



District Attendees

Misha Sarkovich	Board President
Randy Marx	Board Vice President
Gary Page	Board Member
Shawn Huckaby	Operations Manager
Chi Ha-Ly	Finance Manager
Paul Siebensohn	Technical Services Manager
Josh Heavenston	Operations Superintendent

Other Attendees

George Babcock	Visitor
Tim Menezes	Visitor

Absent

Michael McRae	Board Member
Nadine Reid	Board Member

AGENDA ITEMS

I. CALL TO ORDER

- Board President Sarkovich called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

- None.

III. CONSENT CALENDAR

The following consent calendar items were considered and acted upon as follows:

1. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Regular Board Meeting on July 12, 2021
2. Accept and File Treasurer's Report for the month of July 2021
3. Accept and File Investment Report for the month of June 2021

4. Accept and File Financial Expense Report for the month of July 2021
5. Approval of Warrants
6. Approval of Cal-Card Statements for the month of July 2021
7. Approval of Board Expense Report for the month of July 2021

President Sarkovich moved to approve the consent calendar as presented.

Vice President Marx seconded the motion.

Motion carried with the following votes: Marx – aye, Page – aye, and Sarkovich – aye.

Absent: McRae, Reid.

IV. PRESENTATION & CORRESPONDENCE

1. Public hearing on the FOWD Urban Water Management Plan and Water Shortage Contingency Plan

- General Manager Gray inquired if there were any public comments on the presented plan.
- President Sarkovich replied that there were no comments from the public.
- General Manager Gray reported to the Board that San Juan Water District General Manager Helliker wrote an email stating the Plan was done well and had a few comments on the allocation of water.
- General Manager Gray commented that the Plan was published on the FOWD website and in the Sacramento Bee seeking public comment.

President Sarkovich moved to close the public hearing on the FOWD Urban Water Management Plan.

Vice President Marx seconded the motion.

Motion carried with the following votes: Marx – aye, Page – aye, and Sarkovich – aye.

Absent: McRae, Reid.

2. FOWD Corporation Yard Redevelopment Project – Preliminary Design Presentation

- General Manager Gray provided an update on the FOWD Corporation Yard Redevelopment Project. A workshop has been scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on August 18, 2021 in the FOWD Board Room with the sole purpose of educating the public about the project and receiving public comment on the project.

3. Sacramento Bee Article - Help Conserve Water: New Climate Brings New Pressures

- General Manager Gray discussed the Sacramento Bee Article - Help Conserve Water: New Climate Brings New Pressures that was coauthor by FOWD staff.

V. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS: OLD BUSINESS

1. Update and discussion on FOWD Groundwater Well Projects

- General Manager Gray presented an update on the FOWD Groundwater Well Projects.

VI. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS: NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion and possible action on an update to FOWD Policy No. 6100: “Record Retention and Destruction”

President Sarkovich moved to update FOWD Policy No. 6100: “Record Retention and Destruction.”

Vice President Marx seconded the motion.

Motion carried with the following votes: Marx – aye, Page – aye, and Sarkovich – aye.

Absent: McRae, Reid.

2. Discussion and possible action on an update to FOWD Policy No. 6101: “Inspection of Public Records”

President Sarkovich moved to update FOWD Policy No. 6101: “Inspection of Public Records.”

Vice President Marx seconded the motion.

Motion carried with the following votes: Marx – aye, Page – aye, and Sarkovich – aye.

Absent: McRae, Reid.

3. Discussion and possible action on FOWD Resolution No. 21-03: “A Resolution for Record Retention and Destruction”

President Sarkovich moved to adopt resolution No. 21-03: “A Resolution for Record Retention and Destruction.”

Vice President Marx seconded the motion.

Motion carried with the following votes: Marx – aye, Page – aye, and Sarkovich – aye.

Absent: McRae, Reid.

4. Discussion and possible action on FOWD Resolution No. 21-04: “A Resolution Adopting the 2020 Urban Water Management Plan”

President Sarkovich moved to adopt resolution No. 21-04: “A Resolution Adopting the 2020 Urban Water Management Plan.”

Vice President Marx seconded the motion.

- Director Page inquired if there is a conjunctive use policy for ratio of surface water and groundwater.
- General Manager Gray replied that there is no policy for conjunctive use.
- Director Page inquired if the plan can reflect the current direction of using 70% surface water and 30% groundwater.
- General Manager Gray replied that the UWMP does not reflect that ratio.
- Director Page inquired as to the basis for the assumption of 15,000 AC-FT per year.
- General Manager Gray replied that the number comes from prior wholesale water supply agreements between FOWD & SJWD used in the UWMP.
- Director Page stated that he would like to replace the word assumed.
- General Manager Gray replied that staff will look into changing the term assumed.
- Director Page inquired if the District provides free high efficiency toilets.
- General Manager Gray replied the District offers a rebate for the purchase of an ultra-high efficiency toilet.

Motion carried with the following votes: Marx – aye, Page – aye, and Sarkovich – aye.
Absent: McRae, Reid.

5. Discussion and possible action on FOWD Resolution No. 21-05: “A Resolution Adopting the 2020 Water Shortage Contingency Plan”

President Sarkovich moved to adopt resolution No. 21-05: “A Resolution Adopting the 2020 Water Shortage Contingency Plan.”

Vice President Marx seconded the motion.

Motion carried with the following votes: Marx – aye, Page – aye, and Sarkovich – aye.

Absent: McRae, Reid.

