

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
FINANCE/INVESTMENT COMMITTEE
OF THE VALLECITOS WATER DISTRICT
MONDAY, APRIL 11, 2022 AT 11:00 A.M.
AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE IN THE BOARD ROOM
201 VALLECITOS DE ORO, SAN MARCOS, CALIFORNIA

Director Elitharp called the meeting to order at the hour of 11:00 a.m.

Present: Director Boyd-Hodgson
Director Elitharp
General Manager Pruim
Assistant General Manager Gumpel
District Engineer Hubbard
Finance Manager Owen
Operations & Maintenance Manager Pedrazzi
Accounting Supervisor Rathsam
Principal Financial Analyst Arthur
Information Technology Technician Todd
Executive Assistant Johnson

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ITEM(S) FOR DISCUSSION

PRELIMINARY SALARIES AND BENEFITS/CAPITAL BUDGET REQUESTS

Finance Manager Owen provided an update on the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 budget process to date. Staff facilitated a presentation as follows:

- Preliminary Salary and Benefits
- Directors' Salary and Benefits
- Operating Budget – Salaries and Benefits
- Operating Budget – Full-Time Equivalent Employees
- Draft Capital Budget Page
- Draft Capital Budget
 - Comprehensive Project List
 - Carryover Projects
 - New Projects
- Vehicles and Equipment
- Water Sales and Purchases
- Water Purchases
- Budget Calendar

- Board Workshop – May 5
- Board Workshop – May 18
- Regular Board Meeting – June 1 (Approval of Recommended Budget)

Question and answer took place during the presentation. It was noted that all numbers presented were preliminary and subject to change. General Manager Pruim stated the Board workshop tentatively scheduled for May 5 will need to be rescheduled due to Board travel conflicts.

COST OF SERVICE STUDY UPDATE

Principal Financial Analyst Arthur stated staff have been working with a consultant for the past 18 months to update the District's Cost of Service Study (COSS). Changes are being considered for pass-through rates from the San Diego County Water Authority, increases for internal District costs, changing the Proposition 218 Notice to cover a five-year period, and establishing drought rates. He facilitated a presentation as follows:

- Calendar/Deadlines
 - Board Workshop – May 10 (Tentative)
 - Notice of Public Hearing Mailed – May 12
 - Public Hearing – July 6
 - New Rates in Effect – July 7
 - For Bills Mailed On or After August 6
- Fixed Ready-to-Serve Charges
- Commodity Rates
- Sample Bill
- Drought Rates
- Rate Survey
- Proposition 218 Notice

General discussion and question and answer took place during the presentation.

OTHER BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at the hour of 1:01 p.m.