

**WESTERN HILLS WATER DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE special MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

January 15, 2020

1. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Western Hills Water District was called to Order in regular session by Director/Treasurer C. Kearney at 9501 Morton Davis Drive, Patterson, CA, at 4:00 PM.

2. Roll Call

Present were: Director/Treasurer Carmen Kearney, Director Barry Ivy, Director M. Manning, General Manager Jerry Phillips & Secretary Tracy Taylor and via teleconference, President G. Marrero & Assistant General Counsel David Hobbs; Six members of the public attended.

3. Consent Calendar

The Minutes for the December 11, 2019 meeting were reviewed and unanimously approved, upon motion by Director C. Kearney and seconded by President G. Marrero. The Checks & Warrants for the month of December 2019 were reviewed and unanimously approved upon motion by Director C. Kearney and seconded by Director M. Manning

4. Written Communications:

None

5. Action Items

- a. Review and possible approve proposal from HF&H Consultants for possible water rate study. Board discussed and decided to floor this item for next meeting since the WHWD didn't have the funds to begin the study.

6. Reports by District Staff

None

7. Reports of Board Members

None.

8. Public Comment on Items not on the agenda:

There was a question from a member of the asking if the Kern County contract can be re-negotiated. Attorney David Hobbs explained to the public information about the contract, it was noted that it could cause an increase the costs of the contract.

There was a question about the new water allocation law that just passed wanting to know if Diablo Grande will be effected by this law and how it will keep track of usages. The WHWD has not been notified that Diablo Grande will be effected by this law, David will look into it and back to everyone with an answer.

9. Reports from Closed Session

Nothing to report.

10. Adjournment

Upon motion by Director G. Marrero and seconded by Director C. Kearney the meeting was adjourned into closed session at 4:13 p.m. The next meeting will be Wednesday, February 12, 2020 at 4:00pm. Meeting to be held in the WHWD business office at 9501 Morton Davis Drive, Patterson, CA 95363.

Respectfully submitted:

Secretary of the Board

Approved:

Guillermo Marrero, President