

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MESA CONSOLIDATED WATER DISTRICT
1965 Placentia Avenue, Costa Mesa, CA
Tuesday, March 23, 2010
7:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order on March 23, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. by President Dewane at the District Office Boardroom, located at 1965 Placentia Avenue, Costa Mesa, California.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Bockmiller led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Directors Present

Shawn Dewane, President
Fred R. Bockmiller, First Vice President
James F. Atkinson, Vice President
Jim Fisler, Vice President
Trudy Ohlig-Hall, Vice President

Directors Absent

None

Staff Present

Paul E. Shoenberger, P.E., General Manager
Coleen L. Monteleone, Administrative Services Manager/
District Secretary
Victoria L. Beatley, Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer
Robert R. McVicker, District Engineer
Jerry Vilander, Water Operations Manager
Barbara Wiseman, Human Resources Manager
Barry Carlson, Conservation/Customer Service Supervisor
Epuni Hinnebush, Customer Service Representative I
Rob Anslow, Attorney, Bowie, Arneson, Wiles & Giannone

Others Present

None

President Dewane presented Director Fisler a pin as a new Director. Photographs were taken.

General Manager Shoenberger noted that we were very excited to have our newest employee at the Board meeting this evening. He ask Conservation/Customer Service Supervisor Barry Carlson to introduce Mesa's newest employee, Epuni Hinnebush. He noted that Ms. Hinnebush has a degree in Hospitality Management and eight years of experience in the water and power customer service area.

Ms. Hinnebush addressed the Board providing information about her academic career and work experience. She thanked the Board for the opportunity to address the Board and noted that in her three weeks at the District she has found the employees extremely friendly and Mesa seems like a good organization to work for.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

President Dewane invited members of the public to address the Board of Directors (Board) on matters that were not on the agenda. There being none, President Dewane proceeded with the meeting.

ITEMS TO BE ADDED, WITHDRAWN, OR REORDERED ON THE AGENDA

President Dewane recommended moving the Closed Session to the end of the meeting. There were no objections.

Director Atkinson recommended to modify future agendas and place the Closed Session(s) at the end of the meeting. Direction was given to staff to implement the recommended change on all future agenda.

I. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS:

All matters on the Consent Calendar will be approved by one motion unless a Board member, staff, or a member of the public requests a separate action.

- A. Approve minutes of regular Board meeting of March 9, 2010.
- B. Approve attendance considerations (additions, changes, deletions).
 - 1. Huntington Beach Seawater Desalination Facility Project Update; Huntington Beach, CA; March 24, 2010
 - 2. ACWA Region 5; Vandenberg Air Force Base Tour; April 12, 2010
- C. Board Schedule:
 - 1. Tentative Meeting Topics
 - 2. Conference, Seminars, and Meetings
 - 3. Board Calendar
- D. Approve holding the 50th Anniversary Employee Event from 6 – 9 p.m. on October 21, 2010 at Scott's Seafood in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.
- E. Approve hosting a 50th Anniversary VIP Event at the District Office on September 30, 2010 1:30 – 3:30 p.m., in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.
- F. Approve Mesa's sponsorship in the Costa Mesa Community Run.
- G. Approve the Costa Mesa Community Run Bottled Water request.
- H. Approve discontinuation of the Bottled Water Program.
- I. Approve Donning Company Publishers to produce a historical book for Mesa's 50th Anniversary in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.
- J. Receive the February 2010 Investment Transaction Report.
- K. Receive the FY10 Second Quarter Financial Report.
- L. Approve Amendment Number 2 to Agreement By and Between Mesa Consolidated Water District, The City of Huntington Beach and Orange County Water District for Interruptible Potable Water Service to Talbert Barrier Facilities.
- M. Approve a professional services contract with Clark & Green Associates for an amount not to exceed \$46,200 to develop a conceptual landscape interpretive design and plan for the

expansion of the Colored Water Treatment Facility, approve a \$46,200 appropriation from Working Capital Cash, and authorize the General Manager to execute the contract.

MOTION 2010-32

Motion by Director Ohlig-Hall, seconded by Director Bockmiller, to approve the addition of Item I. B. 2, ACWA Region 5, Vandenberg Air Force Base Tour, April 12, 2010 to the Consent Calendar as the matter arose after the agenda was posted and action is required prior to the next Board Meeting. Motion passed 5-0.

MOTION 2010-33

Motion by Director Atkinson, seconded by Director Ohlig-Hall, to approve the Consent Calendar as amended. Motion passed 5-0.

II. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:

No Items.

III. ACTION ITEMS:

- A. PROCLAMATION HONORING KAY ROJEK UPON HER RETIREMENT FROM THE MESA CONSOLIDATED WATER DISTRICT AND FOR HER MORE THAN 25 YEARS OF SERVICE:

General Manager Shoenberger reported that Ms. Rojek's retirement party is being held on Thursday, April 1, 2010 at 3:30 p.m. All Board members are invited.

MOTION 2010-34

Motion by Director Bockmiller, seconded by Director Ohlig-Hall, to approve the Proclamation Honoring Kay Rojek Upon Her Retirement from The Mesa Consolidated Water District and For Her More Than 25 Years of Service. Motion passed 5-0

- B. MESA CONSOLIDATED WATER DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION ANNUAL MEETING:

RECESS

President Dewane declared a recess at 7:15 p.m. to conduct the Mesa Consolidated Water District Improvement Corporation Annual Meeting. The Board of Directors meeting reconvened at 7:19 p.m.

