

**SQUAW VALLEY PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES #814
June 13, 2016**

A. Call to Order, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance. President Dale Cox called the meeting to order at 8:45 A.M.

Directors Present: Directors: Dale Cox, Carl Gustafson, Bill Hudson, Eric Poulsen and John Wilcox.

Directors Absent: none

Staff Present: Mike Geary, General Manager; Kathy Obayashi-Bartsch, Secretary to the Board; and Thomas Archer, District Counsel.

Others Present: Pete Bansen, Brad Chisholm, Jeff Geigle, Allen Riley, Josh Rytter and Travis Smith.

President Cox asked Pete Bansen to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Public Comment/Presentation.

Public Comment –

Brad Chisholm commented on the tragic events in Orlando, FL and as emergency responders the Fire Department staff is aware and concerned about these situations.

Brad Chisholm requested that the public be notified when the Board reconvenes in open session in general and after today's closed session discussion. He offered suggestions to improve communication amongst staff and the Board including the Fire Department hosting a barbeque to become better acquainted. He also commented on the Fire Department's labor negotiations and the importance of having more Board involvement.

Mr. Archer said he is present during closed session and no agreements are made during this time nor are any matters discussed which are not on the closed session agenda. Any action may only be taken during open session. Unfortunately there is no way of knowing how long a closed session may last.

Director Hudson said he supports communication with staff especially as the valley is a small and tight-knit community. He said the Directors are charged with providing general direction and policy making, rather than being involved in daily management of District operations.

President Cox said labor negotiations make communication amongst staff and the Board very sensitive and during labor negotiations communication must be handled very carefully.

Brad Chisholm said many of the Fire Department staff voted in favor of the labor contract although they do not believe it is a good agreement. They voted out of fear and would not have supported the agreement if they did not feel intimidated by management.

Mr. Geary said he supports the idea of improving communication with the Board as suggested by Mr. Chisholm but would have liked to have heard him include all of the District departments, not just the Fire Department.

Directors Wilcox/Poulsen made a motion to adjourn the open session and reconvene in closed session; vote was unanimous.

Cox-yes
Gustafson-yes
Hudson-yes
Poulsen-yes
Wilcox-yes

C. Closed Session – Performance Evaluation.

The Board met in Closed Session pursuant to Government Code §54957 et al to discuss the performance evaluation of the General Manager

Directors Poulsen/Wilcox made a motion to adjourn the closed session and reconvene in open session; vote was unanimous.

Cox-yes
Gustafson-yes
Hudson-yes
Poulsen-yes
Wilcox-yes

D. Possible Action Resulting from Closed Session.

Mr. Archer said no action was taken during closed session and only items on the closed session agenda were discussed and direction was given to continue with the General Manager's performance evaluation.

E. Adjourn.

Directors Wilcox/Poulsen made a motion to adjourn at 10:10 a.m.; vote was unanimous.

Cox-yes
Gustafson-yes
Hudson-yes
Poulsen-yes
Wilcox-yes

By, K. Obayashi-Bartsch