

CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF MUTUAL WATER COMPANIES JOINT POWERS RISK AND INSURANCE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING - MINTUES TUESDAY MAY 18, 2021 - 1:30 PM

1. <u>Call to Order</u>. President Byerrum called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM.

2. Roll Call.

Present:

Jim Byerrum (President, California Domestic

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 Tcheng (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)

Tim Worley (Ortega Strategies

Group)

Logan Largent (Ortega Strategies

Group)

Paul Fuller (Insurance Administrator)

Mia Garza (Insurance Administrator)

Members

Steve Lenton (Bellflower Somerset

Mutual Water Company)

Absent:

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

Dave Pedersen (Las Virgenes Municipal Water District)

- 3. Public comment. No public comment.
- 4. <u>Approval of the Minutes of the CalMutuals JPRIMA Board Meeting on April 20, 2021</u>. On a motion by Secretary Bradbury, seconded by Director Armstrong the minutes of the April 20, 2021 CalMutuals JPRIMA Board of Directors meeting were unanimously approved.
- 5. <u>President's Report</u>. President Byerrum advised the Board of Mia Garza's resignation from Allied Public Risk, effective July 1, 2021. Mia will provide assistance on a contract basis during the transition. President Byerrum thanked Mia for her contributions to CalMutuals JPRIMA over the years and noted that we are "losing a rock star."
- 6. <u>Consideration and Approval of Demand Sheet</u>. Treasurer Malner reviewed the demand sheet included in the Board meeting packet. On a motion by Director Yamashita-Lopez, seconded by President Byerrum the demand sheet was unanimously approved.

7. <u>Financial Report</u>. Treasurer Malner reviewed the budget and cash flow report included in the Board meeting packet. She noted that activity in the month of April has been limited. On a motion by Director Yamashita-Lopez, seconded by Director Armstrong the financial report was received and filed as submitted.

Managing Director Allen updated the Board on plans to address failure to pay 2021 CalMutuals membership dues by five members/insureds. The insurance team has flagged the members and will require payment of past and current dues as condition of renewal for 2022.

- 8. <u>Insurance Administrator's Report</u>. Insurance Administrator Fuller advised the Board of our good fortune to onboard Bighorn Desert View Water Agency and Orland Water Users Association as new members/insureds. He further advised the Board of continued review by the insurance team of a group of SDRMA accounts pending renewal on July 1.
 - a. Update on efforts to explore expanded Cyber Security coverage.

 Encouraged by Director Michalko, Insurance Administrator Fuller has engaged in efforts to expand cyber security coverage available through CalMutuals JPRIMA. The insurance team has launched a survey of current members/insureds in order to secure needed background details to clarify needs and inform pricing.

He is working with Lloyds of London, the largest cyber security insurance provider, and exploring a product that includes a managed service provider and patching for small systems that do not have robust security in place. This approach will facilitate competitive pricing. The product will support regulatory compliance, mitigation of ransomware attacks, comprehensive and relevant social engineering, crisis communication and data forensics. The insurance will require enrollment with a managed service provider or proof of comparable management infrastructure and having prudent cyber security tools in place.

President Byerrum asked the Board to consider funding enrollment in the expanded Cyber Security program for a pilot group.

The insurance team and the CalMutuals JPRIMA staff will be on the alert for potential grant opportunities to support the cost of Cyber Security insurance and assistance for small systems with limited resources. Communications Director Ortega cautioned that many grants do not permit sole sourcing and encouraged that we ask the vendors who will be providing services to play a role as sponsors.

Insurance Administrator Garza reviewed the insurance report included in the Board meeting packet and noted that 100% of our Worker's Compensation insureds renewed their policies with us.

- 9. General Counsel's Report. General Counsel Ciampa asked the Board for their feedback regarding the extent of information any of their companies or districts had received concerning cyber security issues in the course of completing the required risk resilience assessments under the America's Water Infrastructure Act. Director Nunneley reported that Oildale Mutual Water Company engages a provider to address needed service. Director Yamashita-Lopez shared that Rubio Canon Land and Water's IT staff addressed a number of items and noted that she will have additional feedback in the coming weeks.
- 10. <u>Consideration and Possible Approval of Resolution No. 05-2021-1 Setting Forth Policy Regarding Member Withdrawal from Workers Compensation Program.</u> General Counsel Ciampa reviewed the draft resolution included in the Board meeting packet. The resolution would permit a member who wishes to withdraw from Authority's Workers Compensation program to do so with approval from the Board, in the manner allowed under the Authority's Joint Powers Agreement. On a motion by Director Nunneley, seconded by Secretary Bradbury all Board members present voted to approve the resolution by roll call vote.
- 11. <u>Resources/Education Report.</u> Managing Director Allen reviewed the Resources and Education Report included in the Board meeting packet. She highlighted recent requests for assistance from small system members in developing Policy and Procedure Manuals and requests for help in identifying potential candidates for open Operator positions.
- 12. Communications Report. Communications Director Ortega advised the Board that CalMutuals and CalMutuals JPRIMA are increasing becoming the point of reference for "all things small systems." We are on the call list for the Governor's drought notifications and were recently contacted by RCAC leadership with a request for assistance in helping a system in Santa Cruz County regarding how to form a mutual water company and by the Council for Environmental Justice for troubleshooting with a mutual water company that has ignored the Governor's Executive Order Regarding shut-offs.
- 13. Director Comments. No Director's comments.
- 14. Adjournment. President Byerrum adjourned the meeting at 2:09 PM.

Agenda Posted: May 14, 2021

SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE:

I certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minu	tes approved by the Board of
Directors.	
Kenneth Bradbury, CalMutuals JPRIMA Secretary	8/16/21 Date
Affirmed By: Towns Program ColMutuals IPPIMA President	July 21, 2021