



SEPTEMBER 18TH CONTINUED MEETING/PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES

Thursday, October 05, 2023 at 1:00 PM

66575 Second St, Desert Hot Springs, CA AND/OR Via Teleconference

CALL TO ORDER

President Martin called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM

ROLL CALL

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: President Russ Martin, Vice President Ivan Sewell, Director Robert Griffith
Director Amber Duff, Director Ted Mayrhofen

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Brian Macy, Marion Champion, Arturo Ceja, Danny Friend, Kurt
Kettenacker, Oriana Hoffert, Carol Morin, Dori Petee, Eric Weck, April Scott, Amanda Lucas

PUBLIC INPUT

No public Input

ACTION ITEMS

PUBLIC HEARING ~ RESOLUTION 2023-21 ~ ENERGY SERVICE CONTRACT WITH ENGIE SERVICES U.S.

It is recommended to adopt Resolution 2023-21, Energy Services Contract with ENGIE Services U.S., to design, build and perform operations and maintenance services on the Comprehensive Energy and Sustainability Upgrades project.

Interim General Manager Brian Macy noted this is a continuation of the meeting of September 18, 2023. He noted that at the last meeting we were negotiating the price and some of the contract terms and since then the majority if not all the big terms have been negotiated to both the satisfaction of MSWD and ENGIE. Mr. Macy noted that he wants to bring a clean copy of the contract to the Board, so if terms are agreed upon today, this item will come back to the Board on Thursday, October 12, 2023, for action.

Ashu Jain noted ENGIE reduced the price of the contract by One Million dollars. They negotiated a better price on the solar panels and negotiated with their subcontractors and were able to get them to reduce their price by 5%. Additionally, ENGIE recalculated their overhead and were able to reduce that price by half a million dollars.

Tim Holmes of Kenwood Energy presented. Kenwood Energy is an energy management consulting company with more than 35 years of experience in energy management working with utilities, renewable energy, sustainability, and greenhouse gas management. Kenwood Energy scope of work was to do a peer review of the installation costs and saving estimates, cash flows of the energy service contract and then provide the District with some final thoughts. The cost doesn't have to be the lowest, but it should be competitive. Kenwood Energy confirmed the savings estimates, the cash flows show a good return on investment.

Kenwood & ENGIE received questions from the Board. There was a lengthy conversation amongst the Board. Director Griffith made a motion to continue the Regular Meeting/Public Hearing to Thursday, October 12, 2023.

Motion made by Director Griffith, Seconded by Vice President Sewell .

Voting Yea: President Martin, Vice President Sewell, Director Griffith, Director Duff

Voting Nay: Director Mayrhofen

ADJOURN

With no further business, President Martin adjourned this meeting at 2:10 PM

Respectfully,

Dori Petee
Executive Assistant