# MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF BIG BEAR MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT HELD ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2014

### CALL TO ORDER

President Murphy called the Open Session to order at 1:00 PM. Those in attendance included Director Lewis, Director Suhay, Director Eminger, Director Smith, District Counsel Wayne Lemieux (via Skype), General Manager Scott Heule, Lake Manager Mike Stephenson, and Board Secretary Vicki Sheppard.

# DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

President Murphy reported that there was no closed session at the January 23rd meeting.

### REPORTS

Mr. Heule reported that we have made significant progress on getting credit for our ACOE work in kind. He added that after submitting two requests over the past two weeks our balance is roughly \$150,000 to \$190,000. He explained that all of the time that he, Mike Stephenson, and Carrie Shirreffs have been working on closing this out will be credited and he has already documented over \$200,000 on that effort since 2010. He commented that we are getting really close to wrapping this up. Mr. Heule reported that last meeting he shared that Valley District did not expect to get any water allocation from the State Water Project. He added that, if you have been listening to the news recently, you know that their prediction is coming true. He stated that fortunately Southern California water purveyors have historically planned their water systems to accommodate droughts and are blessed with deep alluvial aquifers that provide tremendous reservoirs. He explained that here in Big Bear we are also in pretty good shape because of the low per capita water demand and alluvial aquifers that can sustain demands for a few dry years. He commented that he hopes that all of you enjoy reading the recent Comprehensive Aquatic Vegetation Survey report that we just completed. He added that this is the second survey we have completed and satisfies one of the many requirements of the TMDL. Lake Manager, Mike Stephenson reported that with the storm today the lake level hasn't come up but it also hasn't gone down for the last two weeks remaining at about 8' 7" down from full. He reported that seasonal hiring is progressing with testing next week and then on to the interview stage with hiring the first week in March. He added that we have received over 100 applications. He reported that they refurbished the RV Park bathrooms this year and also rebuilt the gangways for the fishing docks at both ramps.

## APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Upon a motion by Director Eminger, seconded by Director Lewis, the following consent items were unanimously approved:

- Minutes of a Special Meeting Workshop of January 22, 2014
- Minutes of a Special Meeting of January 23, 2014
- Warrant List dated January 30, 2014 for \$34,955.12

- Approval of a Special Event Permit for Redlands Bicycle Classic Time Trials being proposed for April 3, 2014 at the East Ramp
- Approval of a Special Event Permit for the Big Bear Lake Rotary Club's Annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks Display

# DISTRICT LONG AND SHORT TERM CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN – DISCUSSION ONLY

President Murphy reported that the Capital Improvement Plan Ad Hoc Committee is looking for input from the various Committees regarding their project "wish lists". Director Smith added that they would like lists of what they would like to see now and down the road. Mr. Heule stated that the next special workshop will be Operations on February 19th and will be discussing lake levels and private dock placement and summer staffing.

# **PUBLIC FORUM**

No comments were made

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. Heule announced that the next Board meeting will be February 20th. He added that our next Workshop is scheduled for February 19 at 1:00 PM. He reported that he will be out of the office visiting family in North Carolina for a week beginning Wednesday, February 26 through Tuesday, March 4.

### **DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

Director Eminger commented that he thinks the workshops are a very good idea.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:21 P.M.

**NEXT MEETING** 

Open Session at 1:00 P.M.
Thursday, February 20, 2014
Big Bear Municipal Water District
40524 Lakeview Drive, Big Bear Lake, CA

Vicki Sheppard

Secretary to the Board

Big Bear Municipal Water District

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