#### RECORD OF PROCEEDING

# SOUTHEASTERN COLORADO WATER ACTIVITY ENTERPRISE

#### **MINUTES**

#### **December 7, 2017**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southeastern Colorado Water Activity Enterprise (Enterprise) was held on Thursday, December 7, 2017 at 11:12 a.m., at the District office, 31717 United Avenue, Pueblo, Colorado.

President Long announced a quorum was present.

# **DIRECTORS PRESENT:**

Bill Long	Curtis Mitchell	Ann Nichols
Gibson Hazard	Kevin Karney	Tom Goodwin
Howard "Bub" Miller	Dallas May	Greg Felt
Seth Clayton	Alan Hamel	

#### **DIRECTOR(S) ABSENT AND EXCUSED:**

Carl McClure and Mark Pifher

#### **ENTERPRISE OFFICIALS PRESENT:**

Executive Director James Broderick; General Counsel Lee Miller; Administrative Manager Toni Gonzales; Water Resources Engineer Garrett Markus; Issues Management Program Coordinator Chris Woodka; Finance Manager Leann Noga; and Federal Lobbyist Christine Arbogast.

#### **VISITORS PRESENT:**

Judy Leonard, Pueblo West Metropolitan District; Brenda May; and Marcheta Goodwin.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

President Long said the minutes of the November 9, 2017 Board meeting were posted to the Board website for review, and asked if there were any corrections or additions. Hearing none, Mr. Goodwin moved, seconded by Mr. Howard "Bub" Miller, to approve the minutes. Motion unanimously carried.

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT:

None

### **CONSENT ITEMS:**

None

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# **PRESENTATIONS:**

# FEDERAL LEGISLATION

Christine Arbogast reported Congress is looking to pass a new Continuing Resolution before the current one runs out on December 8, this extension to run through December 22 or maybe longer. The eventual plan is to pass an omnibus appropriations bill for FY '18.

In the meantime, at year's end, the Senate has begun to clear some political appointments, including Brenda Burman to be the first woman Commissioner of Reclamation. Acting Commissioner Alan Mikkelson plans to relocate to Colorado and work as deputy commissioner from the BOR technical services center in Denver.

The Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee is also holding a hearing this week on the nomination of Tim Petty to be the Assistant Secretary for Water and Science. He currently works for Senator Risch of Idaho and is very familiar with Western water issues.

#### **ACTION ITEMS:**

# 2018 PROPOSED BUDGET AND RESOLUTION APPROVAL

Leann Noga reported the Board received the 2018 Proposed Budget on October 13, 2017. The 2018 Proposed Budget was presented to the Board of Directors and the general public at the November 19, 2017 Public Hearing.

Since the November Public Hearing, staff has removed one revenue and matching expenditure in the amount of \$105,080 from the operations of the Enterprise 2018 Budget. This item is the Colorado Springs Utilities fiber line contract included in the Hydroelectric Power Project process, so the revenue and matching expenditure has been moved to the Hydroelectric Power budgeted total expenditure.

The Hydroelectric Power Budget has been updated with the most current information available regarding CWCB loan disbursements and total expenditures.

Mr. Goodwin moved, seconded by Mr. Felt, the Board approve Resolution and Order No. 2017-04EF for the Enterprise Water Fund and No. 2017-05EF for the Hydroelectric Power Project for the adoption of the 2018 Proposed Budget as presented. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board members were provided the December 7, 2017 version of the 2018 Proposed Budget.

#### **INFORMATION ITEMS:**

The Board was provided written material on the following topics, which were posted to the Board website:

Arkansas Valley Conduit and Excess Capacity Master Contract Update

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OTHER BUSINESS MATTERS: President Long asked if there were any other adjourned the meeting at 11:19 a.m.	matters to come	e before the meeting, and hearing none,
Respectfully submitted,		
Toni Gonzales		
Administrative Manager		
		Secretary
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