

Minutes

A Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Descanso Community Water District (DCWD) has been called for:

***Tuesday, March 21st, 2023, 7:00 pm
Descanso Town Hall, Viejas Grade Blvd., Descanso, CA***

1. **CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The meeting was called to order by President Phillips at 7:00 PM.
2. **ROLL CALL:** Members present were Phillips, Sanner and Johnson. Operations Manager Julie Meeks with SUSP, SUSP/DCWD Operations Manager Travis Creamer and Jason Kaminsky with HNK CPAs.
3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** LAFCO Candidate Barry Willis asked to amend the agenda to vote tonight and to include the words: "to take appropriate action" in item #7. It was also asked that "Final Acceptance for Viejas Boulevard Pipeline Improvements" be removed from item #8. A motion to approve the agenda with the two adjustments, was given by Johnson and a second by Sanner. A vote was taken, 3 approved and 0 opposed.
4. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** No comments were made from the public.
5. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 2022 MEETING:** A motion to approve the minutes was made by Sanner and a second by Johnson. A vote was taken, 3 approved and 0 opposed.
6. **APPOINTMENT OF SHERI MINIX TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:** Sheri Minix had sent a letter to Board President Maureen Phillips asking to be on the Board. A motion was made by Johnson and a second by Sanner to nominate Minix to the Board. A vote was taken, 3 approved and 0 opposed.
7. **CANDIDATE BARRY WILLIS, COMMISSIONER SAN DIEGO LAFCO:** Barry Willis explained the duties and introduced himself to the Board. He also stated that he is always available for questions regarding LAFCO and asked for the Board's vote in the upcoming election. Johnson asked how many commissioners are with LAFCO to which Willis replied 7. Johnson also asked what other organizations Willis is involved in. Willis explained that he served on the Alpine Fire Board, Kiwanis, and LAFCO. Phillips asked about his thoughts on SB938. Willis explained how he is for local control and does not like the strong arm of the government unless there is a need for it. He went on to explain that he would like to make

it tougher to dissolve an agency and does not like the bullying of smaller agencies. A motion for the Board President to decide and turn it into LAFCO at a later date, was made by Johnson and a second by Sanner. A vote was taken, 3 approved and 0 opposed.

- 8. **FINANCIAL REPORT:** Jason Kaminsky with HNK CPAs went over the financial report with the board and answered all questions. A motion to approve the Financial Report was given by Sanner and a second by Johnson. A vote was taken, 3 approved and 0 opposed.

- 9. **GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT:** Travis Creamer went over the General Managers Report and answered any questions. Julie Meeks explained that James with NV5 had emailed her right before the meeting and that she would forward that email to the Board. Phillips asked the Board for approval to send a letter from legal counsel to NV5 asking for progress and communication. Phillips also asked if legal can look into if we have any options for recouping any costs from NV5 for the delays. The Board authorized the President to send a letter to NV5 through legal. No action needed.

- 10. **DCWD BOARD OF DIRECTOR’S NEWSLETTER:** A newsletter is not needed at this time.

- 11. **SUCH OTHER ITEMS DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED MATTERS AS MAY BE BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:** Kaminsky explained that our Auditor has been non-communitive, and we still do not have an audit from last fiscal year. Phillips said she will call and see if she can get any information. No action needed.

- 12. **MOTION TO ADJOURN:** A motion was given by Sanner and a second by Johnson to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 PM. A vote was taken, 3 approved and 0 opposed.

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