6. Discussion and possible action on FOWD Resolution No. 21-06: “A Resolution Declaring a Stage 3 – Water Warning within the FOWD Service Area”

- General Manager Gray recommended that the Board approve and adopt Resolution No. 21-06: “A Resolution Declaring a Stage 3 – Water Warning within the FOWD Service Area.”

President Sarkovich moved to adopt resolution No. 21-06: “A Resolution Declaring a Stage 3 – Water Warning within the FOWD Service Area.”

Vice President Marx seconded the motion.

- Director Page stated that policy wording is strict without having an enforcement. He is opposed to the wording of the resolution.
- General Manager Gray replied that the wording is designed to encourage voluntary reduction.
- President Sarkovich stated that the resolution uses authoritative language and would like to soften the language.

- General Manager Gray requested that Director Page provide feedback on the resolution.

Motion failed with the following votes: Marx – nay, Page – nay, and Sarkovich – aye.

Absent: McRae, Reid.

7. Discussion and possible action on FOWD Water Conservation Stage 3 “Can and Will Serve Letter”

Agenda item VI.7 is tabled until next Board Meeting.

8. Discussion on Board direction for the development of a 2022 FOWD Annual Budget

- General Manager Gray requested that the Board provide staff with direction in developing a 2022 FOWD Annual Budget.
- President Sarkovich stated that there is no need to secure new debt or raise rates for the Corporate Yard Project or the T-Main Replacement Project in 2022 with the intention of addressing the funding in 2023.
- Director Page stated that the T-Main Replacement Project demands attention.
- Vice President Marx stated that future capital outlay in the following 2-3 years should be addressed in the budget document. He continued that he would like a review of the fixed charges and commodity charges with analysis of rate changes.
- Director Page stated that he would like to see the District take full advantage of any available grant funding.
- President Sarkovich inquired if the agreement with Fair Oaks Parks and Recreation has been completed.
- General Manager Gray replied that the agreement draft has been submitted to FOWD and is currently under review with the intention of presenting it to the Board at the September Regular Board Meeting.

9. Discussion and possible action on nomination for the Sacramento LAFCo Special District Commissioner for Office No. 6 and Alternate Special District Commissioner for Offices 6 & 7

- General Manager Gray inquired if any of the current Board members would like to participate in the LAFCo special district commissioner office No. 6 and alternate commission for offices 6 & 7.
- President Sarkovich stated that the Board does not want to participate.

10. Update and discussion on FOWD Water Supply for the month of July 2021

- General Manager Gray provided to the Board a summary of the FOWD water supply for the month of July 2021. The District supplied 36.5% of groundwater to meet customer demands.

11. Discussion and possible action on additional funding for 2021

President Sarkovich moved to authorize the General Manager to transfer \$42,500 from contingency funds and reserve to cover 2021 expenses.

Vice President Marx Director McRae seconded the motion.

Motion carried with the following votes: Marx – aye, Page – aye, and Sarkovich – aye.

Absent: McRae, Reid.

VII. UPCOMING EVENTS

1. Sacramento County Supervisor Desmond’s Redistricting Workshop / August 16, 2021 / FOWD

- Information Only.

2. FOWD Corporation Yard Redevelopment Project Community Workshop / August 18, 2021 / FOWD

- Information Only.

3. Regional Water Authority 20th Anniversary Celebration / October 7, 2021 / Sacramento, CA

- Information Only.

4. ACWA Fall Conference / November 30 – December 3, 2021 / Pasadena, CA

- Information Only.

VIII. REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

1. Sacramento Groundwater Authority (SGA)

- None.

2. Regional Water Authority (RWA)

- Vice President Marx stated that the RWA meeting was primarily about the water reduction resolution.

3. Sacramento Water Forum

- None.

4. **Other**
 - None.

IX. DIRECTORS' REPORTS & COMMENTS

1. **Budget Committee – (Sarkovich, Reid)**
 - None.
2. **Technical Advisory Committee – (Marx, McRae)**
 - None.
3. **Capital Improvement Committee – (Sarkovich, Reid)**
 - None.
4. **Personnel Committee – (McRae, Page)**
 - None.
5. **Public Relations Committee – (Page, Reid)**
 - None.
6. **Wholesale Water Agreement Ad-Hoc Committee – (Page, McRae)**
 - None.
7. **Carmichael Water District Ad-Hoc Committee – (Marx, McRae)**
 - None.

X. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

1. **Maintenance Work Report**
 - Report provided, no discussion.
2. **Capital Projects Status Reports**
 - Report provided, no discussion.
3. **Authorizations of Additional Funding**
 - Report provided, no discussion.

4. Water Transfer Status Report

- None.

5. Claims Against District

- None.

6. Employee Update

- General Manager Gray reported that the District is fully staffed.

7. Water Issues – Update on Regional Involvement

- None.

8. Other

- None.

XI. PUBLIC COMMENT

- Mr. Babcock stated that he is worried about inflation and wondered if a rate increase would be necessary.

President Sarkovich closed the open session meeting at 8:20 p.m.

President Sarkovich called closed session meeting to order 8:25 p.m.

XII. CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956

1. Conference on Anticipated Litigation (Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9) – one case

President Sarkovich closed the closed session meeting at 9:15 p.m.

President Sarkovich reopened the meeting to the public at 9:16 p.m.

XIII. REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

- Nothing to report.

XIV. PUBLIC COMMENT

- None.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Board, President Sarkovich adjourned the meeting at 9:16 p.m.

The Board approved the preceding minutes on September 13, 2021

Tom R. Gray
General Manager/Board Secretary

Date