

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
YUIMA MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT  
August 25, 2014**

The Regular 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 Monday, the 25<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2014.

**Regular Meeting  
8/25/14**

**1. ROLL CALL – DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**

President Knutson called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

**Call to Order  
2:00 pm**

Directors Present:

**Present: 5**

W.D. “Bill” Knutson, President  
Ron Watkins, Vice-President  
George Stockton, Secretary/Treasurer  
Mike Fitzsimmons  
Doug Anderson

Directors Absent:

**Absent: 0**

None

Others Present:

**Others Present**

Linden A. Burzell, General Manager  
Lori A. Johnson, Director of Finance  
Todd Engstrand, Director of Operations & Engineering  
Captain Johnson, CalFire  
Roland Simpson  
Daren House  
Julie Kimball

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

**Quorum Present**

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

President Knutson led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

No amendments to the Agenda were proposed.

**Approval of Agenda**

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no members of the public present who wished to address the board.

No amendments

Public Comments:

None

**I. CONSENT CALENDAR**

Consent Calendar Approved

Director Watkins moved approval of the Consent Calendar, consisting of the *Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Adjourned of July 30, 2014 and Special Meeting of July 18, 2014; Approval of Accounts Paid and Payable for July 2014; Acceptance of the Monthly Financial Reports for July 2014 (Treasurer’s Report, June and July)*. The motion was seconded by Director Anderson and approved by the following roll-call vote, to wit:

Regular Meeting Minutes – 7/30/14 and Special Meeting Minutes for 7/18/14

July Paid/Payables

July Financial Reports

- AYES: Fitzsimmons, Watkins, Stockton, Anderson, Knutson
- NOES: None
- ABSTAIN: None
- ABSENT: None

**II. SPECIAL REPORTS**

CalFire was represented by Captain Johnson who reported that the previous month was very busy because of the fires in northern California. He also verified that the local station was well covered throughout the month, even though some equipment and personnel were on the fire lines in northern California. He emphasized the importance of maintaining proper weed abatement clearances in times of high fire danger.

CAL FIRE report Capt. Johnson

**III. ACTION/DISCUSSION**

1. Proposed Resolution Implementing the Level 2 Provisions of Ordinance No. 100-08 (Drought Response Conservation Program) Declaring a Level 2 Drought Condition

Res # 1573-14 Level 2 Drought Declaration

Upon a motion by President Knutson, seconded by Director Fitzsimmons, Resolution 1573-14 Implementing the Level 2 Provisions of

Ordinance No. 100-08 (Drought Response Conservation Program) Declaring a Level 2 Drought Conditions was approved by the following roll call vote, to wit:

AYES: Fitzsimmons, Watkins, Stockton, Anderson, Knutson  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

**Moratorium  
on Setting New  
Meters**

2. Consideration of a Temporary Moratorium on the Setting of New Water Meters Pending Completion of a System Capacity Review

After discussion and upon a motion by Director Watkins, seconded by Director Fitzsimmons, the board directed staff to cease setting any new water meters until a system capacity review is completed and approved by the board. The motion was approved upon the following roll call vote, to wit:

**Requests for  
new meters by  
TY Nursery**

**--Tabled--**

AYES: Fitzsimmons, Watkins, Stockton, Anderson, Knutson  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

3. Consider requests for new meters from Takashi Yasutake, dba TY Nursery, Inc.: requesting a 4” meter for APN 130-060-13 for 100.47 acres; requesting an additional 3” meter for APN 130-060-16 for 126.65 acres; requesting an additional 2” meter for APN 10-080-30 for 88.52 acres due to loss of local groundwater supply.

After discussion and upon a motion by Director Anderson, seconded by Director Stockton, the motion to table was approved by the following roll call vote, to wit:

**Res. #1574-14  
Approving  
Certification  
and  
Agreement  
with USB  
Financial Svcs.**

AYES: Fitzsimmons, Watkins, Stockton, Anderson, Knutson  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

4. Proposed Resolution Approving Certification and Agreement of Government/Government-Related Entity with USB Financial Services, Inc.

