

Minutes
Water Conservation Commission
February 6, 2014

1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. Commission members Dan Amadeo, Jan Shriner, JoAnn Cannon, David Brown, Carroll Meuse, and Grace Silva-Santella (arrived at 5:32 p.m.) were present. Brian True, Paul Lord, and Brian Lee were present from staff.

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

No comments were made.

3. Approve the December 5, 2013 Meeting Minutes:

Commissioner Cannon made a motion to approve the December 5, 2013 minutes. Director Shriner seconded the motion. With a vote of 4-Ayes, 0-Noes, 2-Absent (Felton, Silva-Santella), 1-Abstained (Brown) the motion was passed.

4. Approve the January 9, 2014 Meeting Minutes:

Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the January 9, 2014 minutes. Director Shriner seconded the motion. With a vote of 5-Ayes, 0-Noes, 2-Absent (Felton, Silva-Santella) the motion was passed.

5. Receive a Report Regarding Preliminary 2013 Water Consumption Data:

Commissioner Silva-Santella arrived at 5:32 p.m.

Mr. Lord reviewed the report and graphs of the 2013 water consumption data and answered questions on the daily per-capita water use.

6. Review How the State of California's Announcement of a Drought State of Emergency Impacts Water Conservation Within MCWD's Service Areas and Consider a Recommendation to the MCWD Board of Directors Regarding the Declaration of a Stage Within the Water Shortage Contingency Plan:

Mr. True introduced this item. He explained the difference between Stage 1 and Stage 2 conservation measures and staff suggested the Conservation Commission recommend to the MCWD Board to declare either Stage 1 or Stage 2 but cautioned that Stage 2 could have implementation challenges.

Commissioner Cannon made a motion to recommend to the MCWD Board of Directors the declaration of Stage 1 conservation and that the Commission review the existing Water Shortage Contingency Plan by 2015. Commissioner Brown seconded the motion. The Commission asked to wait to vote on this item until after discussion of item 7.

7. Consider Developing Outreach Opportunities Using Water Conservation:

Mr. Lee explained that the District staff is sending e-flyers, billing inserts, and billing messages. He added that the Commission members was tasked to look for ways to help spread the conservation message and email Brian and Paul with their ideas so they could be discussed at the next meeting. Mr. Lee stated that the ideas would be written down and placed in ranking order. The top three ideas would be worked on first and then on down the list.

Returning to item 6, the Commission voted on the motion.

With a vote of 4-Ayes, 1-Noes, 1-Absent (Felton), 1-Abstained (Shriner) the motion was passed.

8. Review Proposed and Suggested Agenda Items for the March 6, 2014 WCC Meeting:

Staff commented that the suggested meeting items were going to take most of the meeting time to go over and a gray water system tour would take place later.

9. Receive Update on Board/District Activities:

Director Shriner provided a brief update on MCWD activities.

10. Receive Comments from Commission Members:

No comments.

11. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:21 p.m.