



**Final Minutes
Special and Regular Meeting
Board of Directors
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District
September 16, 2024 at 6:00 P.M.**

Meeting Location: District Office, Main Conference Room
5 Harris Court, Building G, Monterey, CA 93940 AND
By Teleconferencing Means - *Zoom*

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Anderson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Board Members Present

Amy Anderson, Chair
George Riley, Vice Chair
Karen Paull – via Zoom
Mayor Ian Oglesby
Supervisor Mary Adams
Alvin Edwards
Marc Eisenhart

Board Members Absent

None

District Staff Members Present

Nishil Bali, Administrative Services Manager/ Chief
Financial Officer
Jonathan Lear, Water Resources Manager
Maureen Hamilton, District Engineer
Stephanie Locke, Water Demand Manager
Thomas Christensen, Environmental Resources Manager
Sara Reyes, Executive Assistant/Board Clerk

District Staff Members Absent

David Stoldt, General Manager

District Counsel Present

Michael Laredo, De Lay & Laredo

Fran Farina, De Lay & Laredo (*via Zoom*)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The assembly recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA

None. Nishil Bali, Chief Financial Officer, reported that General Manager David Stoldt is attending the WaterReuse California Award ceremony in Garden Grove, CA. The District and California American Water have been selected as winners in the category of Recycled Water Customer of the Year.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Chair Anderson opened Oral Communications; *the following comments were directed to the Board:*

- (1) Rick Heuer, President of the Monterey Peninsula Taxpayers Association (MPTA), urged the Board to cease spending public funds on lawsuits initiated by the MPTA. Mr. Heuer noted these lawsuits pertain to the collection of the Water Supply Charge from property owners served by the District.
- (2) Tom Rowley, echoed Rick Heuer's sentiments and urged the Board to take necessary action.

(3) Melodie Chrislock, asked when will the MPTA cease its lawsuits against the Water Management District.

No further comments were directed to the Board.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Chair Anderson introduced the matter.

Director Riley offered a motion with a second by Director Edwards, to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion passed by a roll call vote of 7-Ayes (Oglesby, Eisenhart, Anderson, Riley, Adams, Paull, and Edwards), and 0-Noes.

The following agenda items were accepted as part of the Consent Calendar:

- Consider Adoption of Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on August 19, 2024**
- Consider Adoption of Treasurer’s Report for July 2024**
- Consider Approval of the Fourth Quarter Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Investment Report**

PRESENTATION ON GIS PROJECTS

Nishil Bali, Chief Financial Officer/Administrative Services Manager, introduced the matter.

- Patrick Kelleher, the District’s GIS Consultant, provided a report on GIS projects via slide-deck presentation titled “Geographic Information System Status Report”. Mr. Kelleher discussed various components of ArcGIS and how GIS is used by the District. The Board engaged in discussions. *A copy of the presentation is available at the District office and can be found on the District website.*

GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT

Nishil Bali, Chief Financial Officer/Administrative Services Manager, reported that the General Manager will report on the following items at the October 21, 2024 Board meeting:

- Status Report on California American Water Compliance with State Water Resources Control Board Order 2016-0016 and Seaside Groundwater Basin Adjudication Decision
- Update on Water Supply Projects
- Update on Water Allocation Process

REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNSEL

Chair Anderson introduced the matter.

4. Report From District Counsel

District Counsel Michael Laredo referred to the memorandum dated September 11, 2024, and directed the Board to page 27 of the meeting packet. He then introduced District Counsel David Laredo, who reviewed the memorandum with the Board.

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

Chair Anderson introduced the matter.

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

- Directors Edwards, Anderson, Adams, and Paull reported that they attended the Water Allocation meeting on September 11, 2024, hosted by General Manager David Stoldt, which was also attended by city officials.

PUBLIC HEARING

Chair Anderson introduced the matter.

6. Consider Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance No. 195 Adding Rule 19.9 to Provide Informal Bidding Procedures Under the Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act

Maureen Hamilton, District Engineer provided information on this item via slide-deck presentation titled “Consider the Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance No. 195 Adding Rule 19.9 to Provide Informal Bidding Procedures Under the Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act”. The Board engaged in discussion. *A copy of the presentation is available at the District office and can be found on the District website.*

Chair Anderson opened the public comment; no comments were directed to the Board.

A motion was made by Director Eisenhart with a second by Director Riley to adopt Ordinance No. 195, adding Rule 19.9 to provide Informal Bidding Procedures under the Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act. The motion passed by a roll call vote of 7-Ayes (Oglesby, Eisenhart, Paull, Edwards, Riley, Adams and Anderson), and 0-Noes.

7. Consider Adoption of October through December 2024 Quarterly Water Supply Strategy and Budget

Jonathan Lear, Water Resources Manager provided information on this item via slide-deck presentation titled “Consider Adoption of Oct-Dec 2024 Quarterly Water Supply Strategy and Budget for California American Water”. The Board engaged in discussion. *A copy of the presentation is available at the District office and can be found on the District website.*

Chair Anderson opened the public comment; no comments were directed to the Board.

A motion was made by Director Adams with a second by Director Oglesby to adopt the October through December 2024 Quarterly Water Supply Strategy and Budget. The motion passed by a roll call vote of 7-Ayes (Oglesby, Eisenhart, Paull, Edwards, Riley, Adams, and Anderson), and 0-Noes.

8. Consider Adoption of Resolution No. 2024-11 Modifying rule 160 – Regulatory Water Production Targets for California American Water Systems

Jonathan Lear, Water Resources Manager provided information on this item via slide-deck presentation titled “Consider Adoption of Resolution Modifying Rule 160 – Regulatory Water Production Targets for California American Water Systems”. Mr. Lear outlined the specifics of Rule 160 and Tables XV-1, XV-2 and XV-3. The Board engaged in discussion. *A copy of the presentation is available at the District office and can be found on the District website.*

Chair Anderson opened the public comment; no comments were directed to the Board.

A motion was made by Director Oglesby with a second by Director Adams to adopt Resolution No. 2024-11 modifying Rule 160. The motion passed by a roll call vote of 7-Ayes (Oglesby, Paull, Eisenhart, Edwards, Riley, Adams, and Anderson), and 0-Noes.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/STAFF REPORTS

- 9. Report on Activity/Progress on Contracts Over \$25,000**
- 10. Status Report on Spending – Public’s Ownership of Monterey Water System**
- 11. Letters Received**
- 12. Committee Reports**
- 13. Monthly Allocation Report**
- 14. Water Conservation Program Report for August 2024**
- 15. Carmel River Fishery Report for August 2024**
- 16. Monthly Water Supply and California American Water Production Report**

These items were informational only and no action was taken. Copies of these reports are available at the District office and can be found on the District website.

RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEM

Chair Anderson opened the public comment; no comments were directed to the Board.

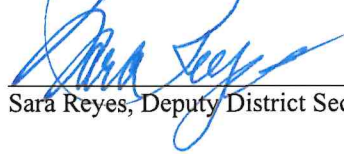
ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

**17. Monterey Peninsula Taxpayer' s Association, Inc., et al v MPWMD; Monterey County Superior Court
21CV003066 Sixth District Court of Appeal H051128**

Chair Anderson adjourned to closed session at 7:32 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:12 pm.



Sara Reyes, Deputy District Secretary

Minutes approved by the MPWMD Board of Directors on October 21, 2024