



SPECIAL MEETING

OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**Chino Basin Water Conservation District
4594 San Bernardino Street
Montclair, CA 91763**

Wednesday, January 18, 2023

MINUTES

INVOCATION – President Ligtenberg gave the invocation.

CALL TO ORDER – President Ligtenberg called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Board Members Present: President Mark Ligtenberg
Vice President Kati Parker
Treasurer Gil Aldaco
Division 3 – Vacant
Director Teri Layton
Director Hanif Gulmahamad
Director Ryan Sonnenberg

Board Members Absent: None

General Counsel Present: Leland McElhaney, Esq.

Staff Present: General Manager Elizabeth Skrzat
Board Clerk/Administrative Coordinator Dena Lamarque
Community Programs Educator Monica Curiel
Administrative Assistant II Judith Taylor

Guests Present: Sandra Rose, MVWD
Randi Campbell
Pastor Donald Rucker
Francisco Cruz
Amanda Coker
Ed Silva

ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO THE AGENDA – None.

PRESENTATIONS – None.

CONSENT CALENDAR – None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS – None.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS – None.

President Ligtenberg opened the Public Comment Period. No requests to speak were received, therefore, President Ligtenberg closed the Public Comment Period.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Board Vacancy – Interviews and Appointment for Board Division 3

General Manager Elizabeth Skrzat presented the staff report. She reported that the District received five applications from Randi Campbell, Francisco Cruz, Pastor Donald Rucker, Ed Silva, and Amanda Coker. At this time, General Manager Skrzat ceded the floor to the members of the board to begin interviews.

The Members of the Board and Counsel asked prepared questions and began interviews of the five candidates.

President Ligtenberg called for a recess at 7:50 pm. President Ligtenberg reconvened the meeting at 7:57 pm.

Interviews concluded and the Board discussed the candidates.

Counsel McElhaney stated he was impressed with all the applicants.

Director Aldaco asked if this appointment was for a 2-year term or a 4-year term.

General Manager Skrzat responded that it was being discussed with Counsel. Based on the circumstances of the vacancy, with it occurring within the first two years of the four-year term, the appointment would be for a 2-years , then there would be another election at the next general election at the midpoint of the term, and again at the conclusion of the term in four years.

Vice President Parker asked Counsel McElhaney if it was a rule that an appointment could not be made for 4-years due to the circumstances of the vacancy, and because elections are very costly. Division 3 elections would be in 2022 and 2026.

Counsel McElhaney stated that he will recheck and get back to the Board.

Director Gulmahamad thanked all applicants for their involvement and asked that they stay involved with the District in some way.

Counsel McElhaney stated he enjoyed meeting everyone and that any one of them would be a tremendous asset to the District.

Vice President Parker thanked the applicants and hoped that they remain involved with the District.

President Ligtenberg asked for a nomination for District 2 Director.

Director Gulmahamad made a motion, seconded by President Parker, and carried on the following vote:

Motion carried on 6-0-0-0 vote to appoint Amanda Coker as the Board Member representing Division 3 of the Chino Basin Water Conservation District, which had been vacated on November 23, 2022.

MOVED: Gulmahamad SECONDED: Parker APPROVED: 6-0-0-0

AYES: Ligtenberg, Parker, Aldaco, Layton, Gulmahamad, Sonnenberg

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

OATH OF OFFICE CEREMONY

General Manager Skrzat conducted the Oath of Office Ceremony to newly appointed Director Amanda Coker.

ADJOURN

President Ligtenberg adjourned the meeting to the next Regular Board Meeting of the Chino Basin Water Conservation District to be held on Monday, February 13, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. at District Headquarters, located at 4594 San Bernardino Street, Montclair, CA 91763.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 pm.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 13th DAY OF February 2023.


Elizabeth Skrzat, General Manager

ATTEST:


Dena Y. Lamacque, Board Clerk/Administrative Coordinator