- C. CLOSED SESSION:

Item C was moved to the end of the meeting.

IV. REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS:

A. REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER:

1. February Key Indicators Report
2. Items of general interest:
 - ◆ Other
 - General Manager Shoenberger met with the following: Ken Vecchiarelli, General Manager, Yorba Linda Water District; David Kiff, City Manager, City of Newport Beach and Paul Jones, General Manager, Irvine Ranch Water District
 - President Dewane and General Manager Shoenberger met with IRWD Director John Withers regarding Banning Ranch.
 - Job shadowing continues: with Stan Kennedy, Water Maintenance Supervisor and Wendy Duncan, Records Management Specialist.
 - CalDesal: Attended a Dana Point Desal meeting, MWDOC Water Policy Forum, and Metropolitan Water District personnel.
 - Met with Mesa's Employee Association.
 - A Children's Water Festival to be held at the Richard Nixon Library on March 24 and 25.
 - The ACWA Spring Meeting in May 2010 is in Monterey. Four directors and the General Manager have made arrangements to attend the conference.
 - Met with Joyce Crosthwaite of LAFCO to discuss several small islands that are currently serviced by Mesa, but not officially annexed into Mesa's service area. Discussions will continue regarding possible annexations.
 - Staff is working on the FY11 Budget for presentation to the Board.

B. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Director Atkinson attended the following meetings:
 - a. Engineering and Operations Committee Meeting, 3/11
 - b. Finance Committee Meeting, 3/18
The Committee reviewed disbursements to Directors and employees as reported on the Accounts Paid Listing" per California Government Code Section 53065.5.
2. Director Ohlig-Hall attended the following meeting:
 - a. 50th Anniversary ad hoc Committee Meeting, 3/11
3. President Dewane attended the following meetings:
 - a. Special Public Information Committee Meeting, 3/12
 - b. Executive Committee Meeting, 3/19

C. DIRECTORS' REPORTS AND COMMENTS:

1. Director Atkinson attended the following meeting:
 - a. OCWD Meeting, 3/17
 - b. Other

2. Director Ohlig-Hall attended the following meetings.
 - a. MWDOC Water Policy Forum, 3/10
 - b. California's Comprehensive Water Package, 3/12
 - c. MWDOC Public Affairs & Legislation Committee Meeting, 3/15
 - Director Ohlig-Hall asked for direction from counsel regarding Mesa's ability to support proposed legislation, i.e. an upcoming water bond.

Attorney Anslow commented that the Board can adopt a resolution in support or against legislation, but the District cannot expend funds to lobby or campaign for or against a proposed bill. Mesa's obligation is to provide neutral information.
 - d. ACWA Legislative Symposium, 3/17
 - e. Other
 - Director Ohlig-Hall asked for the issue of Non-profit donations to be brought before the Board for discussion. Staff was directed to add the issue to the next agenda for consideration.

3. Director Fisler attended the following meeting:
 - a. LAFCO Meeting. 3/10
 - b. MWDOC Meeting, 3/17 (Did not attend this meeting.)
 - c. Other

4. Director Bockmiller attended the following meeting:
 - a. MWDOC Water Policy Forum, 3/10
 - b. Other
 - Director Bockmiller mentioned that Monday was United Nations World Water Day. This is celebrated on March 22 of each year and suggested that Mesa promote the day next year.

5. President Dewane attended the following meetings:
 - a. MWDOC Water Policy Forum, 3/10
 - b. ACWA Legislative Symposium, 3/17
 - c. Other – President Dewane asked that the State Water Bond issue be discussed at the next Executive Committee meeting and then brought forward to the Board.

RECESS

President Dewane declared a recess at 8:25 p.m. The Board of Directors meeting reconvened at 8:34 p.m.

III. ACTION ITEMS:

President Dewane announced that the Board of Directors was going into Closed Session at 8:34 p.m.

C. CLOSED SESSION:

1. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS –
PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.8:
Property: Capital Project # CM-394 (OC-44 feeder)
District Negotiator: General Manager
Negotiating Parties: Poseidon Resources
Under Negotiation: Possible use of Mesa Consolidated Water District property by an outside company for purposes of delivering desalinated potable water to other agencies.
2. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS –
PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.8:
Property: 1965 Placentia Avenue
District Negotiator: General Manager
Negotiating Parties: Costa Mesa Sanitary District
Under Negotiation: Possible use of district facilities for purposes of fleet maintenance.
3. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS –
PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.8:
Property: APN 140-041-55
District Negotiator: General Manager
Negotiating Parties: C. J. Segerstrom & Sons, LLC
Under Negotiation: Possible purchase of property for well site.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION.

The Board returned to Open Session at 8:54 p.m.

Attorney Anslow announced that the Board conducted three Closed Sessions. Each Closed Session was conducted pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8. The Board received information, gave direction and no other announcement was made.

V. INFORMATION ITEMS:

A. ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST:


1. General Manager's Weekly Reports
2. Thank you letter for bottled water donations from the following:
 - South Coast Counseling Inc., letter dated 03/09/10
3. Groundwater Producers' Meeting Minutes for 03/10/10.

President Dewane adjourned the meeting at 8:55 p.m. to the regular Board meeting scheduled for Tuesday, April 13, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

Approved:



Shawn Dewane, President



Coleen L. Monteleone, District Secretary

Recording Secretary: Sharon D. Brimer