Minutes Water Conservation Commission May 5, 2011

1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 5:32 p.m. Commission members Bob Brown, Bill Lee, Dan Amadeo, Jim Ford, Jay Tulley, Harold Krotzer, and Ruth Krotzer, were present. Rich Youngblood, Paul Lord, and Paula Riso were present from staff. Commission member Steven Reeves was absent.

2. Public Comments on Any Item Not on the Agenda:

There were no comments.

3. Approve the Draft April 7, 2011 Minutes:

On motion by Commissioner Ruth Krotzer, seconded by Commissioner Harold Krotzer, the draft April 7, 2011 minutes were approved. Commissioners Tulley and Brown abstained from the vote.

4. Consider Recommending Adoption of Resolution No. 2011-xx in Recognition of Community Member, Mr. Richard Newhouse, for his Dedicated Service to the MCWD as a Member on the Water Conservation Commission:

Commissioner Lee recommended forwarding this item to the Board of Directors for consideration. Commissioner Harold Krotzer seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

5. Receive Report on the Water Conservation Commission:

Mr. Youngblood introduced this item explaining that the Board of Directors asked staff to bring before them the Mission and composition of the Commission for discussion. That report will be brought before the Board of Directors at their May 10, 2011 meeting. Mr. Youngblood commented that currently there is one vacancy on the Commission.

Commissioner Ford recommended forwarding this item to the Board of Directors for consideration. Commissioner Amadeo seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

6. Consider Recommending Approval of the Draft Summer 2011 Newsletter:

Mr. Youngblood introduced this item noting that the District sends out two Water Wise newsletters and two Water Report newsletters each year.

Commissioner Ruth Krotzer recommended forwarding this item to the Board of Directors for consideration. Commissioner Tulley seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

7. Receive Update on Board/District Activities:

Commissioner Lee commented that the FORA building the District has been constructing, is nearly complete. FORA will be moving into half the building in mid-June and the District is looking for tenants for the other half. This building will be Gold Leed certified. Commissioner Brown inquired what options the building has to make it Gold certified. Mr. Niizawa answered that there are many criteria, including storm water drainage and natural light.

Commissioner Lee commented that the Regional Project is moving forward regardless of the pending lawsuits.

Commissioner Amadeo inquired on the Veteran's Cemetery loan that the District considered at a recent meeting. Commissioner Lee answered that nothing has been decided on that loan.

8. Receive Comments from Commission Members:

Commissioner Ruth Krotzer commented on the proposed rate increase by the District and thanked the District for not raising the rates too exorbitantly.

Commissioner Tulley inquired on the Automated Meter Reading (AMR) meters and wanted to know if they have been installed on the Army property. Mr. Youngblood answered that all the 3/4 inch meters have been installed and the larger meters have yet to be installed.

Commissioner Ruth Krotzer, commented that the Water Awareness Committee was going to be at the Del Monte Shopping Center and encouraged everyone to attend.

9. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:02 pm.