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**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MESA WATER DISTRICT
Thursday, March 12, 2020
1965 Placentia Avenue, Costa Mesa, CA 92627
6:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by President Dewane.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Bockmiller led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Directors Present

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

Directors Absent

None

Staff Present

Paul E. Shoenberger, P.E., General Manager
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
Syndie Ly, Human Resources Manager
Tracy Manning, Water Operations Manager
Jeff Hoskinson, Partner, Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud &
Romo

Others Present

Melody McDonald, Executive Committee Member, Association
of California Water Agencies Joint Powers Insurance
Authority (ACWA/JPIA)
Michael R. Markus, General Manager, Orange County Water
District (OCWD)

Attorney Hoskinson stated that one Mesa Water Director was attending the meeting via teleconference per Governor Newsom's Executive Order No. N-25-20 which suspended certain provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act.

District Secretary Garcia 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.

**ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA WATER AGENCIES JOINT POWERS INSURANCE
AUTHORITY RECOGNITION**

President Dewane introduced ACWA/JPIA Executive Committee Member Melody McDonald. Ms. McDonald thanked Mesa Water District for their continuous support of ACWA/JPIA and presented the Board with a check for \$143,830.

Photographs were taken.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

There were no public comments.

There was no public present at the teleconference site.

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

General Manager Shoenberger recommended reordering the agenda to take Item 11 prior to the Consent Calendar. There were no objections.

PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:

ITEM 11 - ORANGE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT BRIEFING:

GM Shoenberger introduced OCWD General Manager Michael R. Markus who proceeded with a presentation that highlighted the following:

- FY20 – 21 Proposed Budget
- PFOA
- Poseidon Project
- Groundwater Basin Conditions
- Prado Dam Update

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

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. Approve minutes of regular Board meeting of February 13, 2020.
2. Approve minutes of special Board meeting of February 18, 2020.
3. Approve minutes of special Board meeting of February 24, 2020.
4. Approve minutes of special Board meeting of February 24, 2020.
5. Approve attendance considerations (additions, changes, deletions).
6. Board Schedule:
 - Conferences, Seminars, and Meetings
 - Board Calendar
 - Upcoming Community Outreach Events
7. Approve the proposed Capital Improvement Program Renewal.

MOTION

Motion by Director Bockmiller, second by Vice President DePasquale, to approve Items 1 – 7 of the Consent Calendar. Motion passed 5-0, by the following roll call vote:

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

ACTION ITEMS:

8. RESOLUTION NO. 1529 REVISING THE DESIGNATED FUNDS POLICY:

MOTION

Motion by Director Bockmiller, second by Vice President DePasquale, to adopt Resolution No. 1529 Revising the Designated Funds Policy Superseding Resolution No. 1443. Motion passed 5-0, by the following roll call vote:

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

9. ORDINANCE NO. 29 – DIRECTORS’ COMPENSATION AND EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT:

MOTION

Motion by President Dewane, second by Vice President DePasquale, to direct staff to schedule a public hearing for the April 9, 2020 Board meeting to address Directors’ compensation and expense reimbursement. Motion passed 5-0, by the following roll call vote:

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

RECESS

President Dewane declared a recess at 6:42 p.m. in order to conduct the Mesa Consolidated Water District Improvement Corporation Annual Meeting.

10. MESA CONSOLIDATED WATER DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION ANNUAL MEETING:

The Board meeting reconvened at 6:52 p.m.

PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:

11. ORANGE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT BRIEFING:

Item taken earlier in the agenda.

REPORTS:

12. REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER:

- February Key Indicators Report
- Other (no enclosure)

13. DIRECTORS' REPORTS AND COMMENTS

INFORMATION ITEMS:

14. ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES OF PARTICIPATION SCHEDULE

15. DIRECTORS' REPORTS (AB 1234) PER CA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 53232.3 (D)

16. OTHER (NO ENCLOSURE)

RECESS

President Dewane declared a recess at 7:22 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 7:30 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION:

President Dewane announced that the Board was going into Closed Session at 7:30 p.m.

17. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE 54957.6:

District Negotiator: General Manager
Employee Organization: District Employees

The Board returned to Open Session at 7:40 p.m.

District Secretary Garcia announced that the Board conducted one Closed Session with the General Manager, District Secretary, and Human Resources Manager pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957.6. The Board received information and gave direction to staff. There was no further announcement.

President Dewane announced that the Board was going into Closed Session at 7:45 p.m.

18. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION/ADJUDICATORY PROCEEDINGS:

Pursuant to California Government Code Sections 54956.9 (d)(2) and 54954.5 (c) – based on existing facts and circumstances, the Board is meeting with Legal Counsel to

review matters relating to legal proceedings presented to the California Fair Political Practices Commission involving Mesa Water District.
Case: 16/19813

The Board returned to Open Session at 8:05 p.m.

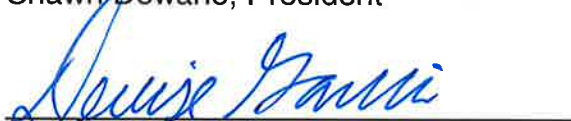
District Secretary Garcia announced that the Board conducted one Closed Session with the General Manager, District Secretary, Legal Counsel and Special Legal Counsel via teleconference pursuant to California Government Code Sections 54956.9 (d)(2) and 54954.5 (c). The Board received information and gave direction to staff. There was no further announcement.

President Dewane adjourned the meeting at 8:06 p.m. to a Regular Board Meeting scheduled for Thursday, April 9, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Approved:



Shawn Dewane, President



Denise Garcia, District Secretary

Sharon D. Brimer, Recording Secretary