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SUMMARY ACTION MINUTES Regular Meeting of Wednesday, April 03, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Lee called the meeting to order and recognized a quorum.

Present: Jeff Lee, Chair, City of Grover Beach
Caren Ray Russom, Vice Chair, City of Arroyo Grande
Linda Austin, Director, Oceano Community Services District

District Staff: Jeremy Ghent, District Administrator;
Gilbert Trujillo, Legal Counsel,
Amy Simpson, District Bookkeeper/Secretary

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Administrator Ghent led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. AGENDA REVIEW

Approved as presented.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT APPEARING ON AGENDA

No public comment was received.

5. CONSENT AGENDA:

- 5A. Approval of Warrants
- 5B. Approval of Meeting Minutes of March 20, 2019
- 5C. Request Approval to Purchase a New Replacement Front Loader

Chair Lee opened the Public Comment period.

Julie Tacker commented on the Rate Study that Bartle Wells is working on.

Chair Lee closed the Public Comment period.

Administrator Ghent said that the District has received an initial updated draft of Rate Study. District staff reviewed and submitted comments to Bartle Wells.

Motion: Chair Lee motioned to approve the Consent Agenda with modification to Item 5C to increase or decrease the expenditure amount for sales tax as necessary.

Second: Director Austin

Action: Approved unanimously by roll call. Vote carries 3-0.

6. ACTION ITEMS:

6A. TRIBUTE TO BARBARA NICOLLS

Administrator Ghent presented this item. Chair Lee read Resolution 2019-404 honoring Barbara Nicolls for her outstanding service to the ratepayers of the South San Luis Obispo County Sanitation District.

Chair Lee opened the Public Comment period.

There was no public comment.

Chair Lee closed the Public Comment period.

Motion: Vice Chair Ray Russom motioned to adopt Resolution No. 2019-404 as submitted.

Second: Director Austin

Action: Approved unanimously by voice vote. Vote carries 3-0.

Barbara Nicolls said it was not an individual effort. She commended Linda Austin and staff and said the changes have been good.

6B. UPDATE ON PROJECT EXPENDITURES FOR DISTRICT'S WASTEWATER REDUNDANCY PROJECT

Administrator Ghent presented this item with a PowerPoint presentation. This item was brought back as a request from the March 06 meeting. He provided background and status; project phases; FY 18/19 summary; historic expenditures and future projections; total project budget and expenditures to date and a schedule. This PowerPoint presentation is available on the website at SSLOCS.D.ORG.

Vice Chair Ray Russom asked if there was a contingency built into the construction phase as well as a total project contingency at the end. She also asked when the last time the construction estimate was run.

Administrator Ghent confirmed there were two separate contingencies built into the budget. He said the most recent design submittal included the updated construction estimate and that nothing has changed on the \$21.01 cost.

Director Austin asked about previous budgets and about USDA funding.

Administrator Ghent responded that USDA has indicated that they will fund Oceano's portion of the project.

Chair Lee asked about the future projections funding table and if the Redundancy Project will change the certifications required to run the plant.

Administrator Ghent responded that Bartle Wells recommended funding be done as a total project not by fiscal years and said there will no change in certification requirements. Plant will remain a Grade III Facility.

Chair Lee opened the Public Comment period

Julie Tacker commented on the the increase of cost for operating; permitting; interest rates and USDA funding. She said she does not like this project.

David Baldwin from the Building and Constructions Trade Counsel commented on community workforce agreements.

Chair Lee closed the Public Comment period.

Action: The Board received and filed the report.

Administrator Ghent responded to the comments and reiterated the importance of the Redundancy Project. The PowerPoint presentation will be available on the District website.

6C. PLANT OPERATIONS REPORT

Administrator Ghent presented this report. The numbers continue to be well within compliance.

Chair Lee opened the Public Comment period.

Julie Tacker commented on a video for the Fixed Film Reactor (FFR) and said she would like the Central Coast Blue Project to be offsite.

Chair Lee closed the Public Comment period.

Administrator Ghent said there is a plan if the FFR drive unit failed but there is not a District work product that would be available to the public.

7. BOARD MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

Director Ray Russom asked about going to one meeting a month.

Legal Counsel responded that there will be a staff report before the Board regarding meeting once a month on the next agenda.

Chair Lee asked if the revised plans for the County project on 13th Street and Hwy 1 have had any impact to the facility to be concerned about.

Administrator Ghent responded that County staff have more than graciously accommodated all District requests to keep clearance.

9. ADJOURN MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

THESE MINUTES WERE APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AT THE MEETING OF MAY 1, 2019.