

EL DORADO HILLS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

EIGHT HUNDRED TWENTIETH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thursday, September 17, 2020

5:00 p.m.

District Office, 1050 Wilson Boulevard, El Dorado Hills, CA 95762

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Hartley called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Directors in attendance: Bennett, Durante, Giraud, Hartley, and White. Director Durante attended via teleconference. Staff in attendance: Chief Johnson and Director of Finance Braddock. Counsel Cook was also in attendance.

Meeting adjourned to closed session at 5:00 p.m.

II. CLOSED SESSION

- A. **Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Sections 54957(b)(1); Public Employee Performance Evaluation: Fire Chief**
- B. **Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Sections 54956.9(d)(2) and 54956.9 (d)4); potential litigation; one matter**

The meeting reconvened at 6:01 p.m. The Board took no action during closed session.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. PUBLIC HEARING

- A. **Appeal by Ryan Fraser of Weed Abatement Charges Applied as a Special Assessment Against His Property at 6041 Toscano Loop in Accordance with El Dorado Hills County Water District Resolution 2019-01** – Chief Phillips presented the request from Ryan Fraser to refund the weed abatement charges from 2019 assessed against his property.

A public hearing was opened at 6:15 p.m.

Ryan Fraser stated his case for refunding the charges.

The public hearing was closed at 6:30 p.m.

Director White made a motion to grant Ryan Fraser's request and refund the charges applied as a Special Assessment Against His Property at 6041 Toscano Loop in Accordance with El Dorado Hills County Water District Resolution 2019-01, seconded by Director Durante and unanimously carried. (Roll Call: Ayes: 5, Noes: 0)

- B. **Appeal by Oral Shtulvarg of Weed Abatement Charges Applied as a Special Assessment Against Her Property at 3060 Vista Le Fonti in Accordance with**

El Dorado County Water District Resolution 2020-05 – Chief Phillips presented Oral Shtulvarg’s appeal of the weed abatement charges from 2020 and stated that Staff recommends denying the appeal.

A public hearing was opened at 6:36 p.m.

The public hearing was closed at 6:40 p.m.

Director Bennett made a motion to deny the appeal by Oral Shtulvarg of Weed Abatement Charges Applied as a Special Assessment Against Her Property at 3060 Vista Le Fonti in Accordance with El Dorado County Water District Resolution 2020-05, seconded by Director White and carried. (Roll Call: Ayes: 4, Noes: 1- Hartley)

V. PRESENTATION

- A. Communications Study Presentation** – Federal Engineering representatives presented the findings of the communications study and their recommendation. Several public members made comments pertaining to a specific incident in which the current communications system failed. Chief Johnson explained the purpose of the presentation is for the Board to receive and file the report, and next steps will be to take the report back to both internal and external stakeholder groups to determine what the recommended option will be for the Department moving forward.

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Approve Minutes of the 819th Board meeting held August 20, 2020**
- B. Approve Financial Statements and Check Register**
- C. Approve Employee Development Center (EDC) Financial Report**

Director Giraud made a motion to approve the consent calendar, seconded by Director Bennett and unanimously carried. (Roll call: Ayes: 5; Noes: 0)

VII. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

- A. EDH Professional Firefighters** – Mark Ali, president, recognized the firefighters’ response to the call to help other communities with the fires all over California. He also talked about his experience as Union President and stated that Brian Wilkey would hold that position going forward. The Board thanked Captain Ali for his service to the District.
- B. EDH Firefighters Association** – None
- C. Public Comment** – None

VIII. CORRESPONDENCE – None

IX. ATTORNEY ITEMS – None

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. **Administrative Committee (Directors Bennett and Hartley)** – No report.
- B. **Finance Committee (Directors Giraudo and White)** – No report.
- C. **Joint Powers Authority (Directors Hartley and Giraudo)** – Chief Johnson reported that the JPA is in the final interview stage of selecting a new Executive Director.

