



REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MALAGA COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
3580 SOUTH FRANK STREET
FRESNO, CALIFORNIA 93725
Tuesday, February 23rd, 2016 at 6:00PM

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PLEASE SUBMIT ALL CORRESPONDENCE FOR THE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING PRIOR TO THE MEETING, WITH A COPY TO THE DISTRICT OFFICE, (DEADLINE: 12:00PM FRIDAY PRIOR TO NEXT MEETING).

1. Call to Order:

2. Roll Call:

2A. **Directors Present:** President Charles Garabedian, Jr.; Vice President Salvador Cerrillo; Director Irma Castaneda; Director Frank Cerrillo, Jr.; Director Carlos Tovar, Jr.

2B. Legal Counsel Neal Constanzo, Engineer Michael G. Taylor and Norma Melendez.

3. Certification: Certification was made that the Board Meeting Agenda was posted 72 hours in advance of the meeting.

4. Minutes: Enclosed are the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of Tuesday, February 9th, 2016

5. Consent Agenda. The items listed below in the Consent Agenda are routine in nature and are usually approved by a single vote. Prior to any action by the Board of Directors, any Board member may remove an item from the consent agenda for further discussion. Items removed from the Consent Agenda may be heard immediately following approval of the Consent Agenda or set aside for discussion and action after Regular Business.

- 4. Minutes
- 8. Regular Business

Recommended action: To approve the Consent Agenda as presented or amended.

Motion by Vice President Cerrillo, Second by Director Cerrillo, and by a 5-0 vote, approved the Minutes of the Consent Agenda as presented.

6. Old Business:

- a. **High Speed Rail.** The District received updated design plans for the HSR project related to the proposal for acquisition of District property adjacent to the WWTF. The District Engineer is developing a counter-proposal.

Recommended action: For information and discussion.

Discussion was held, no reportable action was taken.

- b. **WWTF Gate.** Proposals are submitted to consider modifications to the WWTF gate. R&S has two quotes, one to replace the existing gate with a sliding gate, and another to build a 40' entry way and a sliding gate. Those proposals pending but will be available for the meeting. Fence Masters provided a quote for the 40' entry way and sliding gate for \$16,020.00.
Recommended action: For consideration and discussion whether or not to make these improvements to the WWTF gate.
Motion by Vice President Cerrillo, Second by Director Cerrillo, and by a 5-0 vote to approve improvements on the WWTF Gate. Accepting R&S offer of \$12,050.00 to modify the gate.
- c. **Sewer Cleaning and Inspection.** Downstream Services has prepared a proposal to clean and inspect the first phase of a three phase plan to clean and inspect a portion of the District's wastewater collection system. Other portions of the system are not included in the three phase plan. Cost is \$46,115.00.
Recommended action: For consideration and discussion.
Board Members in need of other proposals from other Sewer Cleaning and Inspection companies to make the best decision. Preferably a company that is local.
- d. **Wrecked Ford Ranger Pick-Up.** The General Manager misunderstood the status of the wrecked truck. It is still the property of the District, but can be sold for salvage for \$500. SDRMA is looking into whether the truck could be covered by liability insurance if the District chooses to repair it for further use.
Recommended action: For information and discussion.
The General Manager was instructed to salvage the truck for \$500.
- e. **Solar Power.** The Solar City proposal is still under consideration. Borrego Solar is developing both a PPA and a purchase to own agreement for solar power.
Recommended action: For information and discussion.
Discussion was held, no reportable action was taken.

7. New Business:

- a. **3332 S Peach Ave.** Mrs. Vera Allbritton at that address applied for a well drilling permit that was disapproved due to the proximity of District water service on the frontage to the property. She has applied for annexation and water service.
Recommendation: For information and discussion.
Discussion was held, no reportable action was taken.
- b. **Air Products Cooling Tower Maintenance.** Air Products requested an "exemption" to their wastewater discharge permit to conduct cooling tower cleaning. That process involves applying chemicals to the cooling tower for "passivation for seasoning, pre-cleaning, and passivation/pre-filming". The request for exemption was to discharge chemicals into the wastewater collection system during those processes. The request for exemption was denied, that all discharge must comply with their discharge permit at all times, and that Air Products notify the District of the schedule for each event in order to monitor wastewater discharge during those periods. Air Products replied that they will decide and advise whether or not they will perform the process.
Recommended action: For information and discussion.
Discussion was held, no reportable action was taken.

8. Regular Business:

- a. **Accounts Payable:** No report for this meeting.
- b. **Financial Statement:** No report for this meeting.
- c. **Recreation Reports:**
 - 1) Events Coordinator: Report pending.
 - 2) Sports Coordinator: Report pending.

9. Engineer Reports:

- a. District Engineer Report.
 - 1) **Funding.** Proposition 1 includes opportunities for funding of water facility improvements. The District has determined to submit an application for water meters (new and replacement). Grant and loan funding is available. The final criteria for determination of grant funds has not been completed by the State, however, economically disadvantaged communities have a significant opportunity for grant funds.
Recommended Action: Adopt the attached Resolution 02-23-2016 that designates the Authorized Representatives of the District.

Motion by Vice President Cerrillo and Seconded by Director Castaneda, and by a vote of 5-0 accepted the action to adopt Resolution 02-23-2016.
 - 2) A copy of the District Engineer's report is included for information.
- b. CDBG Engineer Report: No report for this meeting.
- c. Compliance Engineer Report: No report for this meeting.

10. General Manager's Report:

- a. Hope For Now Youth banquet is Thursday, 25 February at 5:30
 - b. ACWA 2016 Spring Conference in Monterey 3-6 May; register by 8 April
 - c. Gopher/mole holes at the park.
 - d. Status of new rate billing and financial management audit.
 - e. Status of NKGSA.
 - f. Well 8 is back on-line
 - g. Baffles for WWTF secondary clarifier have arrived
 - h. Other reports
- Discussion was held, no reportable action taken.**

11. President's Report:

12. Vice President's Report:

13. Director's Reports:

Director Castaneda proposes to bring entertainment for the children of the community in the Recreation Area during the summer months. President Garabedian, Jr. suggested a special meeting for 02-29-2016 to inspect the facility to see what supplies will be needed.

14. Legal Counsel Report:

15. Communications:

- a. Written Communications: No written correspondence for this meeting.
**Special Election will be conducted in the Recreation Room on April, 2016 to elect new assemblyman to replace Henry T. Perea.
Donation will be made to a scholarship fund to a senior student or students that are attending Fowler High School, and that live in Malaga.**

Public Comment Limitations. All Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes or less per individual per item, with a fifteen (15) minutes maximum per group per item.

16. Closed Session: 8:08pm

- a. **Conference With Legal Counsel; Potential Litigation (Government Code §54956.9)**
 1. **No reportable action.**
- b. **Conference With Labor Negotiator; Position: General Manager (Government Code §54957.6)**
 1. **Legal Counsel to prepare second renewal of the General Manager's contract, effective 22 Feb 2016. .**

17. Adjournment:

Meeting Adjourned at: 9:00pm.

Motion by Vice President Cerrillo, Second by Director Frank Cerrillo, Jr.