



**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
DEL PASO MANOR WATER DISTRICT**

MINUTES

**April 16, 2024 6:00 PM
1817 Maryal Drive, Suite 300, Sacramento 95864**

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Vice President Dolk called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL:

Directors Present: Vice President Carl Dolk, Bob Matteoli, Gwynne Pratt, and David Ross

Vacant Position: One Vacant Position

Staff Present: General Manager Adam Coyan
Office Manager Victoria Hoppe
Assistant Legal Counsel Lauren Bernadette

A quorum of the Board was present.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA: Members may pull an item from the agenda.

Director Ross made a motion to adopt the agenda. The motion was seconded by Director Pratt. The agenda was adopted on a 4 Yes/0 No/1 Vacancy vote.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS - ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA The Board of Directors welcomes participation at these meetings. Matters under the jurisdiction of the Board that are not posted on the agenda may be addressed by the public, California law prohibits the Board from acting on any matter which is not on the posted agenda, unless the members determines that it is an emergency or other situation specified in Government Code Section 54954.2. Public comments are limited to five (5) minutes per individual. Please make your comments directly to the DPMWD Chair. Comments will be accepted via teleconference and in writing.

Vice President Dolk called for public comment. Seeing no one come forward, he closed public comment.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR: All items under Consent Calendar will be considered together by one action of the Board, any Member or members of the public may request that an item be removed and considered separately.

There were no Consent Calendar items to consider.

6. PUBLIC HEARING:

There were no Public Hearing items to consider.

7. OLD BUSINESS:

There were no Old Business items to consider.

8. NEW BUSINESS:

Item 8.A: Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) Formal Public Hearing Notice

(6:03 pm)

General Manager Coyan introduced the item and presented the staff report.

LAFCo Representative José Henríquez spoke to the process of this agenda item, the matters relating to the matter, and the notice sent to the District.

A lengthy discussion amongst the Board, staff, and LAFCo ensued.

Vice President Dolk called for public comment.

Trish Harrington provided general comments regarding the presentation.

Carol Rose provided general comments regarding the presentation.

Carol Allen provided general comments regarding the presentation.

Diane Graves provided general comments regarding the presentation.

Peggy provided general comments regarding the presentation.

Debra Smithee provided general comments regarding the presentation.

Marci provided general comments regarding the presentation.

Written testimony received from Ryan Saunders was read into the record.

Seeing no further comments, Vice President Dolk closed public comment.

Director Ross made a motion directing staff to initiate discussion with Sacramento Suburban Water District. The motion was seconded by Director Pratt. The motion was approved on a 3 Yes/1 No (Matteoli)/1 Vacancy vote.

Director Pratt made a motion directing staff to resume the mutual aid agreement with Sacramento Suburban Water District. The motion was seconded by Director Ross. The motion was approved on a 4 Yes/0 No/1 Vacancy vote.

9. FIELD REPORT: Verbal report

There were no Field Report items to report.

10. DIRECTOR REPORT ON COMMITTEE MEETINGS: Verbal report
Each Board Member will have 5 minutes to report out on all associated committees

There were no Director Report on Committee Meetings items to report.

11. GENERAL MANAGERS COMMENTS: Verbal report

There were no General Manager's Comments.

12. CLOSED SESSION:

There were no Closed Session items to consider.

13. DIRECTORS COMMENTS: Verbal information, non-action comments.

There were no Director's Comments reported.

14. FUTURE AGENDA REQUESTS: Directors can suggest topics they would like on future agendas

There were no Future Agenda Requests to consider.

15. ADJOURNMENT: Next Regular Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for March 05, 2024

Director Pratt made a motion to adjourn. Director Ross seconded the motion. There being no further business, the Board of Directors meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

APPROVAL:

ATTEST:



Carl Dolk, Vice President of the Board



Norma I. Alley, MMC, Clerk of the Board

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@ 10:44 am.

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April 16, 2024

Greetings Del Paso Manor Board of Directors,

My name is Ryan Saunders. I am a former Board member, resigned February 2024 for personal reasons. I am submitting this letter as public comment relative to the Sacramento LAFCo Formal Public Hearing Notice (Agenda Item 8A).

I am in support of reinstating the 2x2 committee with Sacramento Suburban Water District (SSWD), with the ultimate goal of dissolving DPMWD and being annexed by SSWD.

As a Board and District Staff, we tried very valiantly to right the ship and make the right decisions on behalf of our rate payers. However, the shot clock has run out and the game is over. There is simply too much that needs to be completed from an infrastructure perspective in too short of a time frame to bring the District into compliance. And the cost that would be borne by such a small population of rate payers not reasonable.

These wheels were set in motion decades ago when prior Boards, since the inception of the District, were derelict in their duties and did not set aside funds for capital infrastructure replacement nor a rate structure to support such programs. The District has been attempting to play catch up ever since the 30 year Master Plan was formulated in 2009. Unfortunately, time, politics, and inflationary pressures have not been on our side.

The District has an opportunity to unlock significant funding, as outlined by the LAFCo Hearing Notice, that would otherwise be unavailable. It would be irresponsible to forgo this opportunity for the sake of remaining independent. My only regret is that this information is coming to light now, as opposed to when our previous 2x2 meetings with SSWD were being held 12+ months ago.

In summary, I am in support of reinstating the 2x2 committee with SSWD, assuming they are a willing partner, and to push towards the dissolution of this district to set up an annexation by SSWD.

Best regards,

Ryan Saunders