XI. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT – Chief Johnson reported the following to the Board:

- The EDC has 10 classes scheduled through January.
- The Department hired Eric Haydt as Operation Specialist.
- Engineer promotional exam is in the planning phases.
- Lt. Bertelsen Park Flag Ceremony was held on 9/16.
- COVID antibody testing is being researched to potentially offer to the personnel.
- Thanked firefighters for sending additional resources to support OES while covering the District.

XII. OPERATIONS REPORT

- A. **Operations Report (Receive and file)** – Received and filed.

XIII. COMMUNITY RISK REDUCTION REPORT

- A. **CRRD Report (Receive and file)** – Received and filed.

XIV. FISCAL ITEMS

- A. **Public Hearing: Review and approve Resolution 2020-16 approving the Final Budget for fiscal year 2020/21 and authorize expenditures from Reserve Funds** – Director of Finance Braddock summarized the changes from the preliminary budget and recommended adoption of the 2020/21 final budget.

A public hearing was opened at 8:30 p.m.

The public hearing was closed at 8:30 p.m.

Director Giraudo made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-16 approving the Final Budget for fiscal year 2020/21 and authorize expenditures from Reserve Funds, seconded by Director Bennett and unanimously carried. (Roll Call: Ayes: 5; Noes: 0)

- B. **Review annual Development Fee balance and expenditures report** – Director of Finance Braddock stated that the presented report shows the activity in the Development fee account for fiscal year 2019/20 and will be submitted to the County. Received and filed.
- C. **Review and approve 2019/20 Capital Asset write-offs/surplus items** – Director of Finance Braddock explained that the District has one capital asset write-off detailed in the report for 2019/20.

Director White made a motion to approve the 2019/20 Capital Asset write-offs/surplus items, seconded by Director Hartley and unanimously carried. (Roll Call: Ayes: 5; Noes: 0)

XV. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Review and approve the District's Conflict of Interest Code Resolution 2020-17** - Director of Finance Braddock reported that the only change to the proposed Conflict of Interest Code is the addition of the Director of Human Resources position.

Director Giraud made a motion to approve the District's Conflict of Interest Code Resolution 2020-17, seconded by Director Benetti, and unanimously carried. (Roll Call: Ayes: 5; Noes: 0)

- B. Review and approve strike team reimbursement to Deputy Chief Dustin Hall** – Director of Finance Braddock explained that the Deputy Chiefs and Fire Chiefs are not entitled to overtime per policy, but the Board can approve overtime pay up to the amount that the District is reimbursed by OES.

Director White made a motion approve strike team reimbursement to Deputy Chief Dustin Hall, seconded by Director Giraud and unanimously carried. (Roll Call: Ayes: 5; Noes: 0)

XVI. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Rescue Annexation Update** – Chief Johnson reported that the Rescue Board of Directors would like to discuss the governance issue further and would be reaching out to schedule a meeting.
- B. Training Center Update** – Chief Johnson stated that Staff would be bring a formal recommendation to the October Board meeting.
- C. EDHCSD/EDHFD 2x2 update (Directors Durante and White)** – No report.

XVII. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Directors** – Director Hartley complimented Staff on the ceremony at Bertelsen park.
- B. Staff** – Chief Johnson thanked the Board for the recognition of 30 years in the fire service.

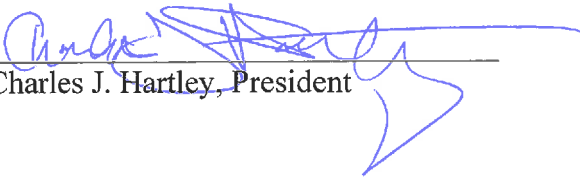
C. Schedule upcoming committee meetings – None

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT

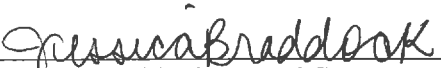
Director Durante made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Director White and unanimously carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:56 p.m.

Approved:



Charles J. Hartley, President



Jessica Braddock, Board Secretary