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**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MESA WATER DISTRICT  
Wednesday, June 24, 2020  
1965 Placentia Avenue, Costa Mesa, CA 92627  
3:30 p.m. Adjourned Regular Board Meeting**

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**BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMITTEE MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order at 3:32 p.m. by President Dewane.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Vice President DePasquale led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Directors Present

Shawn Dewane, President *(teleconference)*  
Marice H. DePasquale, Vice President *(teleconference)*  
Jim Atkinson, Director *(teleconference)*  
Fred R. Bockmiller, P.E., Director *(teleconference)*  
James R. Fisler, Director *(teleconference)*

Directors Absent

None

Staff Present

Paul E. Shoenberger, P.E., General Manager *(teleconference)*  
Phil Lauri, P.E., Assistant General Manager *(teleconference)*  
Denise Garcia, Administrative Services Manager/  
District Secretary  
Wendy Duncan, Records Management Specialist/  
Assistant District Secretary  
Marwan Khalifa, CPA, MBA, Chief Financial Officer/  
District Treasurer  
Stacie Sheek, Customer Services Manager *(teleconference)*  
Tracy Manning, Water Operations Manager *(teleconference)*  
Kurt Lind, Business Administrator *(teleconference)*  
Celeste Carrillo, Public Affairs Coordinator *(teleconference)*

Others Present

Jonathan Aparicio, IT Support Engineer, T2 Tech Group  
Mitch Barker, Executive Vice President, Public Agency  
Retirement Services *(teleconference)*  
Keith Stribling, CFA, Vice President/Senior Portfolio Manager  
HighMark Capital Management, Inc. *(teleconference)*

President Dewane stated that the Board of Directors was attending the meeting via teleconference per Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20 which suspended certain provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act.

President Dewane stated that for each action, a roll call vote was taken in accordance with California Government Code Section 54953 (b)(2) which states, "all votes taken during a teleconferenced meeting shall be by roll call."

President Dewane proceeded with the meeting.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

President Dewane asked for public comments on items not on the agenda.

There was no public present and President Dewane proceeded with the meeting.

## **ITEMS TO BE ADDED, REMOVED, OR REORDERED ON THE AGENDA**

General Manager Shoenberger reported there were no items to be added, removed, or reordered on the agenda.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS:**

Approve all matters under the Consent Calendar by one motion unless a Board member, staff, or a member of the public requests a separate action.

1. Receive and file the Developer Project Status Report.
2. Receive and file the Mesa Water and Other Agency Projects Status Report.
3. Receive and file the Water Quality Call Report.
4. Receive and file the Water Operations Status Report.
5. Receive and file the Accounts Paid Listing.
6. Receive and file the Monthly Financial Reports.
7. Receive and file the Major Staff Projects.
8. Receive and file the State Advocacy Update.

Director Atkinson pulled Item 5 for discussion. There were no objections.

### **MOTION**

Motion by Director Bockmiller, second by Vice President DePasquale, to approve Items 1 - 4 and 6 - 8 of the Consent Calendar. Motion passed 5-0, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: DIRECTORS Atkinson, Bockmiller, Fisler, DePasquale, Dewane  
NOES: DIRECTORS None  
ABSTAIN: DIRECTORS None  
ABSENT: DIRECTORS None

Item 5 – Receive and file the Accounts Paid Listing.

Staff responded to questions from the Board regarding the Accounts Paid Listing.

### **MOTION**

Motion by Director Atkinson, second by Director Bockmiller, to approve Item 5 of the Consent Calendar. Motion passed 5-0, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: DIRECTORS Atkinson, Bockmiller, Fisler, DePasquale, Dewane  
NOES: DIRECTORS None  
ABSTAIN: DIRECTORS None  
ABSENT: DIRECTORS None

**ACTION ITEMS:**

None.

**PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

9. PENSION & OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS TRUST UPDATE:

Chief Financial Officer Khalifa introduced Public Agency Retirement Services Executive Vice President Mitch Barker who provided a presentation that highlighted the following:

- Summary of Agency's OPEB Plan
- OPEB Actuarial Results
- Summary of Agency's Pension Plan
- Pension Funding Status
- Projected Employer Contributions
- Annualized Return Comparison
- Disclosures

Mr. Barker responded to questions from the Board and they thanked him for the presentation.

Chief Financial Officer Khalifa introduced HighMark Capital Management, Inc. Vice President/Senior Account Manager Keith Stribling, CFA who provided a presentation that highlighted the following:

- Discussion Highlights: Mesa Water District
- Asset Allocation: Mesa Water District – OPEB
- Asset Allocation: Mesa Water District – Pension
- Administration Review

Mr. Stribling responded to questions from the Board and they thanked him for the presentation.

**REPORTS:**

10. REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER

11. DIRECTORS' REPORTS AND COMMENTS

**INFORMATION ITEMS:**

12. OTHER (NO ENCLOSURE)

**CLOSED SESSION:**

President Dewane announced that the Board was going into Closed Session at 4:29 p.m.

13. PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957.6:  
PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION  
Title: General Manager

The Board returned to Open Session at 4:43 p.m.

District Secretary Garcia announced that the Board conducted one Closed Session with the General Manager and District Secretary pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957.6. The Board received information and there was no further announcement.

President Dewane adjourned the meeting at 4:44 p.m. to a Regular Board Meeting scheduled for Thursday, July 9, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Approved:



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Shawn Dewane, President



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Denise Garcia, District Secretary