

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
BERRENDA MESA WATER DISTRICT

Held January 11, 2023

A special meeting of the Board of Directors (Board) of Berrenda Mesa Water District was held on January 11, 2023 as a joint meeting with Westside Water Authority, Belridge Water Storage District, Lost Hills Water District, and Dudley Ridge Water District at 9:00 a.m. in-person at Belridge Water Storage District's Administrative and Operation Building, and by video conference and teleconference.

CALL TO ORDER)
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President Rob Goff called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and presided thereat.

ROLL CALL)
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The following directors were present: Rob Goff, Alan Scroggs, Leon Elwell, and Mike Nordstrom.

Also present were Tom Watson, Eduardo Lucero, Levi Barton, Rob Yraceburu, Brett Hampf, Jeremy Blackwell, Monte Mitchell, Kim Brown, Patrick O'Dowd, Brad Kroeker, Christin Faber, Jaime Marquez; Steve Bottoms, Justin Rowe, Kim Constant (Assistant Secretary), Mark Gilkey (General Manger), and Joseph D. Hughes (Legal Counsel).

Also attending by video conference and/or teleconference were Alex Dominguez, Morgan Mitchell, Bernard Pugét, Don Elholm, G. Patrick O'Dowd, Rick Besecker, Adam Salwasser, Anthony Brown, and Kellie Welch.

ADOPTION OF ALTERNATIVE)
TELECONFERENCING REQUIREMENTS)
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Following discussion, on motion of Alan Scroggs, seconded by Mike Nordstrom, and unanimously carried, the Board made the determination that, due to continuation of the Governor's Executive Order and imminent risk to health and safety, the Board will continue with the previous teleconferencing determinations under Assembly Bill 361, on the following roll call vote:

AYES: Rob Goff
Leon Elwell
Alan Scroggs
Mike Nordstrom

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA)
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There were no requests to revise the agenda.

IN HONOR OF ROB BAKER)
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The Board requested a moment of silence in honor of Rob Baker.

Rod Stiefvater, Leta Spencer, and Sebastian Silveira arrived at this point in the meeting.

OPERATIONS UPDATE)
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Water Supplies: The Manager reported that the 2023 initial Table A allocation is at 5 percent and presented information regarding snowpack and water storage.

Operations & Maintenance Report: No report.

SELECTION OF OFFICERS)
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Justin Rowe recommended the Board appoint Kim Constant and Joseph D. Hughes to the position of assistant secretary and Tami Pensinger and Justin Rowe to the position of assistant treasurer. Following discussion, on motion of Alan Scroggs, seconded by Mike Nordstrom, and unanimously carried, the Board appointed Kim Constant and Joseph D. Hughes to the position of assistant secretary and Tami Pensinger and Justin Rowe to the position of assistant treasurer on the following roll call vote:

AYES: Rob Goff
Leon Elwell
Alan Scroggs
Mike Nordstrom

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

REPORT OF COUNSEL)
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Alex Dominguez provided a brief report regarding 2023 legislative activities.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION)
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Justin Rowe presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Steve Bottoms for his fifteen years of service to the District.

EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION)
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The President directed that the Board move into closed session to discuss anticipated litigation. Legal Counsel advised the Board that it has authority to hold a closed session under Government Code sections 54956.8, 54956.9(d)(2), and 54956.9(d)(4). All persons other than the Directors, the Manager, Legal Counsel, Alex Dominguez, Rob Yraceburu, Brett Hampf, Brad Kroeker, Monte Mitchell, Jeremy Blackwell, Kim Brown, Bernard Pugét, Don Elholm, Patrick O'Dowd, Christin Faber, Jaime Marquez, Tom Watson, Justin Rowe, and Kim Constant thereupon retired from the meeting.

Following the closed session, the meeting was again open to the public. Legal Counsel advised that no reportable action was taken in the closed session.


ADJOURNMENT)
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There being no further business to come before the meeting, on motion of Alan Scroggs, seconded by Leon Elwell, and unanimously carried, said meeting was adjourned at 9:32 a.m.



Mark Gilkey
Secretary of the Board of Directors

APPROVED:



Rob Goff
President of the Board of Directors