



REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING of the
MALAGA COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
ARRIAGA COMMUNITY CENTER
3582 SOUTH WINERY AVE
FRESNO, CALIFORNIA 93725
Tuesday, March 8, 2022, at 5:00PM

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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.
- ❖ Public comments are limited to three (3) minutes or less per individual per item, with a fifteen (15) minute maximum per group per item and will be heard during the communication portion of the agenda.

1. Call to Order: 5:11pm

2. **Roll Call:** President Charles Garabedian, Jr.; Vice President Salvador Cerrillo; Director Irma Castaneda; Director Frank Cerrillo, Jr.; Director Carlos Tovar, Jr.
Vice President Cerrillo not present at roll call. The VP arrived at 5:33pm.
Also Present: Neal Costanzo, Norma Melendez and Moises Ortiz.

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

4. Old Business:

- a. **Park and Recreation Center.** Walk through and continued discussion of park upgrades and repairs.

For Discussion.

Board of Directors and those present walked around the park to discuss projects around the park, including re-pavement of the parking lot, picnic areas and landscape. Discussion was held. No reportable action.

- b. **Fisher Investments.** Presentation from Matthew Cooksey who will briefly touch on the most pertinent parts of the firm and services, key areas they will make improvements for the company plan, and touch upon the original goals of creating the combination plans for both Employee and Company benefit.

For information.

A brief presentation for the board to become familiar about the new retirement plan structure for District employees. Board of Directors is glad the district is moving in this direction.

5. New Business:

- a. **Scholarships.** To discuss monetary amount for the Fowler High School scholarships. Eligibility criteria and essay topic has been submitted to Michelle Khan, Assistant Principal of Fowler HS.

For discussion and potential action.

Board unanimously agreed to raise the scholarship amount to \$1,500. Direction given to the general manager to invite members to the scholarship committee who will read student essays and select scholarship winners.

- b. **Motion by Director Cerrillo, Second by Director Castaneda and a 5-0 vote to add Cultural Event discussion to the agenda.**

Edgar Ortiz called in to the meeting to discuss potential event for the first weekend in May. Individual reported the plans for the cultural event, objectives, and needs for this event. The board of directors gave the general manager to meet with Edgar the week of the 14th and to visit the park and discuss this topic further, in person.

6. Incorporation Reports: None for this meeting.

7. Recreation Reports:

Recreation meeting was held on March 7 to discuss the recreation committee bingo. Recreation staff to purchase 150 easter baskets and easter items for the Easter program of April 2.

8. Engineer Reports:

- a. District Engineer Report: A memorandum has been submitted of updates and information. For Discussion. **Nothing to report.**
- b. CDBG Engineer Report: none for this meeting.

9. General Manager's Report:

- a. Agreement for payment of water connection fees and cost.
- b. WWTF. Confined space training in preparation for lift station rehab.
- c. Rags, soap and grease a current problem at the wastewater plant.
- d. Recreation- back door at center needs to be replaced. Not closing.
- e. Pretreatment- Greentech is in full compliance.

10. President's Report: None for this meeting.

11. Vice President's Report: None for this meeting.

12. Director's Reports: None for this meeting.

13. Legal Counsel Report: None for this meeting.

14. Communications:

a. Written Communications: **None for this meeting.**

b. Public Comment: *The Public may address the Malaga County Water District Board on item(s) of interest within the jurisdiction of the Board, not appearing on the agenda. The Board will listen to comments presented; however, in compliance with the Brown Act, the Board cannot take action on items that are not on the agenda. The public should address the Board on agenda items at the time they are addressed by the Board. All speakers are requested to wait until recognized by the Board President. All Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes or less per individual/group per item per meeting, with a fifteen (15) minutes maximum.*

15. 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 February 22, 2022.
- b. Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of March 2, 2022.
- c. Financial Statements and Accounts Payable Reports.

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

Motion by Vice President Cerrillo; Second by Director Cerrillo, Jr. and by a 5-0 vote to approve the consent agenda as presented.

16. Closed Session: None for this meeting.

17. Adjournment:

Motion by Director Castaneda, Second by Director Cerrillo, Jr. and by a 5-0 vote to adjourn the meeting at 7:19pm

Certification of Posting

I, Norma Melendez, District Clerk of the Malaga County Water District, do hereby certify that the foregoing minutes for the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of March 08, 2022 was posted for public view on the front window of the MCWD office at 3580 S. Frank Street, Fresno Ca 93725, on 03/25/2022.

Norma Melendez
Norma Melendez, District Clerk