

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
YUIMA MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
October 15, 2015**

The Special Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Yuima Municipal Water District was held at the office of the District, 34928 Valley Center Road, Pauma Valley, California on Thursday, the 15th day of October, 2015.

**Special Meeting
10/15/15**

1. ROLL CALL – DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

President Knutson called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. A quorum was present.

**Call to Order
3:30 pm**

Directors Present:

Present: 5

W.D. "Bill" Knutson, President
Ron Watkins, Vice-President
Terry Yasutake, Secretary/Treasurer
Mike Fitzsimmons, Director
Laney Villalobos, Director

Directors Absent:

Absent: 0

None

Others Present:

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Lori A. Johnson, Director of Finance
Todd Engstrand, Director of Operations
Jeff Scott Counsel
Amy Reeh, Accountant
Allen Simon, Senior Systems Tech
Mark Quinn, Water Systems Tech II
Bill Winn
Ben Brooks
Arne Fjelland
Doug Ives

George Stockton
Roland Simpson
Daren House
Matt Borden
Al & Rene Savard
Patsy Fritz
Doug Anderson
Jesse Hutchings
Bobby Graziano

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

Quorum Present

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of Allegiance

President Knutson led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approval of Agenda

There were no amendments to the agenda.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comments:

Roland Simpson stated he and everyone he has spoken with are excited about the changes that are ahead. He stated that the District has a very complete detailed check out listing which he acquired in his most recent Public Records Request and requested a written description of how Director of Operations and Engineering supervised the removal of former General Manager Burzell's personal items from the District. Patsy Fritz recommended that District consider bringing on a specialized person to assist with the transition and a two board member committee be appointed to consider this consultant. Doug Ives mentioned the District putting out a press release.

I. ACTION/DISCUSSION

1. Consider Appointment of Interim General Manager – Lori A. Johnson

Consider appointment of Interim General Manager

President Knutson announced that on October 7th, 2015 General Manager Linden A. Burzell retired after 11 years of service to the District.

President Knutson stated that the Board will consider appointment of an interim general manager noting that Lori Johnson is under consideration . She has worked for the District for 37 years and has served in all departments in the District. She holds Distribution and Treatment certifications from the State Water Resources Control Board and has a degree in accounting. Over the years she has represented the District at all levels in the water industry. She is qualified and willing to accept the appointment.

Upon a motion by Director Fitzsimmons to appoint Lori A. Johnson as

Decision to Appoint

“General Manager” and not *interim*, the motion was seconded by Director Watkins who stated that, “we need to head in a new direction and using “interim” could impede her.” President Knutson stated he did not want Yuima being marginalized if its leader was an “interim” appointment. Director Villalobos expressed concern that from a public perception, the Board may wish to consider retaining the “interim” for a few months. Following discussion, President Knutson called for the vote to appoint Lori A. Johnson as General Manager of Yuima Municipal Water District, which was approved unanimously by the following roll call vote, to wit:

**Lori A. Johnson
General
Manager**

AYES: Watkins, Fitzsimmons, Villalobos, Yasutake, Knutson
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

II. OTHER BUSINESS

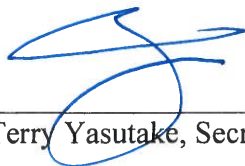
None

**No other
business**

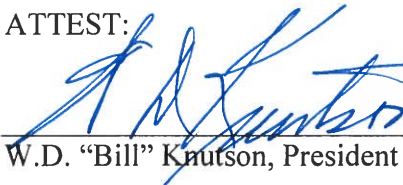
III. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the board, President Knutson declared the meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Adjournment



Terry Yasutake, Secretary

ATTEST:


W.D. “Bill” Knutson, President