

MINUTES OF THE ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
EAST ORANGE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

February 26, 2014

1. **Call to Order.** An Adjourned Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the East Orange County Water District was called to order by WILLIAM VANDERWERFF, President of the Board of Directors, at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 26, 2014, in the offices of the East Orange County Water District, 185 N. McPherson Road, Orange, California. JOAN ARNESON, Secretary, recorded the minutes of the meeting.

The following Directors were present: RICHARD BELL, DOUGLASS DAVERT, JOHN DULEBOHN and WILLIAM VANDERWERFF.

Also present were:

LISA OHLUND	General Manager
JOAN ARNESON	District Secretary and Legal Counsel (by telephone)
DOUGLAS CHAPMAN	Candidate for Appointment to Fill Board Vacancy
MARK DENNY	Candidate for Appointment to Fill Board Vacancy
SEYMOUR EVERETT	Candidate for Appointment to Fill Board Vacancy
MICHAEL R. MERINO	Candidate for Appointment to Fill Board Vacancy
RICHARD NELSON	Candidate for Appointment to Fill Board Vacancy
HENRY SCHNEIDER	Candidate for Appointment to Fill Board Vacancy
JOHN SEARS	Candidate for Appointment to Fill Board Vacancy
ROB HANFORD	Golden State Water Company

2. **Public Communications to the Board.** None.

3. **Items Arising After Posting of Agenda.** None.

4. **Vacancy on the Board of Directors – Candidate Forum.**

A. **Introduction.** President VANDERWERFF said that with the resignation of DICK BARRETT, accepted February 3, a vacancy exists and the Board intends to fill it by

appointment. He very briefly introduced the proposed forum process for this evening, saying that each candidate would come up in alphabetical order and have 3 minutes to address the Board about their qualifications and interests in serving on the Board, followed by any questions and discussion Board members might have.

Candidates CHAPMAN, DENNY, EVERETT, MERINO, NELSON, SCHNEIDER and SEARS addressed the Board, commenting on their backgrounds and reasons for their interest in serving on the Board. Some of the candidates presented their thoughts on various issues facing the District such as water conservation, assumption of sewer collection and maintenance services and public education. Questions presented to various candidates included time-commitments and availability to carry out Director duties; familiarity with District; and other water issues and other involvement in community activities.


B. Selection Process. President VANDERWERFF thanked the candidates for their participation and said that the selection was on the Board's agenda for the following evening's meeting, February 27. He commented that the candidates were an impressive group of individuals and that it was heart-warming to see this level of interest in serving the District. He said it will be a very difficult decision for the Board.

5. Adjournment.

ACTION TAKEN:

Upon a motion duly made, seconded and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m., to **February 27, 2014**, at 5:00 p.m., in the offices of the East Orange County Water District, 185 N. McPherson Road, Orange, California.

Respectfully submitted,



Joan C. Arneson