

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING  
OF THE GOLETA WEST SANITARY DISTRICT  
UCSB CAMPUS, PARKING LOT 32, SANTA BARBARA, CALIFORNIA  
August 28, 2007**

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Meyer called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Dave Bearman, M.D.  
Craig Geyer  
Dr. David C. Lewis  
Gary L. McFarland  
Larry D. Meyer

**STAFF PRESENT**

Diane P. Powers, Secretary; Mr. Mark Nation, General Manager/Superintendent; Mr. Steven A. Amerikaner, General Counsel

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Mr. George W. Emerson and Mr. Elbert W. Trantow, Directors, Goleta Sanitary District

**APPROVE THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA**

**X-Agenda Item**

Mr. Mark Nation explained that the District had received a Legislative Alert from CSDA concerning SB 619 (Migden) that morning. He reported that the bill will be heard on the Assembly Floor on Thursday thus necessitating Board action this evening.

(07-08-57)

Upon a motion by Director McFarland, seconded by Director Lewis the Board unanimously approved to add SB 619 (Migden) to the agenda as an X-agenda item under business.

**MINUTES**

(07-08-58)

Upon a motion by Director Geyer, seconded by Director Lewis the Board approved (Director McFarland abstained) the minutes of the regular meeting of August 7, 2007 as written.

**PUBLIC INPUT**

There was no public input presented at this time.

## **BUSINESS**

### **1) X-Agenda item: Discussion of SB 619 (Migden)**

(07-08-59)

Upon a motion by Director Geyer, seconded by Director Lewis the Board unanimously approved to direct staff to prepare a letter to the District's Assembly Member requesting his opposition to Senate Bill 619 (Migden), relating to limits on payment retention for public section construction projects. A copy of the letter will also be sent to CSDA.

### **2) Consideration to award Switchboard Component Replacement Project to EPC Electric**

Mr. Mark Nation provided a brief background of the project.

(07-08-60)

Upon a motion by Director Geyer, seconded by Director McFarland the Board unanimously approved to award the Switchboard Component Replacement Project to EPC Electric for an amount not-to-exceed \$59,749.

### **3) CSDA Board of Directors Election 2007 – Region Five; Seat B**

(07-08-61)

Upon a motion by Director Bearman, seconded by Director Lewis the Board unanimously approved to elect Mr. John Fox as representative to the CSDA Board of Directors for Region 5, Seat B.

### **4) Further discussion of treating Directors as employees for payroll purposes**

Mr. Mark Nation informed the Board that this topic had been discussed at prior Board meetings. He added that staff had provided a summary of employee benefits. Director McFarland commented that if Directors are treated as employees for tax purposes that they should also be entitled to some benefits. Both Director McFarland and Director Geyer requested that this issue be addressed at a future Board Meeting.

(07-08-62)

Upon a motion by Director Geyer, seconded by Director Bearman the Board passed (Ayes: Bearman, Geyer, Lewis; Noes: Meyer, McFarland) that District Directors be treated as employees for tax purposes.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

The communications were noted as received.

## **REPORTS**

### **Operating Report**

Staff provided a written report to the Board, which has been made a part of these minutes.

Mr. Mark Nation provided a brief review of said report.

**Engineering Committee**

Director McFarland remarked that the topic of the Engineering Committee was discussed earlier on the agenda.

**Management Committee Meeting**

Director Geyer provided a report.

**Goleta Sanitary District Board Meeting**

President Meyer reported on the August 20, 2007 Goleta Sanitary District Board Meeting.

**City of Goleta Council Meeting**

There was no report presented at this time.

**Goleta Water District Board Meeting**

There was no report presented at this time.

**Special Districts Association**

President Meyer provided a report.

**ADJOURNMENT**

(07-08-63)

Upon a motion by Director McFarland, seconded by Director Lewis the Board unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 8:23 p.m.

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Diane P. Powers, Secretary

**APPROVED**

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Larry D. Meyer, President