



## MINTUNES FOR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

IDYLLWILD WATER DISTRICT  
25945 Highway 243  
Idyllwild, CA 92549

April 17, 2024 – 6:00 P.M.

Vice President Szabadi will participate remotely from:  
Hajós Street No. 9, Budapest, Hungary

### AGENDA

#### CALL TO ORDER

President Schelly called meeting to order at 6 p.m.

#### ROLL CALL

President Schelly, Director Kunkle, Director Olson, and Director Davis were physically present. Vice President Szabadi was participating remotely from Hajós Street No. 9, Budapest, Hungary.

Acting Interim General Manager Sauer and Chief Financial Officer Shouman, and Ryan Guiboa an Attorney in Law from BBK were present.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dave Hunt wanted to commend the field workers and Bill Rojas on the repairs that took place on Highway 243. He also mentioned that he would like to see the General Manager position open soon. Mark Lamont wanted to thank the District and compliment the District on their efforts to get the fire hydrants back up and operating and just wanted to say thank you.



1. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Consent Calendar items are expected to be routine and non-controversial, to be acted upon by the Board at one time without discussion. If any Board member, staff member, or interested person requests that an item be removed from the Consent Calendar, it shall be removed so that it may be acted upon separately.

A. **MINUTES**

Special Board Meeting:	January 16,2024
Regular Board Meeting:	January 17, 2024
Special Board Meeting:	January 24,2024
Special Board Meeting:	January 27,2024
Regular Board Meeting:	February 21,2024
Regular Board Meeting:	March 20, 2024
Special Board Meeting:	April 2, 2024

B. **FINANCIAL REPORTS**

- a. Income statement for the ninth month ending March 31, 2024
- b. District warrants for March 2024
  - Check #18178-18233 = \$ 348,821.42
  - Gross Payroll = \$ 69,495
  - Federal/State PR taxes = \$ 5,680
  - LAIF Transfers = \$ 0
  - Transfers/charges = \$ 361

C. **OPERATIONS REPORT**

**DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

Director Olson said there are three minor typos and he mentioned that he had spoken with Mrs. Wheeler about them and got them corrected. President Schelly was concerned about the expenses, he mentioned it was a "big number".



**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

A motion was made by Director Olson to approve the Consent Calendar and Director Szabadi seconded.

The vote was as follows:

<b><u>AYES</u></b>	<b><u>NAYS</u></b>	<b><u>ABSTAIN</u></b>	<b><u>ABSENT</u></b>
Director Davis Director Olson Director Kunkle Vice President Szabadi President Shelly			

Motion approved.

**INFORMATION**

**2. GENERAL MANAGER REPORT**

**DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

The General Manager asked the board if we would be expanding our district, we have a rate payer interested in connecting into the sewer who lives outside of our sewer boundary. President Schelly answered and said we would not be expanding our sewer district at this time. Director Davis had a few questions regarding the lower administrative rehab, one being is a surge protector on the brakers and are there any gutter guards on the rain gutters. Vice President Szabadi asked what the wage differential was with neighboring agencies vs. ours, and if we were in the "ballpark".

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Steve Moulton asked about the previous job flown, out of the 24 applications how many were locals? Curt answered and told him there were two applicants.



### DISCUSSION ITEMS

3. **BOARD MEMBER AND MEETING DECORUM, POLICY #2 and #3**

The Board of Directors will Discuss the existing Board Member and Meeting Decorum Policy # 2 and # 3.

### DIRECTOR COMMENTS

President Schelly asked General Counsel and asked is he could mention a few things on policy #1, and General Counsel said yes. President Schelly elaborated on the open public processes and explained that the board is not allowed comment on things until the board goes through the process. He also noted from the policy it states about representing customers and noted that every board member pays the same water and sewer bills, and every board member is aware of the expenses. The board needs to establish long- and short-term goals, and he talked about the board workshop and its open to the public and invited all to join. Public outreach and mention they could be better at what they do and reach out to the public. He stated that the board is there to establish policies and give the General Manager direction to enforce the policy, he elaborated it was not the board members responsibility to enforce the policy in the field. President Schelly elaborated on and highlighted multiple sentences throughout policy #1, #2, and #3. President Schelly wanted clarification on pre agenda and the stiped a director could receive. Shouman recommends that the stiped should increase the stiped to \$75.00. The General Counsel said if they want to increase the stiped they will need to bring it back as an action item and they need to look at the percentages they are allowed to increase it in a year. Director Kunkle asked for clarification from General Counsel on what meeting was eligible for a stiped. General counsel answer the question and it was stated in policy #2, and it was one meeting per day, and up to ten meeting max a month.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Steve Moulton asked about the General Manager Report and wanted calcification on the lead/copper tests that were mentioned. Curt then clarified this was pipeline inventory. Schelly also clarified that this was a new requirement that that state has asked every district to complete.



#### **4. LOWER ADMINISTRATION BUILDING**

The Board of Directors will discuss the project status of the Lower Administration Building.

#### **DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

Vice President Szabadi asked about additional issues and greater costs. General Manager Sauer said the original bid was \$217,000.00 and all work was to be completed and we have been paying every two weeks. There were additional costs that the District has occurred from unexpected issues that the contractor have ran into. Sauer broken down all costs for board. President Schelly asked about T.V., and new phone systems. He also asked about only having one entry now, and possibly having a larger doorway.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Steve Moulton asked Curt if he was up for being the General Manager permanently, and asked if an employee was still working at the district.

#### **DIRECTORS CLOSING COMMENTS**

None.

The Board moved to Closed Session at 7:28 p m

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

##### **5. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION**

Public Employee Performance Evaluation § 54957 Title: General Manager

##### **6. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL**

Significant Exposure to Litigation Govt. Code§ 54956.9(d)(2). Two (2) matters.

The Board returned into open session at 8:43 p.m.



**REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION**

None.

**DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The Board adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

The next Board meeting is a Regular Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, May 15, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., to be held at the Idyllwild Water District Boardroom, 25945 Hwy. 243, Idyllwild CA 92549.

Idyllwild Water District

BY: *Curt Sauer*  
Curt Sauer  
Board Secretary

Idyllwild Water District

BY: *Charles Schelly*  
Dr. Charles Schelly  
Board President