



Marina Coast Water District

Regular Board Meeting/Groundwater Sustainability Agency Board Meeting
Via Zoom Teleconference
August 16, 2021

Minutes

1. Call to Order:

President Shriner called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. on August 16, 2021 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 area is located on the traditional lands of the Esselen people. They are known today as the Ohlone/Costanoan-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/Costanoan 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
Thomas P. Moore – Vice President
Herbert Cortez
Gail Morton

Board Members Absent:

Matt Zefferman

Staff Members Present:

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

Agenda Item 2 (continued):

Audience Members:

Andrew Sterbenz, Schaaf & Wheeler
Vera Nelson, EKI Water & Environment
Doug Yount, Shea Homes
Melanie Carrido, Psomas
Tina Wang, EKI Water & Environment
Sherry Fisher

Stephenie Verduzco
Candace Cuisinier
Bart Bruno, MPE
Karen Blank
Colleen Helm
Gail Terry

3. Public Comment on Closed Session Items:

There were no comments.

The Board entered into closed session at 6:35 p.m. to discuss the following item:

4. Closed Session:

- A. Pursuant to Government Code 54956.9
Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9
Claimant – Candace Cuisinier

The Board ended closed session at 6:48 p.m. President Shriner reconvened the meeting to open session at 7:00 p.m.

5. Reportable Actions Taken During Closed Session:

Mr. Roger Masuda, District Counsel, stated there were no reportable actions taken in Closed Session.

6. Pledge of Allegiance:

Director Morton led everyone present in the pledge of allegiance.

7. Oral Communications:

There were no comments made.

8. Marina Coast Water District Groundwater Sustainability Agency Matters:

A. Presentation:

- 1. Receive a Presentation on the Monterey Sub-basin Groundwater Sustainability Plan Progress:

Agenda Item 8-A1 (continued):

Mr. Patrick Breen, Water Resources Manager, introduced this item. Ms. Vera Nelson, EKI Water & Environment, gave a presentation on Chapters 6-10 of the Monterey Sub-basin Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) being developed by MCWDGSA and SVBGSA. She noted that Chapters 6-10 discussed the Water Budget, Monitoring Network, Sustainable Management Criteria, Projects & Management Actions, and GSP Implementation. Ms. Nelson said the schedule is to release the draft GSP for public review on September 20th for a ninety-day comment period, with the final adoption in January so it can be submitted to the Department of Water Resources by January 31, 2022. Discussion followed.

9. Return to Marina Coast Water District Matters:

10. Consent Calendar:

Director Morton requested to pull item B from the Consent Calendar.

Vice President Moore made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar consisting of: A) Receive and File the Check Register for the Month of July 2021; and, C) Approve the Draft Minutes of the Special Joint Board/GSA Meeting of August 2, 2021. Director Morton seconded the motion. The motion was passed by the following vote:

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

B. Approve the Draft Minutes of the Regular Joint Board/GSA Meeting of July 19, 2021:

Director Morton clarified that in the minutes, on page 4, Item C, she made a comment that the City of Marina “pays for educational services to” Monterey Peninsula Unified School District. She noted that they do not “reimburse” the school district. Mr. Remleh Scherzinger, General Manager, noted the minutes would be modified to include the correction.

Director Morton made a motion to approve the draft minutes of July 19, 2021 with the stated correction. Vice President Moore seconded the motion. The motion was passed by the following vote:

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

11. Action Items:

- A. Adopt Resolution No. 2021-44 to Approve a Change Order to the Ord Village Lift Station and Force Main Construction Contract with Monterey Peninsula Engineering Authorizing the Emergency Reconstruction of the Gigling Force Main (CIP OS-0218) Under the Existing Ord Village Contract:

Mr. Andrew Racz, Associate Engineer, introduced this item. The Board asked clarifying questions.

Director Morton made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2021-44 to approve a change order to the Ord Village Lift Station and Force Main Construction Contract with Monterey Peninsula Engineering authorizing the emergency reconstruction of the Gigling Force Main (CIP OS-0218) under the existing Ord Village Contract. Vice President Moore seconded the motion. The motion was passed by the following vote:

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

- B. Adopt Resolution No. 2021-45 to Approve Amendment No. 2 to the Professional Services Agreement with Psomas for Construction Management of the Gigling Force Main Emergency Replacement Project:

Mr. Don Wilcox, Senior Engineer, introduced this item. Discussion and clarification followed.

Vice President Moore made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2021-45 to approve Amendment No. 2 to the Professional Services Agreement with Psomas for construction management of the Gigling Force Main Emergency Replacement Project. Director Morton seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

12. Staff Report:

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

Ms. Cadiente introduced this item and reviewed the revenues, and delinquent accounts.

13. Informational Items:

- A. General Manager's Report:

There was no report.

B. Counsel's Report:

There was no report.

C. Committee and Board Liaison Reports:

1. Water Conservation Commission:

Mr. Breen stated no meeting was held.

2. Joint City District Committee:

Director Morton gave a brief update.

3. Executive Committee:

Vice President Moore stated they met on August 3rd. President Shriner gave a brief update.

4. Community Outreach Committee:

Director Cortez gave a brief update.

5. Budget and Personnel Committee:

Director Cortez gave a brief update.

6. M1W Board Member:

Vice President Moore gave a brief update noting the next meeting was August 30th.

7. LAFCO Liaison:

Director Cortez stated they were meeting on August 23rd and a key meeting on September 27th regarding the future of Monterey Peninsula Water Management District providing potable water to the Peninsula.

8. JPIA Liaison:

Director Morton stated there was nothing to report.

9. Special Districts Association Liaison:

Vice President Moore stated they met on July 20th. President Shriner gave a brief update.

10. MCWD/SVBGSA Steering Committee:

Mr. Breen said the meeting was canceled.

14. Board member Requests for Future Agenda Items:

Director Morton asked if there could be opportunity to discuss and provide comment on the LAFCO item. Director Cortez asked for the Covid Staff Report to include information Ms. Cadiente learns during her seminar regarding the proposed government utility assistance. Vice President Moore asked that staff bring first to the Budget and Personnel Committee, then the Board, information on how the District is keeping staff safe during the Delta Variant. President Shriner noted that the Board members can also email in their requests.

15. Director's Comments:

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

16. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:44 p.m.

APPROVED:



Jan Shriner, President

ATTEST:



Paula Riso, Deputy Secretary