

# MINUTES OF THE FRCD BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, April 28, 2010

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Florin Resource Conservation District was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by Barrie Lightfoot, Chair, at 8820 Elk Grove Blvd., Elk Grove, CA.

## Call to Order; Roll Call; and Pledge of Allegiance.

Directors Present: Chuck Dawson, Barrie Lightfoot, Elliot Mulberg, and Tony Perez  
Directors Absent: Tom Nelson  
Staff Present: Ann Siprelle, general counsel; Leo D. Havener, Jr., general manager; Tom Bartlett, treasurer/finance manager; Stefani Phillips, secretary/human resource specialist; Jeffrey Maupin, operations manager; Ellen Carlson, management analyst; and Scott Myers, district engineer  
Associate Directors Present: Rich Lozano, Don Menasco, and Davies Ononiwu  
Consultants Present: Richard Wilson, Sentium  
Public Present: Roy Herburger, Greg Waldron, and Bob Gray

## Public Comment

Bob Gray, customer, addressed staff with comments about the lack in detail within the FY 2010-2011 EGWD Budget. He made an inquiry about what monies were being applied toward the meter retrofit and infrastructure replacement programs.

## 1. Consent Calendar

- a. Approve Meeting minutes for March, 2010
- b. FRCD Cash Flow Worksheet – March, 2010
- c. Warrants Paid – March, 2010
- d. Monthly Summary – March, 2010
- e. Monthly Water Connections – March, 2010
- f. Revenue vs. Expense Graphs FY 09-10 – March, 2010
- g. Revenues and Expenses – Actual vs Budget
- h. Month End Investments
- i. Collections for Special Projects
- j. Consultants Expenses
- k. Operations Report
- l. General Manager Report
- m. Retention Policy Update

Agenda items d, e, h, i, and l were pulled from the Consent Calendar for further discussion.

MSC (Mulberg/Dawson) to approve items a, b, c, f, g, j, k, and m of the Consent Calendar with revisions to the minutes and approving amendments to the retention schedule, 4/0: Ayes: Dawson; Mulberg, Perez and Lightfoot.

Tony Perez, director, inquired on whether or not the month end dates were correct for items h and i. Tom Bartlett, treasurer, stated that the figures were correct; however, the date should reflect March 31, 2010.

Mr. Perez requested that a trend chart of the shut off's be added to the monthly summary report.

MSC (Perez/Mulberg) to approve a trend chart of the shut off's be added to the monthly summary report, 4/0: Ayes: Dawson; Mulberg, Perez and Lightfoot.

Mr. Perez requested an update on the General Manager's Report regarding well #1. Leo D. Havener, Jr., general manager, reported that arsenic was detected in the water above the drinking water level. The well was is not online. Mr. Havener stated he will report to the Board at the May meeting with a work status.

Mr. Perez inquired about a meeting the general manager had with Sacramento County Water Agency and the possibility of incorporating the five super block areas within the incorporated boundaries of EGWD. Mr. Havener replied that a meeting took place with the Sacramento County Water Agency and they seemed to be in favor of letting the District service the five super block areas that are already within the boundaries of EGWD as of July 1, 2011.

Mr. Perez was concerned about the loss of revenue from the District by not serving the five super block areas. Staff provided history stating that when the FRCD bought the District, the five super block areas were not part of the purchase; therefore, no revenues were lost.

Mr. Perez requested that the secretary to the Board label the items on the Consent Calendar to reflect the items within the Consent Calendar exactly as they are titled.

MSC (Mulberg/Dawson) to approve items d, e, h, i, and l of the Consent Calendar with revisions, 4/0: Ayes: Dawson; Mulberg, Perez and Lightfoot.

## 2. Conservation Plan

Mr. Havener presented a Conservation Plan as requested by the Board at the April Board meeting. The Board had requested the general manager to bring back a conservation plan including a job description, salary, and funding source. Mr. Havener presented a job description for a conservation technician for a period of six months. The proposal would attempt to meet the requirements of SBx7-7 and the 20% water use reduction required by 2020. The proposed position would be a temporary placement with no benefits. The cost of the proposal was \$25,000 to be funded through the FY 2010-2011 EGWD Budget.

Mr. Perez provided some history on the initial conservation position for the District.

