

July 18, 2013
Special Meeting
4:03 p.m.

The Board of Directors of the San Benito County Water District convened in special session on Thursday, July 18, 2013 at 4:03 p.m. at the San Benito County Water District office at 30 Mansfield Road, Hollister, California. Members present were: President John Tobias, Vice President Joe Tonascia and Directors Frank Bettencourt, Sonny Flores and Joe Torquato. Also present were District Manager/Engineer Jeff Cattaneo, District Counsel David E. Pipal, Assistant Manager Sara Singleton, Deputy District Engineer Dale Rosskamp, Consultant Harry Blohm and Office Specialist III Barbara Mauro.

CALL TO ORDER

President Tobias called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Tobias led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA ITEMS:

1. Discuss and Consider Approval of Plans and Specifications for the Lessalt Water Treatment Plant Upgrade

Mr. Cattaneo stated the purpose of today's meeting is to discuss and consider approving the plans and specifications for the proposed upgrades to the Lessalt WTP. With the board's approval, the District could begin advertising for bids beginning tomorrow. Mr. Cattaneo added that Dahl Consultants have also reviewed the documents. Last week, staff met with the Administration Committee and their comments have been incorporated into the document.

With the Board's approval, Mr. Cattaneo stated the documents would be sent to an on-line bid firm, which will reach contractors throughout California, therefore giving the advantage of reaching a wider selection of bidders. The proposed bid due date is August 27, 2013. Following the receipt of bids, the District will have either a Special Board Meeting in September or have it as an agenda item at the regular Board Meeting in September.

The two other steps are the O & M Agreement with Sunnyslope and the Engineering Services Agreement with Kennedy/Jenks; both will be going to the Administration Committee next week and then be items on the July board agenda.

Vice President Tonascia asked, regarding the galvanized metal, why is zinc rich primer deleted. Mr. Blohm stated is it a compatibility issue.

President Tobias asked if this is a typical window for the bid time. Mr. Cattaneo replied six weeks in not unusual. Mr. Blohm added that Dahl Consultants stated if a bid period is too long, potential contractors can lose interest.

President Tobias asked what the cost would be for the on-line bid service. Mr. Blohm replied it is approximately \$3,000 to \$5,000. Mr. Cattaneo added the bid service would keep track of all of those participants who have plans for the project.

Director Bettencourt asked if bonds will be required; Mr. Cattaneo stated several bonds will be required.

With no further questions, a motion was made by Vice President Tonascia and seconded by Director Bettencourt; the Board of Directors unanimously approved of the Plans and Specifications for the Lessalt Water Treatment Plant Upgrade.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Minutes were approved at the August 28, 2013 Board Meeting and signed by the presiding board member.

/s/John Tobias
John Tobias, President

/s/Barbara L. Mauro
Barbara L. Mauro, Recording Secretary