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**MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MONTECITO WATER DISTRICT
583 SAN YSIDRO ROAD, MONTECITO, CALIFORNIA**

**TUESDAY, MAY 24, 2022
9:30 A.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

President Plough called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

Participants attended in person and remotely via Zoom.

Directors Participating: Ken Coates, Brian Goebel, Cori Hayman, Tobe Plough, and Floyd Wicks
(all participated in person)

Staff Participating:

Nick Turner, General Manager

Adam Kanold, Asst. GM/Engineering Mgr.

Olivia Rojas, Business Manager

Ray Willefert

Laura Camp, Public Information Officer

Robert Cohen, General Counsel

Rob Donlan, Special Counsel

Guests Attending:

Lisa Murphy Rivas (Zoom)

Wgarrett (Zoom)

Bob Hazard (Zoom)

Guest, no name (in-person)

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Those participating recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. PUBLIC FORUM

The following members of the public spoke on matters not on the agenda.

Bob Hazard – Commended the recent work of the District’s Public Information Officer, Laura Camp.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

Director Hayman requested Items 4-F be pulled from the Consent Calendar for further discussion.

- A. Meeting Minutes of April 26, 2022
- B. Meeting Minutes of May 11, 2022
- C. Payment of Bills for April 2022
- D. Investment of District Funds for April 2022
- E. Water Works Operations Report for April 2022
- F. Extension of Resolution 2225 authorizing remote teleconference meetings
- G. Change Orders for East Valley Road Water Main Replacement Project

Following discussion, it was moved by Director Coates, seconded by Director Goebel and carried, with Directors Coates, Goebel, Hayman, Plough and Wicks voting in favor, to approve the Consent Calendar as presented, with the exception of Item 4-F.

Following further discussion on Item 4-F, it was moved by Director Goebel, seconded by Director Coates and carried, with Directors Coates, Goebel, Plough and Wicks voting in favor and Director Hayman opposed.

6. DISTRICT OPERATIONS AND GENERAL MANAGER REPORTS

- A. INFORMATION ONLY: Update on progress reaching the District's 20% water use reduction target

Mr. Turner presented this item via PowerPoint and responded to questions from Directors.

- B. BOARD ACTION: Consideration of additional drought response actions in response to State Water Resources Control Board draft order mandating enhanced water use reductions

Mr. Turner presented this item via PowerPoint and responded to questions from Directors. Following discussion, direction was provided to Mr. Turner to develop an updated drought ordinance to include a water shortage condition stage, and water use restrictions, in compliance with the SWRCB Emergency Regulation, and to present the proposed drought ordinance to the Board of Directors ahead of the June 10, 2022 deadline for consideration and approval. No action was taken by the Board.

- C. BOARD ACTION: Ratification of the Cachuma Operations and Maintenance Board (COMB) Lake Cachuma Emergency Pumping Facility Secured Pipeline Project pursuant to Section 1.3 of the 1996 COMB Joint Powers Agreement

Mr. Turner presented this item and responded to questions from Directors. Following discussion, it was moved by Director Coates, seconded by Director Wicks and carried, with Directors Coates, Goebel, Hayman, Plough, and Wicks voting in favor, to ratify the Cachuma Operations and Maintenance Board Lake Cachuma Emergency Pumping Facility Secured Pipeline Project pursuant to Section 1.3 of the 1996 COMB Joint Powers Agreement

D. INFORMATION ONLY: Public Information Update

Ms. Camp presented this item via PowerPoint and responded to questions from Directors.

E. INFORMATION ONLY: General Manager's Report

Mr. Turner presented this item and responded to questions from Directors. Additionally, Mr. Kanold provided an update on the East Valley Road Water Main Replacement Project and East Valley Road at Cota Lane Water Main Replacement Project.

7. DISTRICT BUSINESS REPORT

A. INFORMATION ONLY: Unaudited Monthly Financial Reports for April 2022

Ms. Rojas presented this item via PowerPoint and responded to questions from Directors.

B. BOARD ACTION: Ratification of CCRB Fiscal Year 2023 Budget

Mr. Turner presented this item and responded to questions from Directors. Following discussion, it was moved by Director Coates, seconded by Director Goebel and carried, with Directors Coates, Goebel, Hayman, Plough, and Wicks voting in favor, to ratify the Cachuma Conservation Release Board (CCRB) FY 2023 Budget with the District's portion in the amount of \$160,876.

C. INFORMATION ONLY: Fiscal Year 2022 Budget Workshop

Ms. Rojas presented this item via PowerPoint and responded to questions from Directors.

D. INFORMATION ONLY: Update on receipt of reimbursement amounts and/or settlement proceeds related to the December 2018/January 2018 Thomas Fire and Debris Flow disaster

Mr. Kanold presented this item via PowerPoint and responded to questions from Directors.

8. DIRECTOR AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. President's Report: Director Plough reported on his attendance at the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) Spring Conference in Sacramento in early May 2022.

B. Central Coast Water Authority (CCWA): Director Coates reported an update on supplemental water purchase opportunities available through CCWA's 2022 Supplemental Water Purchase Program including the opportunities with Mojave Water Agency and San Luis Obispo County.

C. Santa Barbara County Special Districts Association: No report.

D. Cachuma Operation and Maintenance Board: Director Hayman reported that COMB is pursuing the relocation of about 100 fish on the Santa Ynez River downstream of Bradbury Dam due to lack of water resulting from drought. She also reported that Lake Cachuma is at 44% of full storage capacity.

- E. Cachuma Conservation Release Board: No report.
- F. Operations & Customer Relations Committee: Director Wicks reported that all items discussed by the Committee were included on this agenda. No further report was provided.
- G. Finance Committee: No report.
- H. Strategic Planning Committee: No report.

9. LEGAL MATTERS

A. Recent and Pending Legal Matters Review – Oral Report

No report was given.

The Board adjourned to closed session on the following matters at 12:52 p.m.

B. CLOSED SESSION: Pursuant to Government Code 54956.9(d)(2) Conference with Legal counsel – Anticipated Litigation, 1 case

The Board received a report from counsel; no action was taken.

C. CLOSED SESSION: Pursuant to Government Code 54956.9(d)(4) Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation, 1 case

The Board received a report from counsel; no action was taken.

D. CLOSED SESSION: Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6 Conference with Labor Negotiators

Agency designated representatives: Nicholas Turner, Grant Burton
Employee organization: SEIU local 620

The Board received a report from labor negotiators; no action was taken.

The Board reconvened in open session at 2:19 p.m.

10. DIRECTOR REQUESTS

Directors requested the following items be included on a future agenda:

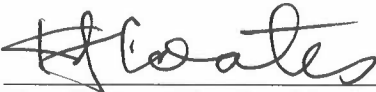
- Discussion on potential uses of surplus revenue from FY 2022
- Discussion on future financing of Capital Improvement Projects
- Review of security at District facilities

There were no other requests from Directors for items other than regular agenda items for the next regular Board meeting scheduled for Tuesday, June 28, 2022, or any future meeting.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Approved:



Ken Coates, Vice President

Attest:



Nick Turner, Secretary