After discussion and upon a motion by Director Stockton, seconded by

Director Watkins Resolution 1574-14 Approving Certification and Agreement of Government/Government-Related Entity with USB Financial Services, Inc. was approved by the following roll call vote, to wit:

AYES: Fitzsimmons, Watkins, Stockton, Anderson, Knutson  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

**No Action**

5. San Diego Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) Call for Nominations for LAFCO Independent Special District Member

No nominations were offered. A “No Interest Form” will be submitted by President Knutson.

**IV. INFORMATION/REPORTS**

IV-1. Board Reports/Meetings

- President Knutson reported that last month JPIA approved a 10% reduction in liability insurance rates, although there was strong, though not determinative, support for a 30% rate cut.
- Vice President Watkins reported that the Water Authority Board has voted to support passage of the \$7.541 billion water bond. New groundwater legislation appears likely to pass in the current legislative session, although the current drafts will not mandate compliance for several years. A major contractor on the San Vicente Dam Raise Project has filed a claim over withheld funds.

**Board Reports**

**Pres. Knutson**

**VP Watkins**

IV-2. Administrative Report

Manager Burzell called the board’s attention to his written Administrative report. Director Watkins asked about the effects of the drought on river well yields. Manager Burzell stated that yields have dropped significantly as static and pumping levels have declined to historic low levels.

**Administrative Report**

IV-3. Capital Improvement Program

Manager Burzell called the board’s attention to the Capital Improvement Program reports. There were no questions.

**Capital Improvements**

IV-4. Operations Report

Operations Director Engstrand reported to the board that the low static water level in the river well field has had a significant effect on the production of well No. 12. Well No. 12 has a depth of only 112 feet and its production has decreased from approximately 400 gpm to around 60 gpm. The other four River (Strub) wells are drilled to at least 200 feet. It is recommended that the Board consider a project to deepen Well No. 12 in the coming year to help maintain/sustain its production. Vice President Watkins asked the estimated flow rate of the latest horizontal well HW No. 49. Staff reported the flow rate to be approximately 60 gpm.

**Operations & Engineering Report**

President Knutson inquired about the status of Horizontal Well No. 50. Director of Operations Engstrand reported that Spring Water Development (SWD) had prepared the site pad and mobilized the drilling equipment. In the coming days, SWD will begin drilling the 75-foot conductor.

Director Fitzsimmons asked if there were any results from the auction of Mesa Tank and Lazy H hydro tank. Director of Finance Johnson reported that we just received the results. The Mesa Tank sold for \$12,800 and the Lazy H hydro tank sold for \$600.

IV-5. Counsel’s Report.

Counsel Scott was not present.

**Counsel’s Report**

IV-6. Finance Report

Director of Finance reported that the O’Connor claim issues is scheduled to be heard on September 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Finance Reports**

**V. OTHER BUSINESS**

**CLOSED SESSION: Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing litigation. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (a)  
Name of Case: Strub v. Palomar Mutual Water Company – San Diego County Superior Court Case No. 162650. In the Court of Appeal of the State of California Fourth District, Division One: Rancho Pauma Mutual Water Company v. Yuima Municipal Water District.**

Closed Session  
Existing  
Litigation

The Board entered closed session at 3:02 and emerged from closed session at 3:22 pm. Counsel Scott participated by telephone. Staff and Counsel were directed to take appropriate action with respect to the matters discussed.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the board and upon a motion to adjourn the meeting offered by President Knutson, seconded by Director Anderson and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 3:24 p.m. to Tuesday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 2:00 pm.

Adjourn @ 3:24  
p.m.  
Next meeting:  
September 30,  
2014

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Signature on file at District Office.  
George Stockton, Secretary

ATTEST:

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Signature on file at District Office.  
W.D. "Bill" Knutson, President