



**MEETING MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA
DIRECTOR VACANCY INTERVIEWS
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2023 – 6:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

President Christensen called the meeting to order at 6:06 pm at the Capitola City Council Chambers.

Board Members Present:

Carla Christensen, President
Dr. Bruce Jaffe, Vice-President
Dr. Thomas LaHue, Director
Rachél Lather, Director

Staff Members Present:

Ron Duncan, General Manager
Traci Hart, Human Resources Manager
Melanie Mow Schumacher, Special Projects-Communications Manager / Assistant General Manager
Emma Western, Executive Assistant/Board Clerk

Others Present:

2 members of the public

2. ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS *(items not on the Agenda)*

Written communications addressed to the Board are available on the District's website:
<https://www.soquelcreekwater.org/AgendaCenter>

President Christensen shared that there was a fish relocation on Soquel Creek near the Porter Street Bridge.

3. INTERVIEWS FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS VACANCY

3.1 Schedule for Wednesday, August 9, 2023

One public comment was heard.

The Board conducted the following interviews:

First Round Interviews

Last	First	Time
Krigsman	Lisa	6:15 - 6:30 pm
Celmins	Ilga	6:35 - 6:50 pm
Marsilio	Maria	6:55 - 7:10 pm
Bertrand	Jacques	7:15 - 7:30 pm
Break 7:30 - 8:00 pm		

Board discussion ensued.

The Board directed staff to invite three candidates (Lisa Krigsman, Ilga Celmins, and Jennifer Balboni) to return for finalist interviews.

The Board conducted the following interviews:

Finalist Interviews

Last	First	Time
Krigsman	Lisa	8:00 pm
Celmins	Ilga	8:15 pm
Balboni	Jennifer	8:30 pm
Discussion & Possible Selection Break 8:50 - 8:59 pm		

4. INTERVIEWS FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS VACANCY

4.1 Nomination and Appointment of New Director to Fill Board Vacancy

President Christensen opened the nomination period.

Board discussion ensued regarding the three finalist candidates. Directors recognized that each finalist candidate would serve the District well and acknowledged their qualifications.

President Christensen nominated Jennifer Balboni to serve on the Soquel Creek Water District Board of Directors. Director Lather seconded.

Vice-President Jaffe expressed support for nominating Ilga Celmins.

MOTION: Vice-President Jaffe; Second: President Christensen; To close nominations to fill vacancy by appointment. Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

MOTION: Director Lather; Second: Director LaHue; To appoint Jennifer Balboni as the new Director to serve on the Board of Directors. Motion passed by roll call vote (4:1). Vice-President Jaffe voted no.


MOTION: Director LaHue; Second: Vice-President Jaffe; To adopt Resolution No. 23-09 (Attachment 2), Appointing New Director, Jennifer Balboni, to Fill Vacancy. Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Directors welcomed Jennifer Balboni to serve on the Soquel Creek Water District Board of Directors.

5. ADJOURNMENT


President Christensen adjourned the meeting at 9:30 p.m.

SUBMITTED:



Emma Western, Board Clerk

APPROVED:



Carla Christensen, President