

# **MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SEWERAGE COMMISSION - OROVILLE REGION**

(Held at the Commission office on July 23, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.)

## **1. Call to Order ❖**

Chairman Pittman called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

## **2. Roll Call ❖**

Commissioners present were Commissioners Mastelotto and Salvucci from the Lake Oroville Area Public Utility District, Pittman and Thomson from the City of Oroville, Clark and Koch from the Thermalito Water and Sewer District. Staff present was Manager Glen Sturdevant, Plant Supervisor Mikah Salsi; Attorney Ryan Jones attended by Zoom.

## **3. Salute to the Flag ❖**

Commissioner Salvucci led the commissioners and staff in the salute to the flag.

## **4. Acknowledgment of Visitors ❖**

None

## **5. Acknowledgement and Welcome of New Commissioner ❖**

Chairman Pittman welcomed new commissioner, Mark Clark, who replaces outgoing commissioner Brad Taggart for the Thermalito Water and Sewer District.

## **6. Board Meeting Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on June 25, 2024 ❖**

Upon motion by Vice-Chair Mastelotto to approve the minutes of the meeting, and seconded by Commissioner Salvucci, the minutes of the June 25, 2024 regular meeting were unanimously approved.

## **7. Authorization of Warrants ❖**

Vice-Chair Mastelotto met with Manager Sturdevant and reviewed the warrants earlier, and having found everything to be in order made a motion for their approval. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Salvucci. Warrants 29050-29106 in the total amount of \$488,226.26, including employee paychecks, commissioner fees and electronic fund transfers, were unanimously approved and ordered paid.

## **8. Fiscal Reports ❖**

Manager Sturdevant stated the fiscal reports for June 2024 were included in the packets for review. There were no questions expressed and nothing further to report.

## **9. CalPERS Unfunded Liability Contribution ❖**

Fiscal Officer Sturdevant stated that each year we must pay our CalPERS annual unfunded accrued liability. If we pay it in a lump sum now it will cost \$229,290.00, which will save SC-OR \$7,668.00, rather than as a monthly payment.

A motion was made by Commissioner Koch to authorize paying the CalPERS annual unfunded accrued liability in the sum of \$229,290.00. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Clark, and passed by the following vote: Mastelotto – Yes, Pittman – Yes, Koch – Yes.

## **10. Painting Contracts ❖**

Manager Sturdevant stated that the board had given permission to reroof the main plant building, which is now complete, and the plan was then to have staff paint the eaves and trim in a gray to match the new metal roof. Staff is still willing to do the painting if the board desires, but Manager Sturdevant asked staff to request bids to see what it would cost to have a professional painter do the work, as it would be done quicker and more professionally than if staff were to paint. We obtained three bids, which were submitted in your packets. Staff is asking for approval to hire DaSilva Painting, as he is local, had the lowest bid, and has previously done work at our plant.

A motion was made by Commissioner Thomson to accept the bid from DaSilva Painting for an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00. The motion was seconded by Vice-Chair Mastelotto, and passed by the following vote: Mastelotto – Yes, Pittman – Yes, Koch – Yes.

## **11. Attorney's Report ❖**

Attorney Jones reported that there is no significant update on the K&M litigation. Counsel are waiting on discovery, and then they can make some strategic decisions based upon that.

## **12. Manager's Report ❖**

Manager Sturdevant reported:

- There are no operational issues to report.
- We sent out our quarterly samples last week.
- We are fully in drying sludge mode, and it is pretty dry. Once we get the go-ahead from Neal Road we will begin hauling the sludge.
- Influent pump station: The contractors are working on the punch list items. We have issued the substantial completion paperwork.

**City of Oroville:** He has been working with Fred Mayo, the City Public Works Director, to get the EDU count done. The city is using one of the consultants that SC-OR found to accomplish that task.

**TWSD:** On July 29<sup>th</sup> work will start moving filters from TWSD to our plant.

**LOAPUD:** Manager Sturdevant and Supervisor Salsi attended the LOAPUD proposition 218 hearing on July 9<sup>th</sup>, and it went well. There was one visitor with questions on the rate increases, and 20 letters of protest received, but the increases passed, and our approved rate increases went into effect July 1<sup>st</sup>.

Commissioner Salvucci asked for an update on the flow meter at Feather River Pump Station. Manager Sturdevant reported it is installed, and we working on getting it hooked up and programmed.

### **13. Visitor Comments ❖**

None

### **14. Commissioner and Staff Comments ❖**

Commissioner Thomson suggested that if there are improvements to be done to our trunkline, that they should be done prior to the repaving of highway 162. Manager Sturdevant said that CalTrans is going to upgrade the north side of 162, and will raise some of our manholes. We rarely use the pipe on the north side of the road—only in storm situations—and we flush that line once a month. He will borrow a camera crew from one of the JPA entities to camera the line for inspection prior to the improvements.

### **15. Adjournment ❖**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:16 p.m. to the regular meeting scheduled for August 27, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



GLEN E. STURDEVANT, CLERK