



Minutes of the Special Meeting of
the Board of Directors of the Rowland Water District

February 27, 2018 – 5:00 p.m.
Location: District Office

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL OF DIRECTORS

President Szu Pei Lu-Yang
Vice President Robert W. Lewis
Director Anthony J. Lima
Director John Bellah
Director Teresa P. Rios

ABSENT:

None

OTHERS PRESENT:

Christopher Pisano, Legal Counsel, Best Best & Krieger

ROWLAND WATER DISTRICT STAFF:

Tom Coleman, General Manager
Rose Perea, Director of Administrative Services
Dave Warren, Director of Operations
Sean Henry, Finance Officer

ADDITION(S) TO THE AGENDA

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

COMMENTS:

None.

Tab 1 ACTION ITEMS

1.1

Discuss AMI Meter Conversions

General Manager, Tom Coleman, discussed in general the differences between an Automatic Meter Reading (AMR) system (currently partially utilized by the District) and an Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) system. Mr. Coleman presented a video and a Power Point presentation on the AMI system and discussed the financial aspects of the conversion. After discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to proceed with the AMI conversions throughout the District.

1.2

Discussion of Upcoming Conferences, Workshops, or Events (Including Items that May Have Arisen after the Posting of the Agenda)

- OPARC Fund Raiser, April 6, 2018, Padua Hills Theater, Claremont, CA
After discussion and upon motion by Director Lewis, seconded by Director Lima, the Board unanimously approved the \$1,250.00 sponsorship of the OPARC event to be held on April 6, 2018, at the Padua Hills Theatre, in Claremont, California. The event will help individuals with disabilities.

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CLOSED SESSION

Legal Counsel, Christopher Pisano, adjourned the meeting to closed session at 6:26 p.m. and announced that the purpose of the closed session, and the provisions of the Brown Act authorizing the closed session were listed in the agenda.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: (One Case)

The closed session was adjourned and the Board resumed the meeting in open session at 6:38 p.m.

Upon returning to open session, legal counsel reported that upon motion by Director Lewis, seconded by Director Lima, the Board unanimously authorized the initiation of litigation and once the action is formally commenced, the details of it will be disclosed to any person upon request.

Ayes: Directors Lu-Yang, Lewis, Lima, Bellah and Rios
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Directors’ and General Manager’s Comments

General Manager, Tom Coleman, provided information on Senate Bill 998 which would require urban community water systems to have a written policy on residential water service shutoffs. The bill would prevent urban community water systems from shutting off residential water service for no less than 60 days when a water bill becomes delinquent and would require local health department assessment of any grave danger a water shutoff poses to a household and would prohibit a shutoff under specified conditions.

Future Agenda Items

None.

Late Business

None.

Next Regular Board Meeting

March 6, 2018, 6:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Director Lima, seconded by Director Rios, and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

SZU PEI LU-YANG
Board President

Attest: _____
TOM COLEMAN
Board Secretary