



**SOUTH COUNTY REGIONAL
WASTEWATER AUTHORITY**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING MINUTES**

MAY 4, 2022

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CHAIR:
Rene Spring, Morgan Hill

VICE CHAIR:
Fred M. Tovar, M.Ed., Gilroy

BOARD MEMBERS:
Marie Blankley, Gilroy
Dion Bracco, Gilroy
John McKay, Morgan Hill

SECRETARY:
Saeid Vaziry, P.E.

SCRWA MANAGER:
Jimmy Forbis, Gilroy

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rene Spring
Fred Tovar
Marie Blankley
Dion Bracco
John McKay

STAFF PRESENT:

Gilroy
Jimmy Forbis
Daryl Jordan
Harjot Sangha
Saeid Vaziry

Morgan Hill
Chris Ghione
Dat Nguyen
James Sylvain

VALLEY WATER:

Richard Santos
Kirsten Struve
David Tucker

I. Call to Order

Chairman Spring called the meeting to order at 8:00 A.M.

He announced that all Board Members are participating remotely pursuant to the Governor’s Executive Order Number N-29-20 in order to minimize the spread of the COVID 19 virus. This meeting is being conducted live via Webex. Public comments can be submitted throughout the meeting by emailing gina.bonnell@jacobs.com. Comments must be received before he closes the public comment portion for each item. The Deputy Secretary will read the first 3 minutes of each comment into the record.

- A. Certification of Posting of the Agenda
Gina Bonnell reported the agenda was posted on April 26, 2022 @ 1:34 PM.
- B. Roll Call
All Board Members were present

II. New Business

- A. Adoption by Roll Call Vote of Resolution 2022-03 in Consideration of Continuation of Resolution 2022-01 Authorizing Virtual Meetings for Thirty Days Pursuant to Section 54953 of the Brown Act for SCRWA Board
Motion to Adopt Resolution 2022-03 authorizing the continuation of virtual meetings for thirty days pursuant to Section 54953 of the Brown Act for SCRWA Board moved by Director Blankley, seconded by Vice Chairman Tovar.
Ayes: Spring, Tovar, Blankley, Bracco, McKay
Nays 0, Abstain: 0
Vote: Motion Carried
- B. Adoption by Roll Call Vote of Resolution 2022-02 approving the update to SCRWA’s Conflict of Interest Code Pursuant to the Political Reform Act
Motion to Adopt Resolution 2022-02 approving the update to SCRWA’s Conflict of Interest Code Pursuant to the Political Reform Act moved by Director McKay, seconded by Director Blankley.
Ayes: Spring, Tovar, Blankley, Bracco, McKay
Nays 0, Abstain: 0
Vote: Motion Carried
- C. Saeid Vaziry informed the Board that a new reporter from a local media outlet contacted him about

doing a story on the plant expansion project.

Billy Wong, Stantec presented the Capital Projects Construction Update for Plant Expansion and New Maintenance Building. Board Members asked for a tour of the maintenance building during construction.

III. Consent Calendar

- A. Approval of Minutes of the February 2, 2022, meeting

Motion to approve Consent Calendar moved by Director Blankley, seconded by Director McKay.

Ayes: Spring, Tovar, Blankley, Bracco, McKay

Nays 0, Abstain: 0

Vote: Motion Carried

IV. Presentation by Members of the Public on items not on the Agenda

None

V. Bids and Proposals

None

VI. Old Business

None

VII. Communications

- A. Harjot Sangha, City of Gilroy, reviewed the Cash and Investment Report as of December 31, 2021. He answered a Board Member question.
- B. Saied Vaziry announced that SCRWA had received top awards given by The Environmental Association.

VIII. Reports

- A. Jacobs

1. Wastewater Acronyms
2. Plant Reports – January, February, and March 2022
3. Recap of Expenses – January, February, and March 2022
4. Septage Report – January, February, and March 2022

Chris Vasquez talked about coordinating with the construction contractors to minimize impact to the facility and the treatment process. He reported on staff's community involvement activities. Jacobs reports were reviewed with comments. A question was answered from Board Member McKay and noted that a report could be provided with more detail.

- B. Valley Water – Director Santos was in attendance as well as two staff members, Tucker and Struve. **Director Santos reported on the legislative conference directed toward water conservation.**

- C. Stantec

Billy Wong reviewed the Engineering Projects Report – May 2022.

- D. SCRWA Manager

Jimmy Forbis reminded the Board that Mayor Blankley conducts monthly “Coffee with the Mayor” gatherings with this month featuring Saied Vaziry.

- E. SCRWA Attorney

Andy Faber reminded the Board Members of all the years of litigation and noted the satisfaction of the awards that the plant receives.

- F. Board Members

Chairman Spring noted that he would not be available for a June meeting.

Director Blankley noted “Coffee with the Mayor” would be highlighting SCRWA and to share the invitation to residents of Morgan Hill as well.

Adjourn

Chairman Spring adjourned the meeting at 8:40 A.M.

G. Bonnell

Gina Bonnell, Deputy Secretary of the Board
South County Regional Wastewater Authority