Chuck Dawson, director, stated he thought that without any other conservation efforts the District would see a reduction in water use by installing the meters through the meter retrofit program. He did not feel that spending an additional \$25,000 on a conservationist would be a good idea when the mandates are already causing a financial burden to the District.

Mr. Lightfoot was in agreement with Mr. Dawson, that spending the extra funds to cover a conservationist was not a good idea.

Elliot Mulberg, vice-chairman, motioned to continue the Conservation Plan at the May Board meeting to allow Tom Nelson, director, an opportunity to comment; however, the motion died due to a second.

The item died due to a lack of motion made by the Board of Directors.

## 3. Water Shortage Contingency Plan Revision

Ellen Carlson presented the Water Shortage Contingency Plan Revision. She stated that recently a group of local water utility representatives, worked together to unify the stages of the various plans for the local water districts.

Mr. Dawson stated that he did not support the request regarding water hoses in Appendix A. The request states that "open hoses are not permitted. Automatic shutoff nozzles are required."

Greg Waldron, customer, commented on his concern for all of the water waste in his neighborhood.

MSC (Lightfoot/Dawson) to approve Ordinance No. 04.28.10.01 of the Board of Directors of the Florin Resource Conservation District revising the Water Shortage Contingency Plan, 3/1: Ayes: Dawson; Mulberg, Nelson, and Lightfoot; Noes: Perez.

## 4. Railroad WSTF Filter Vessels – Train #4 Equipment

Scott Myers, district engineer, presented the Railroad WSTF Filter Vessels – Train#4 Equipment bid process to the Board and recommended they award a contract to OHI Company for the sum of \$216,472.

The Board discussed the bid process including the opening of bids with the staff and the district engineer because only two bids were received and one of them came in after the specified time.

Mr. Mulberg stated that all of the bids should be rejected and the District should put the project out to bid again. Mr. Myers stated that the timing is crucial for the bond funding.

The Board's consensus was that the process should be carried out according to the guidelines set forth in the notice inviting bids.

MSC (Lightfoot/Perez) to put the project out to bid and bring it back to a Special meeting of the Board to be held on May 19, 2010, 4/0: Ayes: Dawson; Mulberg, Perez and Lightfoot.

## 5. Railroad WSTF Filter Media Purchase

The Board requested that this item be brought back to the Special Meeting of the Board on May 19, 2010.

MSC (Dawson/Mulberg) to continue this item at a Special meeting to be held on May 19, 2010, 4/0: Ayes: Dawson; Mulberg, Perez and Lightfoot.

## 6. Staff Reports

Mr. Mulberg presented a number of examples of staff reports and expressed that he would like to see the staff reports contain more discussion about the topic to be presented.

A lengthy discussion occurred and Mr. Havener recommended that an adhoc committee meet to develop a staff report suitable for the Board and bring it back to the May committee meeting.

Mr. Mulberg and Mr. Dawson volunteered to be on an adhoc committee to develop a staff report to bring back to the full board for approval.

## 7. Committee Meeting(s) Update

Barrie Lightfoot, chairman, updated the Board on the adhoc committee meeting that was held to discuss the logo for the Elk Grove Water District. Three new logos were developed and will be brought to the full Board at the May meeting.

## 8. Directors Comments/Suggestions & Subjects for Future Board Meetings

Mr. Mulberg requested that the information in some of the schedules of the FY 2010-2011 EGWD Budget be rearranged and distributed to the Board members before the Special meeting of the Board to be held on May 19, 2010.

Mr. Perez expressed his desire to attend the 2010 Water Technology meeting on May 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

MSC (Dawson/Perez) to add Tony Perez request to attend the 2010 Water Technology meeting as an item to the agenda, 4/0: Ayes: Dawson; Mulberg, Perez and Lightfoot.

MSC (Dawson/Lightfoot) to approve the request for Tony Perez to attend the 2010 Water Technology meeting in the sum of \$49, 4/0: Ayes: Dawson; Mulberg, Perez and Lightfoot.

## 9. Closed Session

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

Pursuant to Section 54956.8:

Property: 2450 Florin Rd.

Agency Negotiator: Leo D. Havener, Jr., General Manager and Thomas S. Bartlett, Finance Manager

Negotiating parties: Florin Resource Conservation District and County of Sacramento

Under negotiations: Price and Terms of payment

No reportable action

Respectfully submitted,

*Stefani Phillips*

Stefani Phillips, Secretary