

**EUGENE WATER & ELECTRIC BOARD
REGULAR SESSION**

May 2, 2023

5:30 P.M.

Commissioners Present: Sonya Carlson, President; John Barofsky, Vice President; John Brown, Matt McRae, Mindy Schlossberg, Commissioners

Others Present: Frank Lawson, General Manager; Rod Price, Assistant General Manager; Karen Kelley, Chief Operations Officer, Lisa Krentz, Generation Manager; Mark Zinniker, Generation Engineering Supervisor; Jeremy Somogye, Generation Engineering Planner, Deborah Hart, Chief Financial Officer

Call to Order

President Carlson called the Regular Session to order at 5:30 p.m.

Agenda Check

There were no changes or additions to the agenda.

Items from Board Members and General Manager

Commissioner Schlossberg said she met with the Executive Director of the Eugene Parks Foundation, who requested EWEB participation in telling the story of water at their new park.

Commissioner Brown gave his compliments to the EWEB Fleet, brought up a story about water metrics on KEZI, and mentioned the City of Eugene's EV survey.

President Carlson discussed the Santa Clara Neighborhood Association, customer luncheons, the KidWind Challenge, and the LCOG Regular Meeting. She inquired if the Board would like an LCOG briefing. There was no consensus.

Mr. Price noted that language selection was now available on the EWEB website, the bill collection cycle was being shortened, and that EWEB had won first place in the 2023 NWPPA Safety Contest.

Correspondence [8:31]

President Carlson noted that the response to the pre-meeting question regarding the Annual Reserve Fund Status included a recommendation to remove example language from the Policy. Ms. Hart said that if the Board agreed that change could be included on the consent calendar next month; head nods were given by the Board.

Mr. Price put forth the Draft Resiliency Board Policy. Commissioner McRae wanted to see some metrics.

Public Input [13:27]

Tana Shepard gave statistics regarding 4J classroom participation in climate programs.

Leaburg Decommissioning Action Plan (LDAP) Update [21:00]

Lisa Krentz, Generation Manager; Mark Zinniker, Generation Engineering Supervisor and Jeremy Somogye, Generation Engineering Planner, presented a slideshow and answered Board questions.

BOARD ACTION ITEMS

Approval of Consent Calendar – A, Minutes and Routine Contracts [32:40]

MINUTES

1.
 - a. April 4, 2023 Executive Session
 - b. April 4, 2023 Regular Session
 - c. April 18, 2023 Work Session

CONTRACTS

2. Emery and Sons – for the construction of two 0.5 million-gallon (MG) Glass-Fused-to-Steel Water Storage Tanks at EWEB’s Shasta 975 Storage Site. \$2,865,000 (one-time) based on Formal Invitation to Bid.

Action:

MOTION: Vice-President Barofsky moved to adopt Consent Calendar A. The motion passed unanimously, 5:0.

Approval of Consent Calendar – B, Non-routine Contracts and Other Consent Items [32:58]

CONTRACTS

3. Landmark Ford – for an increase in the use of a cooperative contract for Light Duty Vehicles. \$1.4 million (over 3-years 2022-2025, increased from \$0.8 million previously approved).

4. Northside Ford - for an increase in the use of a cooperative contract for Light Duty Vehicles. \$1.6 million (over 3-years 2022-2025, increased from \$0.8 million previously approved).

5. Univar Solutions – for the purchase of Liquid Caustic Soda. \$625,000 (over 5 years) based on Direct Negotiation.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT (IGA)

6. City of Eugene – for the reservation of Wetland Mitigation Credit for Purchase from Coyote Prairie North Wetland Mitigation Bank. \$258,000 based on Direct Negotiation.

RESOLUTIONS

7. Resolution No. 2309 – Water Bond Supplemental Resolution.

8. Resolution No. 2310 - Annual Price Adjustment for Joint Use Fees (Effective June 1st).

Commissioner McRae requested that Item 7 (Resolution No. 2309 – Water Bond Supplemental Resolution) be pulled.

Commissioner Brown requested that Item 6, IGA with the City of Eugene be pulled.

Action:

MOTION: Commissioner Brown moved to adopt all remaining items on Consent Calendar B as presented. The motion passed unanimously, 5:0.

Action:

MOTION: Following discussion, Commissioner Brown moved to adopt items 7 and 6 as presented. The motion passed unanimously, 5:0.

GENERAL BUSINESS ITEMS

City of Eugene Liaison Update [37:05]

Sonya Carlson, Board President and John Barofsky, Board Vice-President, presented.

Annual Strategic Plan Review [40:20]

Frank Lawson, General Manager, presented a slideshow and answered Board questions.

The decision by consensus was to bring the Annual Strategic Plan back as a Consent Agenda Item as presented.

Quarterly Strategic & Operational Report for Q1, including Major Capital Project Updates [1:00:21]

Rod Price, Assistant General Manager, and Karen Kelley, Chief Operations Officer, presented a slideshow and answered Board questions.

Performance Evaluation Process for General Manager [1:43:53]

EWEB Board of Commissioners

Commissioner Schlossberg wondered how other Boards handled the evaluation process.

Mr. Lawson offered to come back to the Board with options regarding the Evaluation Process.

Future Board Agendas [1:55:14]
May 16, 2023 Upriver Meeting Format
Rod Price, Assistant General Manager

The decision by consensus was to do introductions but not to include individual slides of the Board members.

The Board discussed the June 14th Work Session.

Board Wrap Up [2:13:19]

The Board discussed the upcoming Upriver meeting.

Adjourn [2:23:37]

President Carlson adjourned the Regular Session at 7:53 p.m.

Recorded by Angela Kern, LCOG

Assistant Secretary

President