

Marina Coast Water District
Marina Coast Water District and Fort Ord Reuse Authority

FORA Conference Facility
201 13th Street, Bldg 2925
Marina, California

Special Joint Board Meeting
August 13, 2010
3:00 p.m.

Minutes

1. Call to Order and Roll Call of Both Boards:

FORA Chair, Mayor Ralph Rubio called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. on August 13, 2010.

Fort Ord Reuse Authority Board of Directors:

Voting members:

Chair/Mayor Rubio (City of Seaside)	1 st Vice Chair/Supervisor Potter (County of Monterey)
Councilmember Ford (City of Marina)	Councilmember Mancini (City of Seaside)
Councilmember O'Connell (City of Marina)	Mayor Pro Tem Kampe (City of Pacific Grove)
Mayor Pendergrass (City of Sand City)	Mayor McCloud (City of Carmel-by-the-Sea)
Councilmember/Vice Mayor Selfridge (City of Monterey)	Mayor Edelen (City of Del Rey Oaks)

Absent were Councilmember McCall (City of Marina), Supervisor Parker (County of Monterey), Supervisor Calcagno (County of Monterey), and Mayor Pro Tem Gray (City of Marina).
Arriving late: Councilmember Barnes.

Non-voting members:

Graham Bice (UC Santa Cruz)	Vicki Nakamura (Monterey Peninsula College)
Gail Youngblood (U.S. Army)	Kenneth Nishi (Marina Coast Water District)
Kevin Saunders (CSUMB)	COL Brewer (U.S. Army)

Absent were representatives from the 17th Congressional District, the 15th State Senate District, the 27th State Assembly District, Monterey Peninsula Unified School District, Monterey-Salinas Transit, and the Transportation Agency of Monterey County.

Marina Coast Water District Board Members Present:

Ken Nishi – President
Howard Gustafson
Tom Moore
Dan Burns

Bill Lee – Vice President was absent.

Marina Coast Water District Staff Members Present:

Jim Heitzman, General Manager
Anne Secker, Legal Counsel
Suresh Prasad, Director of Finance
Brian True, Capital Projects Manager
Kelly Cadiente, Director of Administrative Services
Paula Riso, Executive Assistant/Clerk to the Board

2. Pledge of Allegiance:

FORA Chair Rubio asked President Kenneth Nishi, who serves on both boards, to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Acknowledgements:

Mr. Michael Houlemard, FORA Executive Officer, called attention to the handouts at the board table: one showing a revised recommendation and resolution pertaining to the Ord Community Water/ Wastewater Systems Budgets and Rates for FY 2008-2009; another with the complete packet of Exhibit W6 from years 1999-2007; and, the PowerPoint slides for the presentation of Item 6a.

4. Public Comment Period:

There were no public comments.

5. Old Business:

None.

6. New Business:

- a. Ord Community and Marina Water/Wastewater Systems Proposed Budget and Rates for FY 2008-2009:

- (1) Presentation by Marina Coast Water District

Mr. Suresh Prasad, MCWD Director of Finance, gave a PowerPoint presentation on the proposed fiscal year 2010/2011 operating and capital budgets for the water, recycled water and wastewater collection systems and corresponding customer rates for water and wastewater collection systems for the Ord Community, which had been provided in hard copy.

Agenda Item 6a1 (continued):

Mr. Prasad commented that the Prop 218 process was adhered to. He stated that notice of the proposed increase was mailed on May 21, 2010 and a second notice was mailed on June 25, 2010. Mr. Prasad noted that the budget assumptions included a customer water bill increase of 7.8% and sewer bill increase of 7.8%. The surcharges remain unchanged \$20.00 for water and \$5.00 for wastewater.

Mr. Prasad noted that all of the District's accounts, with the exception of 1,201 Army accounts, were metered. CSUMB had installed over 1300 meters in the last year.

Mr. Prasad stated that out of 2,814 customers, only seven protests were received for the Ord Community where fifty percent plus one was needed to protest the increase.

Mr. Brian True, Capital Projects Manager, commented that although there are approximately 1,200 un-metered accounts, all new structures will have meters installed. He added that the District is working with the contractor to install meters as feasible so in the future, there will be no un-metered accounts.

Councilmember Mancini commented that he is very uncomfortable with the un-metered rates and would like to see those un-metered buildings receive meters. Col. Brewer voiced his concern over the un-metered buildings as well and asked if there were any other costs involved with metering a building other than the meter. Mr. True answered that there may be a nominal fee with the plumbing fixtures. Mr. Jim Heitzman, General Manager of Marina Coast Water District, added that there would be no capacity or connection fees since the Army is already connected to the system. Mr. Brewer commented that the Army is moving towards metering all their buildings.

There were clarifying questions on the difference of rates between Central Marina and the Ord Community and sewer rates on the Peninsula.

(2) Public Hearing – Proposition 218 Notice:

FORA Chair Rubio opened the Public Hearing at 3:21 p.m.

Ms. Jan Shriner commented on the struggling community and the economic crisis young families are facing including the rate hikes proposed by MCWD.

With no other comments being offered, FORA Chair Rubio closed the Public Hearing at 3:26 p.m.

- (3) FORA Board Approval of Resolution Nos. 10-10 and 10-11 Adopting a Compensation Plan and Setting Rates, Fees and Charges for Base-Wide Water, Recycled Water and Sewer:

1st Vice Chair/Supervisor Potter made a motion to approve Resolution Nos. 10-10 and 10-11 Adopting a Compensation Plan and Setting Rates, Fees and Charges for Base-Wide Water, Recycled Water and Sewer. Mayor McCloud seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

- (4) Services on the Former Fort Ord MCWD Board Consider Adoption of Resolution Nos. 2010-58 and 2010-59 (Ord Community Budget and Compensation Plan):

Director Gustafson made a motion to adopt Resolution Nos. 2010-58 and 2010-59 approving the Ord Community Budget and Compensation Plan. Mayor Edelen seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

Director Moore	-	Yes	Vice President Lee	-	Absent
Director Gustafson	-	Yes	President Nishi	-	Yes
Director Burns	-	Yes			

Director Burns noted that a non-member of the MCWD Board made the second to the motion and said that he would make the second. President Nishi asked for another roll call on Director Gustafson's motion to adopt Resolution Nos. 2010-58 and 2010-59 approving the Ord Community Budget and Compensation Plan and Director Burns' second. The motion was passed.

Director Moore	-	Yes	Vice President Lee	-	Absent
Director Gustafson	-	Yes	President Nishi	-	Yes
Director Burns	-	Yes			

7. Announcements and Correspondence:

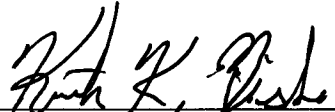
President Nishi commented that it was a pleasure to meet in this Board meeting. Director Gustafson commented that the District was celebrating its 50th Anniversary. President Nishi announced that everyone was invited to the celebration in September.

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8. Adjournment:

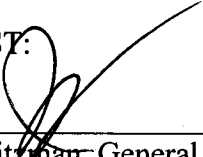
The meeting was adjourned at 3:29 p.m.

APPROVED:



Kenneth K. Nishi, President

ATTEST:



Jim Heitzman, General Manager