



REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MALAGA COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
3580 SOUTH FRANK STREET
FRESNO, CALIFORNIA 93725
Tuesday, November 22, 2016 at 6:00PM

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Please submit all written correspondence for the Board of Directors by 12:00 pm the Friday **prior** to the meeting. Please deliver or mail to the District Clerk.

1. Call to Order:

2. Roll Call: President Charles Garabedian, Jr.; Vice President Salvador Cerrillo; Director Irma Castaneda; Director Frank Cerrillo, Jr.; Director Carlos Tovar, Jr.

All Present.

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

4. 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.

- a. Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of 3 November 2016.
- b. Minutes of the Town Hall Meeting on 15 November 2016.

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

For accuracy and compliance, the Minutes will now be posted after approval by the board. Motion by Vice President Cerrillo; Second by Director Cerrillo, Jr. to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

5. Old Business:

- a. **Groundwater Study.** An agreement with GSI Water Solutions Inc has been reviewed to provide services for a groundwater study to meet the requirements of the SGMA. The cost of the study is \$78,895. The budget provided for \$100,000 for this study to be paid from the water sustainability surcharge. Task 1 consists of a technical memorandum, a water budget compiled and described, and the data provided to the North Kings GSA for incorporation into the regional GSP. Task 1 will be completed within 10 weeks. Task 2 consists of various tasks to integrate the District's data into future models to be determined by the NKGSA. Completion of both tasks is contained in the cost of the study.

Recommended action: To approve the agreement with GSI.

Motion by Director Castaneda; Second by Director Tovar, Jr. to approve agreement with GSI.

6. New Business:

- a. **CWSRF Planning Grant Application.** Proposition 1 provides for a grant of up to \$500,000 for the purpose of developing a plan for wastewater and pretreatment compliance and sustainability. The General Manager requests authorization of an expenditure of no more than \$25,000 to contract an engineer to prepare the grant application through the SWQRCB FAAS system. The source of the expenditure is from the \$135,850 sewer surcharge for compliance and sustainability contained in the budget. It is expected that the application can be completed within 30 days.

Recommended action. That an expenditure of not more than \$25,000 be authorized to prepare an application for the CWSRF Planning grant.

Motion by: Vice President Cerrillo; Second by Director Tovar, Jr. to authorize an expenditure of not more than \$25,000 be used to prepare an application for the CWSRF Planning grant.

- b. **Standing Public Relations Committee.** The District P&P Manual provides for a standing Public Relations Committee. In light of the recent Town Hall Meeting, it is recommended that Board members for an ad hoc Public Relations Committee be selected or rotated to coordinate community efforts to develop a Neighborhood Watch program and a Citizens On Patrol program in coordination with the Fresno County Sheriff.

Recommended action: Pleasure of the Board.

The Board of Directors will be conducting a work shop on the second week of December to develop an ad-hoc committee to initiate the Neighborhood Watch and Citizens On Patrol programs. Follow up meetings will follow at the beginning of January, 2017.

7. **Recreation Reports:** To be submitted at the meeting.

The Recreation Center Director, Romana Campos, reported great participation for the free Thanksgiving Luncheon, provided by the District. There was about 180 people in attendance. Nine turkey were donated by Jerry Steward from Custom Ag Formulators, which were raffled at the luncheon. Programs for December were announced, which include the Christmas Toy Drive, Christmas Tree Lighting and the Christmas Parade.

RCD and the General Manager, Jim Anderson, met with Sally Tripp from the USDA regarding a grant for community facilities Projects at the Malaga Park. A decision by the Board will be made on which projects are high priority. More information will be gathered to present to the Board.

8. Engineer Reports:

- a. District Engineer Report. No new report for this meeting.
- b. CDBG Engineer Report: No new report for this meeting.

9. General Manager's Report:

- a. Department reports.

10. President's Report:

President Garabedian, Jr. came into contact with Tim Bakman from Bakman Water Company, who is requesting a letter of recommendation from MCWD to fill the empty seat that would like to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

11. Vice President's Report:

12. Director's Reports:

Director Cerrillo, Jr. along with the Board Members would like to thank Lizz, Lupe, Romana and the Recreation Committee for bringing the community together for the annual Thanksgiving luncheon.

Director Castaneda spoke to a young lady who is part of a woman's soccer league. After speaking to her, and seeing enthusiasm from other members of the community, she would like to see a woman's soccer team from Malaga.

13. Legal Counsel Report:

In closed session.

14. Communications:

- a. Written Communications:
- b. Public Comments. All comments will be limited to three minutes or less per individual per item, with a fifteen minutes maximum per group per item.

15. Closed Session: 8:25 p.m.

- a. Potential Litigation. The potential for litigation exists relative to the implementation of new Local Limits on commercial and industrial wastewater dischargers. For discussion with counsel.

No reportable action.

16. Adjournment:

Motion by Vice President Cerrillo, Second by Director Cerrillo, Jr. and a 5-0 vote to adjourn the meeting at 9:09 p.m.