

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
FLORIN RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Tuesday, October 17, 2023

The regular meeting of the Florin Resource Conservation District Board of Directors was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chair Tom Nelson at 9829 Waterman Road, Elk Grove, CA.

Call to Order, Roll Call, and Pledge of Allegiance.

Directors Present: Tom Nelson, Paul Lindsay, Sophia Scherman
Directors Absent: Lisa Medina, Elliot Mulberg
Staff Present: Bruce Kamilos, General Manager; Patrick Lee, Finance Manager/ Treasurer;
Travis Franklin, Program Manager; Amber Kavert, Human Resources
Technician; Richard Ko, Engineering Technician I; Aurelia Camilo,
Administrative Assistant II
Staff Absent: Stefani Phillips, Human Resources Administrator/Board Secretary; Donella
Murillo, Finance Supervisor; Ben Voelz, Associate Engineer
Associate Directors Present: Kim Martin, Robert Stresak
Associate Directors Absent: None
General Counsel Present: Andrew Ramos, Bartkiewicz, Kronick & Shanahan

Public Comment

No comment.

1. Proclamations and Announcements

Nothing to report.

2. Consent Calendar

- a. Minutes of Regular Board Meeting of September 19, 2023
- b. Accounts Payable Check History – September 2023
- c. Board and Employee Expense/Reimbursements – September 2023
- d. Active Accounts – September 2023
- e. Bond Covenant Status for FY 2023-24 – September 2023
- f. CASH - Detail Schedule of Investments– September 2023
- g. Consultants Expenses – September 2023
- h. Major Capital Improvement Projects – September 2023

Item b was pulled for questions and answers.

MSC (Lindsay/Scherman) to approve Florin Resource Conservation District Consent Calendar items a-h with amendments. 3/0: Ayes: Lindsay, Nelson, and Scherman.

3. Elk Grove Water District Fiscal Year 2023-24 Quarterly Operating Budget Status Report

Finance Manager Patrick Lee presented the item to the Florin Resource Conservation District (District) Board of Directors (Board).

In summary, revenues collected through the first quarter of the fiscal year total \$4,952,170 which is 30.20% of the \$16,396,704 annual budget. The revenues are \$153,691 or 3.20% above the same quarter of the prior year due to an overall increase in consumption for the months of July through September 2023 and a 2.0% revenue rate increase that went into effect January 1, 2023.

4. Elk Grove Water District Fiscal Year 2023-24 Quarterly Capital Reserve Status Report

Mr. Lee presented the item to the Board.

In summary, through the first quarter of Fiscal Year 2023-24, the District expended \$670,164 for capital projects leaving a remaining total reserve balance on September 30, 2023 of \$16,853,780.

5. Lead Service Line Industry

Engineering Technician I Richard Ko presented the item to the Board.

In summary, the Lead Service Line Inventory is one (1) of the major requirements under the Lead and Copper Rule Revision (LCRR). The regulation mandates public water systems conduct an inventory of all service lines in their water systems. The purpose of the inventory is to identify and document any lead service lines within water systems. The LCRR requires public water systems to complete and submit lead service line inventories to their respective state water agencies by October 16, 2024. Elk Grove Water District (EGWD) is in the process of conducting the inventory of all service lines within the water system. EGWD has applied and has been approved by the State Water Resources Control Board's Division of Drinking Water to use the stratified random sampling method to determine the unknown materials of service lines. The stratified random sampling method requires a 95% confidence level with 5% margin of error and 50% sample proportion of the total number of service lines with unknown materials. Based on this method, the random sample size of service lines to inspect is 373.

Chair Tom Nelson asked that staff place the lead service line monthly sampling inspection results into the monthly operation reports. Staff will add the item to the monthly report.

Associate Director Kim Martin asked how much notice customers will receive about their service lines being sampled. Mr. Ko let her know it will only be at the meter box, so currently customer service staff will be made aware of where the sampling will be done in case of any calls from customers.

Associate Director Robert Stresak asked, if lead is detected, who will be responsible for replacing it. Mr. Ko informed him, if lead is detected, customers will need to be notified and a protocol will need to be created to replace the lead lines. Depending on if the lead lines are found on the customer side or the Districts, EGWD will replace, but who will pay for the cost is dependent on which side of the meter the lead line is on.

6. Revisions to Elk Grove Water District Standard Construction Specifications and Standard Detail Drawings

General Manager Bruce Kamilos presented the item to the Board.

In summary, EGWD Standard Construction Specifications and Standard Detail Drawings (Standards) dictate the standard construction methods and materials by which all public drinking water infrastructure is installed or constructed within the District's service areas. Besides minor revisions, the District Standards have not been thoroughly updated to accommodate current construction methods and materials since their adoption by the Board in 2005. The Standards have now been updated to reflect current construction methods and materials that are approved by staff in compliance with all applicable State and Federal drinking water regulations. Per the District's Provisions of Water Service Ordinance No. 09.18.19.01, any changes to the Standards shall be approved by the Board.

Mr. Kamilos explained the changes made to the Standards include: the disinfecting and flushing procedure for new and repaired water mains, service line cover depth at 30"-72" (included saddle torque specs, hydrant location specifics such as nozzle location at 6" back of walk and nozzle height at 18"-22" above finished ground), backfill regulations for new water mains using 3" min. section concrete slurry (2 sack cement, not 1 sack), elimination of all galvanized steel (replaced with no-lead brass), and the addition of an extra valve at all tees and crosses.

Mr. Kamilos recommended that the Board have staff bring back Ordinance No. 09.18.19.01, to eliminate or change the Standards approval provision. Vice-chair Paul Lindsay asked that the language be revised to reflect the Board being informed of the changes as opposed to approving the changes. Staff will bring the ordinance back at a later meeting.

Vice-chair Lindsay suggested there be a document created to ensure the record of all revisions to future documents.

MSC (Lindsay/Scherman) to adopt Resolution No. 10.17.23.01, approving the 2023 revisions to the Elk Grove Water District Standard Construction Specifications and Standard Detail Drawings. 3/0: Ayes: Lindsay, Nelson, and Scherman.

7. Legislative Matters and Potential Direction to Staff

Program Manager Travis Franklin presented the current legislative matters to the Board. He highlighted the bills that passed legislation and that were vetoed by the Governor. He also provided the Board with the drafts of the two (2) comment letters regarding the proposed Making Water Conservation a California Way of Life regulation the Board authorized the general manager to sign on behalf of the District at the last meeting.

Chair Nelson thanked Mr. Franklin for his representation of the District at the State Water Resource Control Board October 4th public workshop where water districts from all over the state came to discuss the proposed water efficiency regulation.

8. General Manager's Report

Mr. Kamilos presented the item to the Board. He explained the District received an email from the Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission stating an insufficient number of ballots were received and will need to be extended for 60 days. He also provided information on PFAS class action settlements recommending the District not opt out, and an update on groundwater recharge projects.

Mr. Franklin gave an update on the State Water Resource Conservation District October 4th public workshop and the Giant Pumpkin Festival.

9. Elk Grove Water District Operations Report – September 2023

Mr. Kamilos presented the EGWD Operations Report – September 2023 to the Board.

10. Directors Comments

Director Sophia Scherman asked what was being done about the small pieces of land that the District has been trying to sell. Staff will be looking into this.

Mr. Nelson suggested moving the next board meeting from November 21, which is Thanksgiving week, and combining both the November and December meetings. All present Board members agreed to cancel the regular meetings in November and December and to hold a special meeting on December 12, 2023.

Adjourn to Special Board Meeting on December 12, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,



Stefani Phillips, Board Secretary

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