



CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF MUTUAL WATER COMPANIES JOINT POWERS RISK  
AND INSURANCE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY  
BOARD MEETING TUESDAY MARCH 16, 2021 - 1:30 PM - MINUTES

Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 913 8080 3663 Passcode: 487539

1. Call to Order. President Byerrum called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM.

2. Roll Call

*Present:*

Jim Byerrum (President, California Domestic Water Company)

Dave Michalko (Vice-President, Valencia Heights Water Company)

Ken Bradbury (Secretary, Montebello Land and Water Company)

*Board Directors*

Dave Armstrong (South Mesa Water Company)

Doug Nunneley (Oildale Mutual Water Company)

Ken Tchong (Sunny Slope Water Company)

Lisa Yamashita-Lopez (Rubio Cañon Land and Water Association)

*Staff*

Jim Ciampa (General Counsel)

Myra Malner (Assistant Secretary and Treasurer)

Adán Ortega (Communications Director)

Susan Allen (Managing Director)

Logan Largent (Ortega Strategies Group)

Madeline Chen

Mia Garza (Insurance Administrator)

*Members*

Steve Lenton (Bellflower Somerset Mutual Water Company)

Korey Bradbury (Montebello Land and Water Company)

*Absent:*

Dave Pedersen (Las Virgenes Municipal Water District)

Paul Fuller (Insurance Administrator)

3. Public comment: No public comment.

4. Approval of the Minutes of the CalMutuals JPRIMA Board Meeting on February 16, 2021. The Board reviewed the minutes of the February 16, 2021 Board of Directors meeting. President Byerrum noted that his affiliation continues to be with California Domestic Water Company and asked that the minutes be revised to reflect that. On a motion by Director Michalko, seconded by Director Tchong, the minutes were unanimously approved with the requested amendment.

5. President's Report

President Byerrum reminded members of the Board to file 2021 [Form 700](#) before the April 1, 2021 deadline.

President Byerrum shared an update on a Zoom meeting he and Managing Director Allen attended regarding plans by *IE Works* to develop an Operator Training and Placement program targeted to young people of color in the Inland Empire. The Board gave its approval to continue to explore potential partnership with the program by CalMutuals JPRIMA. Director Armstrong expressed interested in partnering in the follow up with *IE Works*.

6. Consideration and Possible Approval of Allied Public Risk Insurance Renewal Quote.

Treasurer Malner reviewed the quote for renewal of insurance through Allied Public Risk provided in the Board meeting packet. On a motion by Director Michalko, seconded by Director Nunneley the Board unanimously approved moving forward with insurance renewal as proposed.

7. Consideration and Approval of Demand Sheet.

Treasurer Malner reviewed the Demand Sheet provide in the Board meeting packet. She highlighted that the demands include payment of dividends to eligible members/insureds and noted that we are awaiting a check from The Zenith Insurance Company for the dividend payments.

President Byerrum clarified that the dividend is paid through a rate stabilization fund and Cal Mutuals JPRIMA has option to retain or pass on to members/insured. The program was designed to allow members the upside of enjoying some return premium when underwriting losses meet or exceed a pre-agreed loss ratio and to remove any downside should there be a particularly adverse year where losses exceed premium contributions. This year's 5% return reflects the favorable experience of the program overall. President Byerrum noted that CalMutuals JPRIMA is atypical in offering a rebate for each of our program years.

On a motion by Director Nunneley, seconded by Director Tcheng, the Demand Sheet was unanimously approved.

8. Financial Report. Treasurer Malner provided an overview of the financial report included in the Board meeting packet, which reflects two months of operation in the current calendar year. On a motion by Director Armstrong, seconded by Director Tcheng, the financial report was unanimously received and filed as submitted.

9. Insurance Administrator's Report.

Insurance Administrator Garza reviewed the Insurance Report included in the Board meeting packet. She highlighted that quotes to date exceed estimates by \$1 Million. She further shared that the insurance team is in active consultation with potential new insureds to include Pollution insurance for some of our larger insureds. Target accounts are included in Insurance Report.

10. General Counsel's Report. General Counsel Ciampa reported that he and Insurance Administrator Garza have successfully navigated challenges with the DMV regarding verification of insurance. He noted that working through the challenges has been a multi-year process. President Byerrum extended his thanks and congratulations.
11. Resources/Education Report. Managing Director Allen reviewed the Resources and Education Report in the Board meeting packet. This month's report includes a report from the Zenith Insurance Company of Solutions Center access and uses. She highlighted that we have received a number of inquiries from Real Estate agents recently with questions about how to address water supply issues in connection with the sale of properties that rely on mutual water companies for water service. Jim Ciampa has drafted a Fact Sheet to provide guidance. Director Michalko additionally offered to share communications for real estate agents and escrow companies that have been developed by Valencia Heights Water Company.
12. Communications Report. Communications Director Ortega advised the Board that Maywood Mutual Water Company #1 is looking for a bi-lingual Operator and encouraged Board members to refer qualified candidates.
13. Director Comments. No Director's comments.
14. Adjournment. President Byerrum adjourned the meeting at 2:10 PM.

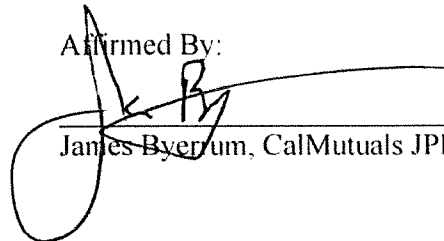
Agenda Posted: March 11, 2021

SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE:

I certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes approved by the Board of Directors.

  
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 Kenneth Bradbury, CalMutuals JPRIMA Secretary

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Affirmed By:  
  
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 James Byerrum, CalMutuals JPRIMA President

MAY 10, 2021  
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