Rivergrove Water District Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting Minutes Monday, June 24, 2024

A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held on this day at 17661 Pilkington Road, Lake Oswego. Chair Roth presided over the meeting and other attendees included: Commissioners Johnson and Howell. Commissioners Magura and Patterson were excused. The General Manager also attended.

- 1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m.
- 2. Special Presentation: In April 2024, the Board commissioned a new Rate Study from EES Consulting since the District's last Rate Study expired in 2024. Mr. Russ Schneider, Senior Project Manager, attended the meeting and presented highlights of the study. The financial health of the District was stable due to steady rate increases and sound financial management. With the District assuming a new \$2.7M loan for the Resilient Backbone and AC Pipe Replacement Project, Mr. Schneider cautioned the Board on assuming any additional debt. Future rate increases were recommended as: 5% in 2024/2025; 7.9% in 2025/2026; 4.1% in 2026/2027; and 4.1% in 2027/2028. EES does not recommend the District implement a block rate program.
- 3. Public Comment: No public comment was received.
- 4. Review and Approval of Minutes:
- a. The May 20, 2024 Budget Hearing minutes were approved by a motion from *Commissioner Howell, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, and passed unanimously.*
- b. The May 20, 2024 Board Meeting minutes were approved by a motion from *Commissioner Howell, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, and passed unanimously.*
- 5. Monthly General Manager's Report: See attached.
- 6. Unfinished Business:
- a. <u>Supervisory Control & Data Acquisition (SCADA) & Peripheral Site Control Improvements Project:</u> The General Manager stated the project will be bid out to obtain competitive pricing. Due to the anticipated high cost of total system replacement, funding for the project would be contingent upon the new Rate Study.
- b. <u>Board Goals and Priorities 2024-2025</u>: The Board discussed goals and priorities for the new fiscal year.

7. New Business:

- a. Resolution 2024-03 Fiscal Year 2024/2025 Water Rates, Fees, and Charges: The resolution was approved by a motion from Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Howell, and passed unanimously.
- b. <u>Resolution 2024-04 Notice of Public Meetings</u>: The resolution was approved by a motion from *Commissioner Howell, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, and passed unanimously.*
- **8.** Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, July 22, 2024.

James W. Johnson Secretary

Christine K. Roth, Chair

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