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Regular Board Meeting/Groundwater Sustainability Agency Board Meeting
Via Zoom Teleconference
January 19, 2022

Minutes

1. Call to Order:

President Shriner called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. on January 19, 2022 via Zoom teleconference in Marina, California. She then proceeded with a land acknowledgement. “As Marina Coast Water District celebrates its 60th year providing publicly owned water service to its customers in Marina and the Ord Community, we acknowledge that our service are is located on the traditional lands of the Esselen people. They are known today as the Ohlone/Constanoan-Esselen Nation. We respect their elders, past, present, and emerging, for they hold the memories, traditions, culture, and hopes of the Esselen people. We also acknowledge the government of the Ohlone/Coastanoan Esselen Nation and appreciate the spiritual role it plays today in preserving the cultural, historical and heritage beliefs of the Esselen people. We are grateful that they share their traditional lands with us.”

2. Roll Call:

Board Members Present:

Jan Shriner– President
Herbert Cortez – Vice President
Thomas P. Moore
Gail Morton
Matt Zefferman – joined the meeting at 6:39 p.m.

Board Members Absent:

None

Staff Members Present:

Remleh Scherzinger, General Manager
Roger Masuda, District Counsel
David Hobbs, District Counsel
Kelly Cadiente, Director of Administrative Services
Derek Cray, Operations and Maintenance Manager
Patrick Breen, Water Resources Manager
Rose Gill, Human Resources/Risk Administrator
Teo Espero, IT Administrator
Paula Riso, Executive Assistant/Clerk to the Board

Agenda Item 2 (continued):

Audience Members:

Andy Sterbenz, Schaaf & Wheeler
Kevin Kostiuk, Raftellis
Vera Nelson, EKI Environment & Water
Tina Wang, EKI Environment & Water
Glenn Nelson, CSUMB
Trevin Barber, City of Seaside
Julie Wryick
Mike McCullough, M1W
Troy Lawson
Roberta Greathouse, City of Seaside
Emily Gardner
Alison Imamura, M1W
Rick Riedl, Wallace Group
Doug Yount, Shea Homes

President Shriner announced that Agenda Item 9-A has been pulled from the agenda and will not be discussed at this meeting.

3. Pledge of Allegiance:

Mr. Remleh Scherzinger, General Manager, led everyone present in the pledge of allegiance.

4. Oral Communications:

There were no comments made.

5. Marina Coast Water District Groundwater Sustainability Agency Matters:

A. Action Item:

1. Adopt Resolution No. 2022-GSA01 to Approve the Monterey Sub-basin Groundwater Sustainability Plan:

Mr. Patrick Breen, Water Resources Manager, introduced this item.

President Shriner opened the Public Hearing at 6:38 p.m. for the Monterey Sub-basin Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP).

Director Zefferman joined the meeting at 6:39 p.m.

Agenda Item 5-A1 (continued):

Ms. Vera Nelson, EKI Environment & Water, gave a brief overview of the GSP, noting that it was co-developed by the MCWDGSA and the SVBGSA. She added that during that time, there were twenty-five meetings held by MCWD and SVBGSA during the GSP development. That included eleven meetings by MCWD; five stakeholder workshops; and six MCWDGSA Board meetings, all beginning in 2018.

The Board asked clarifying questions and Director Moore suggested several edits. Ms. Nelson noted that this plan was ready to go and these edits, as well as others, could be done in the next update as this is a living plan and is scheduled to be updated every five years. Discussion followed.

Dr. Glenn Nelson, CSUMB, commented that CSUMB submitted a letter, and it was not included in the document and asked that it be included. Mr. Breen stated that the letter would be included.

Director Moore made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2022-GSA01 to approve the Monterey Sub-basin Groundwater Sustainability Plan, to include the letter from CSUMB. Director Morton seconded the motion.

President Shriner closed the Public Hearing at 7:38 p.m.

The motion was passed by the following vote:

Director Moore	-	Yes	Vice President Cortez	-	Yes
Director Morton	-	Yes	President Shriner	-	Yes
Director Zefferman	-	Yes			

6. Return to Marina Coast Water District Matters:

7. Workshop:

A. Receive a Presentation on the Recycled Water Rate Study Workshop #1:

Ms. Kelly Cadiente, Director of Administrative Services, introduced this item and Mr. Kevin Kostiuk, Raftellis. Mr. Kostiuk gave an overview of the Rate Study and the projected demand for recycled water. He also reviewed the schedule for approving the Rate Study, noting there would be another workshop in February. The Board asked clarifying questions.

