



MINUTES REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

IDYLLWILD WATER DISTRICT
25945 Highway 243
Idyllwild, CA 92549

July 17, 2024 – 6:00 P.M.

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

President Schelly called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

President Schelly, Vice President Szabadi, Director Kunkle, Director Olson and Director Davis were present along with General Manager Rojas and Chief Financial Officer Shouman. General Counsel Holland Stewart was also present.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

1. CONSENT CALENDAR

Consent Calendar items are expected to be routine and non-controversial, to be acted upon by the Board at one time without discussion. If any Board member, staff member, or interested person requests that an item be removed from the Consent Calendar, it shall be removed so that it may be acted upon separately.

A. MINUTES

Special Board Meeting:	June 12, 2024
Regular Board Meeting:	June 19, 2024
Regular Board Meeting:	June 20, 2024

B. FINANCIAL REPORTS

- a. Income statement for the twelfth month ending June 30, 2024
- b. District warrants for June 2024

Check #18340-18388	= \$297,022.44
Gross Payroll	= \$74,097.00
Federal/State PR taxes	= \$6,220.00
LAIF Transfers	= \$0.00
Transfers/charges	= \$377.00



C. OPERATIONS REPORT

DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Director Kunkle had a question on the warrants. Director Szabadi had a question on the 44% reduction in sales and was questioning if there was a problem with the meters.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

A motion was made by Director Szabadi to approve the Consent Calendar and Director Davis seconded.

The vote was as follows:

AYES

Director Davis
Director Olson
Director Kunkle
Vice President Szabadi
President Shelly

NAYS

ABSTAIN

ABSENT

Motion approved.

INFORMATION

2. GENERAL MANAGER REPORT

The General Manager will update the Board on accomplishments, challenges that have occurred and key performance metrics.

DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Director Olson asked for clarification on email address if staff emails were same syntax as Mr. Rojas's email. Director Kunkle thanked Mr. Rojas for putting a list together of the accomplishments made over the month in writing. Director Olson asked about the hydrant water at Idyllwild Arts. Director Davis asked about reaching out to CRWA regarding detecting leaks in our system. Director Szabadi asked Mr. Rojas to review the wastewater treatment plant. President Schelly asked for clarification on the reservoir



(Tank #3) getting drained, he also mentioned that Mr. Rojas has good working relationships with neighboring agencies and thanked the other agencies.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

David Jerome asked about a leak last week and asked roughly how much water was lost during that leak. Steve Moulton mentioned it was nice to see Mr. Rojas and the staff getting problems fixed within our district.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

3. HCN BANK REPRESENTATIVE

The Board of Directors will discuss having a bank representative come to talk about investing.

DIRECTOR COMMENTS

President Schelly asked about moving monies from Chase accounts to HCN Bank with this interest rate. Director Olson asked how much monies C.F.O. Shouman thought the district should move to HCN Bank. The Board recommend that C.F.O. Shouman move some monies into a CD with HCN Bank.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

4. BOARD MEMBER AND MEETING DECORUM, POLICY #4

The Board of Directors will Discuss the existing Board Member and Meeting Decorum Policy #4.

DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Director Kunkle mentioned that any changes go through the General Manager.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

ACTION ITEMS

5. INCREASING STIPEND FOR BOARD MEETINGS

The Board of Directors will consider increasing the stipend for attending the Board Meeting.

DIRECTOR COMMENTS



Director Olson asked for it to stay at \$50.00. Director Kunkle wanted it to stay at \$50.00 Director Davis asked for it to decrease to \$25.00. President Schelly asked for a Public Hearing at the next Board Meeting to increase the stipend.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

6. FINAL INITIAL STUDY WITH PROPOSED MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

The Board of Directors will consider approving the CEQA for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Project.

DIRECTOR COMMENTS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

A motion was made by President Schelly to approve the final initial study with proposed mitigated negative declaration and Director Olson seconded.

The vote was as follows:

AYES

Director Davis
Director Olson
Director Kunkle
Vice President Szabadi
President Shelly

NAYS

ABSTAIN

ABSENT

Motion approved.

7. EL - CO CONTRACTORS BID

The Board of Directors will consider approving the bid to continue the work on the pipeline for the Strawberry Creek Diversion.

DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Director Kunkle asked financially if we can handle it, he also asked about hitting rock. Director Davis said it will cost more later. Director Szabadi had some questions about the discount that El-Co was offering and if they hit rock. He also asked if this was in your CIP? President Schelly would like to see them going up the highway instead of going up Fern Valley Road. Director



Kunkle asked Bill to talk with John from EI-Co and do work on the Highway.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

A motion was made by Director Szabadi to approve the EI-Co Bid and Director Olson seconded.

The vote was as follows:

AYES

Director Davis
Director Olson
Director Kunkle
Vice President Szabadi
President Shelly

NAYS

ABSTAIN

ABSENT

Motion approved.

8. DONAHOO WELL EASEMENT AND ARGEEMENT

The Board of Directors will consider approving the Agreement and Easement for the Donahoo Well.

DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Director Kunkle asked if this was a two-part stage thing. President Shelly clarified what needed to be added in, because it was on the last board agenda and that was to add \$2,500.00. Director Szabadi asked who worked on the easement and the agreement from General Counsel.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Steve Multon asked about the insurance that Mr. Donahoo asked for at a previous meeting.

A motion was made by Director Olson to approve the Donahoo Well Easement and Agreement with the amendment and Director Szabadi seconded.



The vote was as follows:

AYES

Director Davis
Director Olson
Director Kunkle
Vice President Szabadi
President Shelly

NAYS

ABSTAIN

ABSENT

Motion approved.

DIRECTORS COMMENTS

President Schelly asked for pricing on hiring an outside HR firm and asked if there were any monies allocated in the budget for the diversion. Director Kunkle asked about GIS. Director Szabadi mentioned about getting the money for the wastewater

ADJOURNMENT


The board adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

The next Board meeting is a Regular Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, August 21, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., to be held at the Idyllwild Water District Boardroom, 25945 Hwy. 243, Idyllwild, CA 92549.

Idyllwild Water District

BY: 
Bill Rojas
Board Secretary

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BY: 
Dr. Charles Schelly
Board President