



**MINUTES
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
OF THE SANTA FE IRRIGATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

March 28, 2023
Santa Fe Irrigation District
5920 Linea del Cielo
Rancho Santa Fe, CA 92067

ROLL CALL - CALL MEETING TO ORDER

President Hogan called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: President Michael Hogan, Vice President Dana Frieauf, Directors Sandra Johnson, Ron Magnaghi, and Andy Menshek were present.

STAFF AND OTHERS PRESENT: General Manager Albert Lau, Board Secretary Celina McDowell, Administrative Services Manager Seth Gates, Public Communications Officer Teresa Penunuri, Special Counsel Lutfi Kharuf, Best Best & Krieger, and members of the public were present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Hogan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEMS TO BE ADDED TO THE AGENDA – None

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Ms. Holly Manion addressed the Board asking to consider water strategy.

PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS - None

ACTION AGENDA

CONSENT ITEMS

1. Cast the District Ballot for 2023 LAFCO Regular and Alternate Special District Member

Upon a motion by Vice President Friehauf and seconded by Director Menshek, the Board unanimously adopted the Consent Calendar. Roll call vote was taken as follows:

Ayes: Friehauf, Johnson, Magnaghi, Menshck, and Hogan
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

ACTION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

2. Public Hearing on the 2023 Water Rate Proposal

GM Lau introduced the item and ASM Gates utilized a PowerPoint presentation and provided the process and timeline for Cost-of-Service and responded to questions from the Board.

President Hogan and Special Counsel Kharuf provided information regarding the Public Hearing and instructions on the format of meeting.

Public Communications Officer Penunuri read a written comment received from Ms. Marlene King, Fairbanks Ranch.

Members of the public, Mr. Paul Seitz, and Mr. Rory Kendall provided their comments.

President Hogan called for a recess at 9:01 a.m.

President Hogan reconvened the meeting at 9:10 a.m.

Board Secretary McDowell reported that there are 521 written protests received. However, the validity of the protest forms received were not checked.

Each of the Board members also provided comments.

3. Adopt Resolution No. 23-07, Modifying the District's Rates for Potable and Recycled Service Charges

After a discussion and statement from each Board member, a motion was made by Vice President Friehauf, seconded by Director Menshek, to adopt Resolution No. 23-07. Roll call vote was taken as follows:

Ayes: Friehauf, Magnaghi, Menshek, and Hogan
Noes: Johnson
Abstain: None
Absent: None

The Board thanked the staff for the efforts and members of the public who took their time to attend the Public Hearing and expressed their concerns.

CLOSED SESSION

4. Conference with Legal Counsel - Initiation of Litigation
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(4)
Two (2) potential cases
5. Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation
Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(2)
One (1) potential case

President Hogan adjourned the meeting into Closed Session at 9:38 a.m.

President Hogan reconvened the meeting into Open Session at 10:50 a.m.

Special Counsel Kharuf reported one reportable action taken in Closed Session and the Board instructed BB&K to proceed with initial litigation.

ADJOURNMENT

President Hogan adjourned the meeting at 10:51 a.m.



Michael F. Hogan
Board President



Albert C. Lau
Board Secretary/Treasurer

