

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
GEORGETOWN DIVIDE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS
6425 MAIN STREET, GEORGETOWN, CALIFORNIA 95634

THURSDAY, APRIL 22, 2021
4:00 P.M.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Michael Saunders, President
Mitch MacDonald, Vice President
Mike Thornbrough, Treasurer
Donna Seaman, Director
Gerry Stewart, Director

MISSION STATEMENT

It is the purpose of the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District to:

- Provide reliable water supplies.
 - Ensure high quality drinking water.
 - Promote stewardship to protect community resources, public health, and quality of life.
 - Provide excellent and responsive customer services through dedicated and valued staff.
 - Ensure fiscal responsibility and accountability are observed by balancing immediate and long-term needs.
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1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Saunders called the meeting to order at 4:17 PM.

PRESENT: THORNBROUGH, SEAMAN, STEWART, SAUNDERS

ABSENT: MACDONALD (Director MacDonald was attempting to join in the zoom meeting.)

ALSO PRESENT: General Manager Jeff Nelson, Legal Counsel Barbara Brenner, Recruitment Consultant Heather Renschler

Director Stewart led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motioned by Director Seaman to adopt the agenda. Second by Director Stewart.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: THORNBROUGH, SEAMAN, STEWART, SAUNDERS

ABSENT: MACDONALD

The motion passed.

- 3. PUBLIC FORUM** – Any member of the public may address the Board on any matter within the jurisdictional authority of the District. Public members desiring to provide comments, must be recognized by the Board President, and speak from the podium. Comments must be directed only to the Board. The public should address the Board members during the public meetings as President, Vice President, or Director, followed by the Board member’s individual last name. No disruptive conduct shall be permitted at any Board meeting. Persistence in disruptive conduct shall be grounds for summary termination, by the President, of that person's privilege of address. Comments shall be limited to three minutes per person, or such other time limit as may be imposed by the President, to enable the Board to complete its agenda within a reasonable period of time.

Steven Dowd asked how long the closed session is anticipated to last and Director Saunders indicated he did not know but hoped it could conclude before 6 PM.

ANNOUNCE CLOSED SESSION AND ADJOURN OPEN SESSION TO CLOSED SESSION

Director Saunders announced the closed session agenda items. Director MacDonald joined in the zoom meeting at this point.

The Board adjourned to closed at 4:25 PM.

4. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION – CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL

A. Public Employment (Gov. Code, § 54957)

Title: General Manager

B. Threat to Public Services or Public Facilities (Gov. Code, § 54957)

Consultation With: Jeff Nelson, General Manager

Will continue to work with JPIA.

ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION AND OPEN REGULAR SESSION

REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

The Board returned to open session at 5:57 PM. Director Saunders reported out the following:

Agenda Item A: *The Board will continue to work with the consultant on the General Manager recruitment.*

Agenda Item B: *The Board will continue to work with ACWA/JPIA (Association of California Water Agencies/Joint Powers Insurance Authority), the District’s insurance authority, on requirements for the reopening of the District Office after the COVID restrictions are lifted.*

Director Saunders also announced that the Board will have a Special Meeting on Tuesday, April 27, at 4 PM with the consultant for the General Manager recruitment, and will try to have a meeting on Thursday, April 29 at 4PM.

5. **NEXT MEETING DATE AND ADJOURNMENT** – Next Meeting is a Special Meeting on April 27, 2021, at 4 PM.

MOTIONED BY DIRECTOR STEWART TO ADJOURN. SECONDED BY DIRECTOR MACDONALD.

The motion passed by acclamation.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:02 PM.

Handwritten signature of Jeff Nelson in cursive script, followed by a horizontal line.

May 4, 2021

Jeff Nelson, PE, Interim General Manager

Date