

#### FINAL MINUTES

# Regular Meeting Board of Directors Monterey Peninsula Water Management District July 20, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Water Management District conference room.

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Directors Present:

Kristi Markey – Chair, Division 3
Jeanne Byrne – Vice Chair, Division 4
Brenda Lewis – Division 1
Andrew Clarke – Division 2
Robert S. Brower, Sr. – Division 5
David Pendergrass – Mayoral Representative
David Potter – Monterey County Board of
Supervisors Representative

Directors Absent: None

General Manager present: David J. Stoldt

District Counsel present: David Laredo

The assembly recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Stoldt announced that items 13 and 14 had been pulled from the agenda. On a motion by Potter and second of Lewis, the amendments to the agenda were accepted by the Board on a unanimous vote of 7-0 by Potter, Lewis, Brower, Byrne, Clarke, Markey and Pendergrass.

The following comments were directed to the Board during Oral Communications. (1) George Riley, representing Public Water Now (PWN), reiterated a request made by letter dated July 10, 2015, that PWN have an opportunity to provide input on California American Water (Cal-Am) rate setting proposals prior to submission of the application to the California Public Utilities Commission. (2) Andy Bell submitted a letter dated July 20, 2015 requesting that the Water Management District website include information on the alternative desalination project proposed by DeepWater Desal. (3) Rudy Fischer, member of the Pacific Grove City Council, submitted a statement entitled Water Savings at Pacific Grove Golf Links, 2008-2010 prepared by Daniel Gho. Mr. Fischer requested that the Board review the information provided and disregard data provided by

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

persons that are protesting development of the proposed Pacific Grove recycled water project and water entitlement.

On a motion by Pendergrass and second of Potter, the Consent Calendar was adopted except for item 5 that was pulled for separate consideration. The motion was approved on a vote of 7 – 0 by Pendergrass, Potter, Brower, Byrne, Clarke, Lewis and Markey.

Approved.

Approved extension to September 30, 2015.

Approved.

Approved.

On a motion by Byrne and second of Brower, the contract for \$49,200 was approved on a unanimous vote of 7 – 0 by Byrne, Brower, Clarke, Lewis, Markey, Pendergrass and Potter.

Tom Rowley, representing the Monterey Peninsula Taxpayers Association (MPTA), noted that the consultant's scope of work used the term "misguided lawsuits." He stated that there was no intent by the MPTA to misguide the public when it filed a lawsuit against the Water Management District.

Approved not-to-exceed amount of \$2,100.

A summary of General Manager Stoldt's report can be viewed on the Water Management District's website and at the agency office. He reported that as of July 1, 2015, cumulative water production in the Monterey Peninsula Water Resources System was 11% below cumulative production in 2014. For the month of June, rainfall received was 76% of long-term average; unimpaired flow was estimated as 32% of long-term average; and storage was at 91% of long-term average.

Stoldt reported that the Coastal Commission may

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1. Consider Adoption of Minutes of the June 15, 2015 Regular Board Meeting
- 2. Consider Extension of Memorandum of Understanding Regarding Source Waters and Water Recycling Amendment No. 2
- 3. Consider Adoption of Resolution 2015-14 for State Revolving Fund Application for Pure Water Monterey Project
- 4. Consider Adoption of Resolution 2015-15
  Restating Intent to Reimburse Expenditures
  for Pure Water Monterey Project
- Consider Contract for Public Outreach and Communications Services with Thomas Brand Consulting for Fiscal Year 2015-2016

6. Consider Awarding \$125.00 Scholarships for ARCSA Attendance to Residents/Professionals Within the MPWMD Boundaries

# GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

7. Status Report on California American Water Compliance with State Water Resources Control Board Order 2009-0060 and Seaside Groundwater Basin Adjudication Decision

8. Update on Development of Water Supply



schedule a hearing on August 12, 13 or 14, 2015 for Cal-Am's amended permit for slant well testing. The comment period for Cal-Am's EIR on the Monterey Peninsula Water Supply Project has been extended to September 30, 2015. Stoldt noted that 28 comment letters were received on the Pure Water Monterey Project EIR. He stated that Monterey Peninsula Airport has estimated that production from three subpotable wells on its property could yield 107 acrefeet per year, but additional well production testing must be completed to verify that number. Stoldt responded to questions from the Board. Chair Markey requested that Cal-Am and DeepWater Desal provide updates on their projects at the August 20, 2015 Board meeting. It was also suggested that Stoldt submit a letter to Cal-Am requesting that the geotechnical section of the EIR on the Monterey Peninsula Water Supply Project (MPWSP) be revised without delay. Chair Markey asked staff to determine if the referenced letter should be prepared.

Tom Rowley, MPTA, addressed the Board during the public comment period on this item. He stated that it was premature to prepare EIRs on the MPWSP and the Pure Water Monterey Project before source water was finalized for the projects. He expressed support for a delay in order to update the EIR, which would allow time for source water issues to be resolved.

A summary of Stoldt's presentation can be viewed on the Water Management District website or at the agency office.

Counsel Laredo reported that the Board reviewed item 1 and determined that Action Item 14 should be deferred to the August 17, 2015 Board meeting agenda.

