director Rindfleisch.

Absent: Director Brazier.

Mr. Kennedy thanked the Board for their kind words. He stated having a great team is a big part of allowing him to do what he needs to; therefore, he would like to thank his team as well. He said everyone looks forward to having even more success in the next year.

Director Rindfleisch thanked Mr. Khattab for his assistance in getting the District up and running so quickly during the pandemic outbreak.

Director Gasca excused himself from the meeting at 3:09 p.m.

22. BOARD MEMBER REQUESTS FOR AUTHORIZATION TO ATTEND UPCOMING MEETINGS / CONFERENCES / SEMINARS

Director Mack stated he was interested in applying to serve on the CSDA Legislative Committee. He said part of the process was to ensure the RMWD Board was aware of the application.

Motion:

To encourage Director Mack to apply for the position at CSDA and the Board approve any travel expenses associated with or in conjunction to receiving appointment to that position.

Action: Approve, Moved by Director Hamilton, Seconded by Director Rindfleisch.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Ayes = 3).

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Ayes: Director Hamilton, Director Mack, Director Rindfleisch.

Absent: Director Brazier, Director Gasca.

Vice President Hamilton called for a break at 3:12 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 3:20 p.m.

BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

23. STATUS UPDATE ON LAFCO DETACHMENT APPLICATION FEES

Mr. Kennedy recalled the Board approved the Resolution authorizing him to pay the initial fees and any fees requested by LAFCO. He said there has been extra LAFCO staff time spent on this matter; therefore, LAFCO has requested an additional deposit of approximately \$62,000 which LAFCO believes will get the process completed. He referenced the document noting SDCWA has requested to meet with RMWD and FPUD to discuss this matter as opposed to spending more of LAFCO's staff time on it.

Vice President Hamilton asked if the Board received a copy of the cost breakdown. Mr. Kennedy said he would forward it to the Board.

Director Mack inquired as to a potential lawsuit being filed on LAFCO by SDCWA and if RMWD would be required to pay the attorney fees. Mr. Kennedy stated RMWD would be responsible for those fees.

***24. INITIAL REVIEW OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS AND UPDATES TO ADMINISTRATIVE CODE TITLE 3 – BOARD MEETINGS**

Mr. Kennedy noted item was an opportunity for the Board to review the proposed amendments and provide Ms. Washburn with any comments or feedback over the next two weeks so the final proposed revisions can be prepared to present to the Board in October for their consideration.

25. COVID-19 UPDATE

Mr. Kennedy stated the District was remaining status quo since the County requirements continue to change.

Mr. Mack asked if RMWD was following the CDC's ruling for reopening. Mr. Kennedy explained unless there was significant feedback from the public or Board, the District will remain closed to the public and status quo while continuing to follow San Diego County's guidelines.

***26. RECEIVE AND FILE INFORMATION AND FINANCIAL ITEMS**

A. General Manager Comments

1. Meetings, Conferences and Seminar Calendar

B. Operations Comments

1. Operations Report

C. Engineering Comments

1. Engineering Report
2. As-Needed Services Expenditures Summary

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- 3. RMWD Sewer Equivalent Dwelling Units (EDU's) Status
- D. Human Resource & Safety Comments**
 - 1. Human Resources Report
 - 2. Organizational Chart
- E. Finance Comments**
 - 1. Board Information Report
 - 2. Budget vs. Actual Fund 1, 2, and 3
 - 3. Fund Balance Projections
 - 4. Treasury Report
 - 5. Five Year Demand
 - 6. Water Sales Summary
 - 7. Check Register
 - 8. Directors' Expenses
 - 9. Credit Card Breakdown
 - 10. Developer Projections
 - 11. RMWD Properties

Ms. Largent reported the preliminary audit review was complete and was pleased to announce there were no findings. She said the final report will be prepared in the next few weeks and most likely be presented to the Board at the December meeting.

Motion:

To receive and file the information and financial items.

Action: Approve, Moved by Director Mack, Seconded by Director Rindfleisch.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Ayes = 3).

Ayes: Director Hamilton, Director Mack, Director Rindfleisch.

Absent: Director Brazier, Director Gasca.

27. LIST OF SUGGESTED AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING

It was noted Administrative Code Title 3 proposed revisions, the audit findings, a presentation on the 2021 rate increase to pass through SDCWA rate increases, and a report on the concerns and observations raised by Mr. Carey.

Mr. Carey reiterated some of his concerns and observations for clarification. He expressed concern with a disconnect between what is going on in the field and what is being briefed at the executive level. Mr. Kennedy stated Mr. Gutierrez will work with Mr. Carey regarding these matters. Mr. Carey emphasized the importance of his concerns especially with the Board approving increased costs to the WSUP program coupled with what he observed.

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28. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by Director Hamilton to a regular meeting on October 27, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:36 p.m.

Hayden Hamilton, Board Vice President

Dawn M. Washburn, Board Secretary