

# Yuima Municipal Water District

## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF YUIMA MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

**Date:** June 26, 2023

**Time:** 2:00 p.m.

### Call to Order

The Special Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Yuima Municipal Water District was held at the office of the district located at 34928 Valley Center Rd., Pauma Valley, California on Monday, the 26<sup>th</sup> day of June 2023. The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was performed.

### Roll Call – Determination of Quorum

President Simpson declared that a quorum of the Board was present.

#### Directors In Attendance

Roland Simpson  
Steve Wehr  
Laurie Kariya  
Don Broomell  
Bruce Knox

#### Others In Attendance

Amy Reeh – General Manager, YMWD  
Lynette Brewer, Finance & Admin. Services Manager, YMWD  
Mark Quinn, Operations Manager, YMWD

### Approval of the Agenda

No Changes to the agenda were proposed.

### Public Comment

No speaker requests were received and no other indication to speak was offered by members of the public present.

## I. Consent Calendar

With motion being offered by Director Knox and seconded by Director Kariya, the Special Meeting Minutes of June 5, 2023; Accounts Paid and Payable for May 2023; and Monthly Financial Reports for April 2023; Resolution Approving Agreement for Water Service and Management Contract for the Lazy H Mutual Water Company; and Resolution Approving Agreement for Record Keeping and Secretarial Services for the Upper San Luis Rey Resource Conservation District (items 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6 of the Consent Calendar) were approved by the following roll-call vote, to wit:

AYES: Wehr, Broomell, Kariya, Knox, Simpson  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

With motion being offered by Director Knox and seconded by Director Kariya, the Resolution Approving Agreement for Emergency and Support Services for the Rancho Estates Mutual Water Company (items 5 of the Consent Calendar) was approved by the following roll-call vote, to wit:

AYES: Wehr, Kariya, Knox,  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: Broomell, Simpson  
ABSENT: None

## II. Action Discussion

### 1. Budget Workshop: Review the Second Review of the 2023-24 Proposed Operating Budget.

General Manager Reeh presented the Proposed 2023-24 Operating Budget. The presentation included the original budget (Option 1) with the proposed water rate based on the budget and a second option (Option 2) that included the revised increase to the District's rate from the Water Authority and using rate stabilization funds for IDA. Both Options were a balanced budget with Option 1 resulting in a rate increase from between 8.9% and 11.5% depending on the rate class (Domestic or PSAWR Agriculture). Option 2, using rate stabilization funds for IDA rate offset resulted in a rate increase between 4.6% and 9.7% depending on the rate class.

General Manager Reeh explained that in addition to the significant increase on the Water Authority rate, the District was also having to incorporate the previous two years increases that were offset with rate stabilization funds; a "catch up" scenario. Manager Reeh again discussed the danger of drawing down the rate stabilization funds too low, using too much cash on hand and possibly not meeting the District's Debt Service requirements.

The bulk of the rate increase is due to the District's 10.3% increase in the San Diego County Water Authorities water commodity rate to the District for imported water. It was discussed

about again putting off a full rate increase and what implications of having to “catch up” next year might have on the rate.

## **2. Public Hearing to Receive Comments and Consider Adoption of the Proposed Schedule of Water Rates and Charges.**

President Simpson called for the collection of written notices from the public; no written notices were presented.

President Simpson opened the public hearing and asked staff to make a statement as to the public notification of the public hearing. Manager Reeh stated that the Prop 218 notice was mailed to all property owners within the District service area on May 12, 2023, posted on the District website and published in the Valley Center Roadrunner for no less than 45 days.

Manager Reeh was asked to summarize the proposed rates and water related charges to which she reviewed the presentation information for Option 1 chosen by the Board.

President Simpson asked if any members wished to speak; there was no public present to speak on the proposed rates and charges.

With no public speakers, President Simpson closed the public hearing. Director Broomell was asked if any written communications had been filed with the District regarding the proposed rate increase; no letters were received so there was not a majority protest to the rate increase.

### **2.A Proposed Resolution Adopting Increase in Water Rates and Charges and Amending Rules and Regulations Governing Water Service (Schedule of Rates, Rentals, Fees, Deposits and Charges Sections 2.27, 16.1,16.5 & 18.3.6)**

Upon motion offered by Director Knox, seconded by Director Wehr, the *Resolution Adopting Increase in Water Rates and Charges and Amending Rules and Regulations Governing Water Service (Schedule of Rates, Rentals, Fees, Deposits and Charges Sections 2.27, 16.1,16.5 & 18.3.6)* for Option 1 was approved and carried unanimously by the following roll-call vote, to wit:

AYES: Wehr, Broomell, Kariya, Knox, Simpson  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

## **3. Proposed Resolution adopting the Operating and Capital Budgets for Fiscal Year 2023/24.**

Upon motion offered by Director Simpson, seconded by Director Knox, the *Resolution Adopting the Operating and Capital Budgets for Fiscal Year 2023/24* was approved and carried unanimously by the following roll-call vote, to wit:

AYES: Wehr, Broomell, Kariya, Knox, Simpson  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

**4. Proposed Resolution Establishing the Appropriation Limit for Fiscal Year 2023/24 Pursuant to Article XIII B of the California Constitution.**

Upon motion offered by Director Knox, seconded by Director Kariya, *the Resolution Establishing the Appropriation Limit for Fiscal Years 2023/24* was approved and carried unanimously by the following roll-call vote, to wit:

AYES: Wehr, Broomell, Kariya, Knox, Simpson

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

**5. Proposed Resolution Amending the Employee Handbook Sections 1(G&J), 2(F), 3(H), 4(G&H) and Section 9.**

Upon motion offered by Director Simpson, seconded by Director Broomell, *the Resolution Amending the Employee Handbook Sections 1(G&J), 2(F), 3(H), 4(G&H) and Section 9* was approved and carried unanimously by the following roll-call vote, to wit:

AYES: Wehr, Broomell, Kariya, Knox, Simpson

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

### **III. Information / Reports**

Reports are provided for information purposes only. No Discussion was held.

**1. Board Reports/Meeting**

**2. Administrative**

**3. Capital Improvement Program**

The Capital Improvement Report was available in the Board packet.

**4. Operations**

Manager Reeh asked Operations Manager to give the Board a brief summary of the operating system so as to make them aware of a few minor problems. The system is running smoothly but due to the weather, water sales are still slower than normal for this time of year.

**5. Counsel**

General Counsel was not present.

**6. Finance & Administrative Services.**

Reports were available in the Board packet.

**IV. Other Business**

July 24, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

**V. Adjournment**

The meeting of the Board of Directors of the Yuima Municipal Water District was adjourned at 3:10 p.m. until the next regular meeting on July 24, 2020, at 2:00 p.m.

  
Roland Simpson, President

  
Don Broomell, Secretary/Treasurer