Counsel Laredo reported that he provided status reports on items 2.A, 2.C and 2.D, but no reportable action was taken.

## **Projects**

### 9. Report on Drought Response

### ATTORNEY'S REPORT

10. Report from District Counsel on Closed Sessions of June 15 and July 20, 2015

July 20, 2015 Closed Session

1. Conference with Real Property Negotiators (Gov. Code 54956.8)

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Seaside, CA 93955

Agency Negotiator: David J. Stoldt, General

Manager

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2. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (Gov. Code 54956.9 (a))

Manager

- A. MPWMD v. SWRCB; Santa Clara 1-10-CV-163328 CDO
- **B.** Application of Cal-Am to CPUC (No. 12-04-019) Mon. Pen. Water Supply Project
- C. MPTA v MPWMD Case No. M123512
- D. Thum v. MPWMD; Monterey Case No. M113598; 6th District Appellate Case #HO39566
- E. MPWMD v CPUC (Cal-Am); CA supreme Court Case No. S208838
- **F.** Water Plus v. MPWMD, Case No. M125274
- G. MPWMD v. SWRCB; Santa Clara 1-10-CV-163328 – CDO

DIRECTORS' REPORTS (INCLUDING AB 1234 REPORTS ON TRIPS, CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE AND MEETINGS)

11. Oral Reports on Activities of County, Cities, Other Agencies/Committees/ Associations

#### PUBLIC HEARINGS

12. Consider First Reading of Ordinance No. 165 Amending Rules 11, 21, 23 and 23.1 and Adding Rule 23.7 to Establish a Water Entitlement for Malpaso Water LLC

No reports from the Directors.

Potter offered a motion that was seconded by Brower to adopt the first reading of Ordinance 165 with the following changes: (1) Amend Rule 23.7.A.1 to reflect conveyance losses. (2) Amend Rule 23.7A.3 to state "and that are located within in the California American Water Service Area and within in the Carmel River watershed and or the City of Carmelby-the-Sea" The motion was adopted on a unanimous vote of 7 – 0 by Potter, Brower, Byrne, Clarke, Lewis, Markey and Pendergrass.

The following comments from the public were directed to the Board on this item. (1) Alan Williams, Manager of Malpaso Water System, stated that the staff report was complete, and offered to answer questions about the project. (2) Jeannette Tuitele-Lewis, President and CEO of the Big Sur Land Trust, requested that the Board approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 165, as it would facilitate completion of the Carmel River Free Project. (3) Morgan Gillman, resident of Carmel Point, asked how property owners would access entitlement water. Stoldt stated that Water Management District staff would contact Mr. Gillman after the meeting with a response.

No discussion.

13. Deleted 7/17/2015 Consider First Reading



of Ordinance No. 166 - Amending Rule 11 and Adding Rule 23.8 to Establish a Water Entitlement for the City of Pacific Grove

No discussion. Item deferred to a future meeting date.

# Brower offered a motion that was seconded by Potter to submit the response letter to the Grand Jury.

On a motion of Brower and second of Potter, the motion was amended to request that: (1) the response letter by submitted to the Grand Jury; and (2) that the General Manager contact the Grand Jury administrator and suggest that the process for report preparation be modified to allow fact checking by the local agency so that errors could be corrected before the final report is released to the public. The motion was approved unanimously on a vote of 7 – 0 by Brower, Potter, Byrne, Clarke, Lewis, Markey and Pendergrass. No comments from the public were directed to the Board on this item.

On a motion by Brower and second of Pendergrass, the General Manager was authorized to sign the Application to Modify Cease and Desist Order WR 2009-0060 on behalf of the Board. The motion was approved on a unanimous vote of 7 – 0 by Brower, Pendergrass, Byrne, Clarke, Lewis, Markey and Potter.

The following comments were directed to the Board on this item. (1) Tom Rowley, MPTA, agreed with the need for the Board to take action. However, he stated that procedurally it may not be wise for the Water Management District and Cal-Am to be joint signatories to the application. (2) George Riley objected to section 3A2(ii) and (iii) of Attachment 1 to the Application to Modify. He stated that in order to avoid the loss of 1,000 acre-feet of water production for the community, the Water Management District would likely defend any failure of Cal-Am to meet a deadline.

There was no discussion of the Informational Items/Staff Reports.

# **ACTION ITEMS**

- 14. Consider Approval of Ground Lease with City of Seaside for Santa Margarita ASR Site Expansion
- 15. Consider Approval of Response to 2014-2015 Monterey County Grand Jury Report

16. Consider Approval of Proposal to Modify Cease and Desist Order 2009-0060

#### INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/STAFF REPORTS

- 17. Letters Received
- 18. Committee Report
- 19. Receive Notice of Appointments to Carmel River Advisory Committee
- 20. Carmel River Fishery Report for June 2015
- 21. Quarterly Carmel River Riparian



Corridor Management Program Report

- 22 Monthly Allocation Report
- 23. Water Conservation Program Report
- 24. Quarterly Water Use Credit Transfer Status Report
- 25. Monthly Water Supply and California American Water Production Report
- 26. Semi-Annual Groundwater Quality Monitoring Report

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

**ADJOURNMENT** 

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