

**CONTRA COSTA WATER DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR MEETING
July 17, 2019**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

President Borba called to order a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Contra Costa Water District (District) at 6:31 p.m., at 1331 Concord Avenue, Concord, the regular meeting place of the Board.

ROLL CALL

<i>Directors Present:</i>	Lisa M. Borba, President Connstance Holdaway, Vice President Ernesto A. Avila Bette Boatmun John A. Burgh
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<i>Directors Absent:</i>	None
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<i>General Manager:</i>	Jerry Brown
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<i>Legal Counsel:</i>	Douglas E. Coty
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<i>District Secretary:</i>	Mary A. Neher
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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Borba led the pledge of allegiance.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

There were no changes to the agenda, and the Board adopted the agenda by rule.

PUBLIC COMMENT (Please observe a three-minute time limit)

President Borba asked for public comments.

Mr. Bird Morningstar, a Concord resident, reviewed an in-line irrigation tool that may be used to locate drip lines and associated watering stations and left the device for the water conservation staff. His landscape clients continue to conserve water and are comfortable with the District's new bill statement. The Board thanked Mr. Morningstar for providing the device information and customer feedback.

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PRESENTATION

1. Recognize Contra Costa County Science and Engineering Fair Award Winners.

President Borba reviewed the Contra Costa County Science and Engineering Fair program. Director Avila and District staff participated in the science fair. Director Avila said the student projects were outstanding and introduced the award-winning students, who were both students of Ms. Viki Acquistapace at De La Salle High School.

Mr. Ben Deviney, a 10th grade student and second place winner of the Senior Division, reviewed his project focused on identifying pollution and contaminants found in rain water runoff and impacts to the ecosystem, especially in areas that have experienced fire.

Mr. Alexandar “Tiki” Wackowski, a 10th grade student and third place winner of the Senior Division, reviewed his project to use plants instead of chemicals to remove contaminants from fresh water.

The awards were presented to the students and their teacher, and photos were taken.

President Borba thanked Director Avila for participating in the science and engineering program.

CONSENT CALENDAR

2. Approve Directors’ Service/Business and Travel Expenses
 - a. Future Services – July/August 2019
 - b. Expenses – June 2019
 - c. Compensation – June 2019
3. Approve the June 19, 2019 meeting minutes.
4. Approve the warrant register dated July 18, 2019.
5. Authorize payment to Bank of the West for service fees incurred for Letters of Credit associated with Los Vaqueros Reservoir and Canal Replacement Project mitigation requirements in an amount not to exceed \$162,000 in FY20.
6. Authorize execution of a task order in the Construction and Repair Services Agreement with Con-Quest Contractors, Inc. for the Arthur Road Main Replacement Project in an amount not to exceed \$490,622.

President Borba asked if anyone wanted to remove an item from the consent calendar to be separately considered. No items were removed for separate consideration.

President Borba asked for Board questions and comments. There were none.

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President Borba asked for public comments. There were none.

MOTION: Holdaway/Boatmun to approve the consent calendar. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

REPORTS FOR DISCUSSION

7. Future meeting dates and times.

There were no future meeting dates and times.

REPORTS

8. General Manager

Mr. Brown reported that two earthquakes occurred close to the Los Vaqueros Reservoir dam and that all emergency protocols were put into place and no damage was assessed. The California Division of Safety of Dams confirmed the District's findings.

The District quickly responded to a recent odor event, which has subsided. There is an abundance of nutrients in the water. A review of tools tested over the past few years to remediate the source and prevent nutrients from moving through the system was provided.

9. Legal Counsel

Mr. Coty did not have a report.

10. Board Members

Vice President Holdaway reported that she provided a presentation to the Oakley City Council on June 25. She will attend a meeting and tour of a site in Oakley with the Oakley City Manager and Mr. Brown on July 26.

Director Boatmun reported that she had attended the Mayors' Conference on July 11, with a PG&E presentation, which was hard for the audience to see. PG&E said customers should expect power outages for up to four days and recommended that those with special health needs request assistance from friends during power shutoffs. No time was allowed for questions following the presentation. On July 15 she attended a joint meeting of the California Special Districts Association, Contra Costa and Alameda Chapters. She attended the East Bay Leadership Council – Water Task Force meeting on July 16 and the Association of California Water Agencies Board of Directors (ACWA) Region 5 nominating committee meeting on July 17.

Director Avila reported that he had attended the July 11 Mayors' Conference. He was strongly against PG&E's power shutoff policy and feels the District needs to communicate its concerns to PG&E and

the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). Director Boatman said she could take the Board's comments and concerns to the ACWA Board meeting next week. Director Avila suggested the Board review the matter in one of its Board committees.

Director Burgh reported that he had attended the July 11 Mayors' Conference and expressed great concern about public, especially those dependent upon community services like meals on wheels and who are shut-ins. The graphics included in the presentation were of poor quality. The District should review facility generator needs to address power shutoffs. He continued to hear negative comments about the PG&E presentation and power shutoff policy over the weekend. He concurred with the comments by Director Avila and Director Boatman and feels the District needs to be proactive.

President Borba reported that she had met with Mr. Brown on July 9 and 15. On July 10 she attended the Operations and Engineering Committee meeting with Director Avila. Although she had not attended the Mayors' Conference, she supported outreach to make the District's concerns about the power shutoffs known.

CLOSED SESSION

11. Public Employee Performance Evaluation as allowed under Government Code Section 54957, Employee: General Manager.

At 7:44 p.m. President Borba announced the Board would move into a closed session regarding a public employee performance evaluation, and there were no additional attendees.

12. Report on closed session.

At 9:01 p.m. President Borba said that the Board took no reportable action.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:02 p.m., President Borba adjourned the meeting. The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors will be on August 7, 2019 commencing at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room located at 1331 Concord Avenue in Concord.



Lisa M. Borba, President

Attest:



Mary A. Neher, District Secretary