MINUTES September 17, 2024

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the North of River Sanitary District No. 1 was held at the District Office, 204 Universe Avenue, Bakersfield, California on Tuesday, September 17, 2024.

President McKibbin called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

Present:

Directors McKibbin, Kloepper, Ruettgers, Murphy, and Hooker

Absent:

None

Others Present:

District Manager Ostly and District Counsel Hughes

Others Absent:

None

President McKibbin directed that the Board move into closed session at 5:32 P.M. to conference on one item: Conference with Real Property Negotiator. All persons other than the Directors, District Manager, District Counsel, and District Consultant retired from the meeting.

Following the closed session, the meeting was again opened to the public with no reportable action at 6:25 P.M.

Director Ruettgers moved to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting on August 20, 2024. Motion seconded by Director Murphy. Motion carried.

After review of the financial reports, manager's report, and payment of the general fund warrants. Director Hooker moved to approve payment of the general fund warrants in the amount of \$322,324.84. Motion seconded by Director Murphy. Motion carried.

Manager Ostly led a discussion concerning the WWTP Expansion Project Ad Hoc Committee meeting conducted on September 6, 2024. No action was taken by the Board.

Director Ruettgers moved to approve the Daniells Phillips Vaughn & Bock proposal to provide professional services for the purpose of auditing the financial statements of the District for fiscal years: 2023-2024, 2024-2025, and 2025-2026. Motion seconded by Director Hooker. Motion carried.

Director Ruettgers moved to approve the Arrangement Letter from Daniells, Phillips, Vaughan & Bock concerning the annual financial audit for fiscal year 2023-2024. Motion seconded by Director Murphy. Motion carried.

Director Hooker moved to approve the Provost and Pritchard Consulting Group engineering proposal to prepare Contract Documents for the Lift Station #1 Forcemain Rehabilitation Project and to provide bid phase services for an amount not to exceed \$75,000 without Board approval. Motion seconded by Director Murphy. Motion carried.

Director Ruettgers moved to approve the Gresham Smith engineering proposal to provide value engineering services for the District Water Resource Recovery Facility Project design for an amount not to exceed \$50,000 without Board Approval with the Consultant agreement subject to District Counsel approval. Motion seconded by Director Hooker. 4 ayes and 1 noe (Director Kloepper). Motion carried.

Director Ruettgers moved to approve the Carollo Engineers engineering proposal to provide value engineering services for the District Water Resource Recovery Facility Project design for an amount not to exceed \$50,000 without Board Approval. Motion seconded by Director Hooker. 4 ayes and 1 noe (Director Kloepper). Motion carried.

Director Ruettgers moved to approve the AECOM engineering proposal to provide value engineering services for the District Water Resource Recovery Facility Project design for an amount not to exceed \$50,000 without Board Approval. Motion seconded by Director Hooker. 4 ayes and 1 noe (Director Kloepper). Motion carried.

Director Murphy moved to award the Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation – Package 22 Remove and Replace Project to Sierra Construction and Excavation, Inc. for a total amount of \$100,414. Motion seconded by Director Kloepper. Motion carried.

Director Ruettgers moved approve the WWTP Digester Gas Scrubber Vessel and Effluent Storage Pond Maintenance Project CEQA Notice of Exemption. Motion seconded by Director Murphy. Motion carried.

Director Kloepper moved approve the Schwing Bioset quote to provide a replacement conveyor screw for the WWTP Biosolids Dewatering Process for \$35,093.22. Motion seconded by Director Hooker. Motion carried.

President McKibbin and Manager Ostly provided a report to the Board on the 2024 California Special District Association Annual Meeting. No action was taken by the Board.

There being no further business or public comment, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 P.M.

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