8. Consent Calendar:

Director Moore made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar consisting of: A) Receive and File the Check Register for the Month of December 2021; B) Receive the Quarterly Financial Statements for July 1, 2021 to September 30, 2021; C) Approve the Draft Minutes of the Regular Joint Board Meeting of December 13, 2021; D) Approve the Draft Minutes of the Special Joint Board Meeting of January 4, 2022. Director Morton seconded the motion.

Agenda Item 8 (continued):

The motion was passed by the following vote:

Director Moore	-	Yes	Vice President Cortez	-	Yes
Director Morton	-	Yes	President Shriner	-	Yes
Director Zefferman	-	Yes			

9. Action Items:

- B. Adopt Resolution No. 2022-03 to Authorize a CIP Budget Adjustment to Reimburse the City of Marina for the Replacement of an Emergency Repair and Replacement of a Potable Water Pipeline and Appurtenances in Flower Circle, Marina:

Mr. Breen introduced this item and explained that the City of Marina was doing work on Flower Circle and the District worked with the City to replace and repair a potable water pipeline while the road was open before being repaved.

Director Morton made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2022-03 to authorize a CIP Budget adjustment to reimburse the City of Marina for the replacement of an emergency repair and replacement of a potable water pipeline and appurtenances in Flower Circle, Marina. Director Moore seconded the motion. The motion was passed by the following vote:

Director Moore	-	Yes	Vice President Cortez	-	Yes
Director Morton	-	Yes	President Shriner	-	Yes
Director Zefferman	-	Yes			

10. Staff Reports:

- A. Receive an Update on the Fiscal Impacts to the District due to Covid-19:

Ms. Cadiente introduced this item and noted that the arrearages program payment was received from the State and staff was working on making sure the payments are applied to the appropriate water portion of customers bills. She also noted that the State has now opened a Wastewater Arrearages Program application and the District will look into that program for reimbursement.

- B. Receive a Report on Current Capital Improvement Projects:

Mr. Breen introduced this item and reported on the progress of CIP projects currently underway.

- C. Receive the 4th Quarter 2021 MCWD Water Consumption Report:

Ms. Cadiente introduced this item.

D. Receive the 4th Quarter 2021 Sewer Flow Report:

Ms. Cadiente introduced this item.

11. Informational Items:

A. General Manager's Report:

Mr. Scherzinger gave the following updates:

- 1) Staff has short-listed the Public Relation firms to the last two and they will be asked to make a presentation to the Outreach Committee whom will make a recommendation to the Board at a later meeting;
- 2) The draft framework for the Strategic Plan has been received from BHI Consulting and staff is making sure everything is ready for the Workshop;
- 3) Alliance Recruiting is on board to recruit for both the District Engineer and Director of Administrative Services positions;
- 4) he is meeting with Paul Sciuto to discuss how the AWT funding has been structured and how MCWD will leverage its capacity in Phase 1 and 2 of the project to ensure all the 1,427 acre feet capacity is AWT or tertiary water off the system. He is also meeting with Monterey County Water Resources Agency to discuss the agreements and how MCWD can take their CSIP water and if it's tertiary water;
- 5) he received word that CSDA has a deal with the Ferguson Group to do grant writing for Special Districts at a discounted rate.

B. Counsel's Report:

No report was given.

C. Committee and Board Liaison Reports:

1. Executive Committee:

Vice President Cortez gave a brief update.

2. Community Outreach Committee:

Director Zefferman gave a brief update.

3. Budget and Personnel Committee:

Director Morton gave a brief update.

4. LAFCO Liaison:

Vice President Cortez stated there was no update.

5. Special Districts Association:

Director Moore gave a brief update.

14. Board Member Requests for Future Agenda Items:

President Shriner stated that any requests may be emailed to staff.

15. Director's Comments:

Director Moore, Director Zefferman, Director Morton, Vice President Cortez, and President Shriner made comments.

16. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:09 p.m.

APPROVED:



Jan Shriner, President

ATTEST:



Paula Riso, Deputy Secretary