

Ballico Cortez Water District

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Directors Ballico Cortez Water District Wednesday, April 21, 2021

Chairman Dirk Ulrich called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m. via conference call due to COVID-19 and shelter in place orders. California State Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20, signed March 4, 2020 allows local and state legislative bodies to hold meetings via teleconference and to make meetings accessible electronically during the pandemic. Once the governor's shelter in place orders have been lifted the board will go back to regular meetings at the Cortez Hall, 12937 North Cortez Avenue, Turlock, CA.

Present Directors: **Roll Call** Jay Fiorini, Taj Samran (left at 10:10 am), Scott Severson, Dirk Ulrich, and Dennis Yotsuya

Others Present: Karen Whipp, Board Secretary

ITEM 2 There were no public comments.

ITEM 3 It was moved by Dennis Yotsuya, seconded by Scott Severson, and **carried unanimously** to approve the minutes of the October 21, 2020 board meeting. **Roll Call Vote:** **Jay Fiorini - Yes, Taj Samran -Yes, Scott Severson - Yes, Dirk Ulrich - Yes, and Dennis Yotsuya – Yes.**

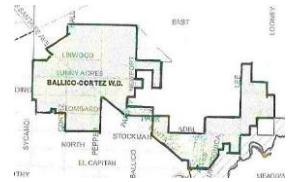
ITEM 4 It was moved by Dennis Yotsuya, seconded by Jay Fiorini, and **carried unanimously** to pay the bills as presented (*KL Whipp and Co., and Merced County Assessor's Office for Parcel Index*) and accept the financial report as presented by Dennis Yotsuya. **Roll Call Vote:** **Jay Fiorini - Yes, Taj Samran -Yes, Scott Severson - Yes, Dirk Ulrich - Yes, and Dennis Yotsuya – Yes.**

ITEM 5 It was moved by Taj Samran, seconded by, Dennis Yotsuya, and **carried unanimously** to amend the attorney line-item budget from \$1,500 to \$2,500. **Roll Call Vote:** **Jay Fiorini - Yes, Taj Samran -Yes, Scott Severson - Yes, Dirk Ulrich - Yes, and Dennis Yotsuya – Yes.**

ITEM 6 The board secretary reported on the upcoming board terms and possible elections. **For information only.**

ITEM 7 Old Business: *10:10 a. m. board member Taj Samran left the meeting.*

- a. There was an update on the Ad Hoc Project Planning Committee. Some of the members rode around the district with John Lambie from EPUR and Kevin Kauffman from Eastside Water District.
- b. The board secretary gave a brief update on the annexation forms she is researching and completing with the help of Jay Fiorini and Scott Severson.



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- c. Regarding GSA updates:
 - The board secretary gave an update on the upcoming Prop 218 public hearings for April 15 and June 10.
 - Dennis Yotsuya gave an update on GRAT
- d. Regarding SGMA: there were no updates.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:32 a.m.

I hereby certify that this is a full and correct copy of the minutes of the Board of Directors of the Ballico Cortez Water District of Merced County, California.

April 17, 2021

Karen Whipp

KAREN L. WHIPP
BALILICO CORTEZ WATER DISTRICT BOARD CLERK