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**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MESA WATER DISTRICT
Monday, August 26, 2019
1965 Placentia Avenue, Costa Mesa, CA 92627
3:30 p.m. Special Board Meeting**

LEGISLATIVE & PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order on August 26, 2019 at 3:30 p.m. by Chairwoman DePasquale in the Upstairs Conference Room, located at 1965 Placentia Avenue, Costa Mesa, California.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Bockmiller led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Directors Present

Shawn Dewane, President
Marice H. DePasquale, Vice President, Chair
Jim Atkinson, Director
Fred R. Bockmiller, P.E., Director
James R. Fidler, Director

Directors Absent

None

Staff Present

Paul E. Shoenberger, P.E., General Manager
Denise Garcia, Administrative Services Manager/
District Secretary
Marwan Khalifa, CPA, MBA, Chief Financial Officer
Stacy Taylor, External Affairs Manager
Celeste Carrillo, Public Affairs Coordinator
Brittany Erdman, Department Assistant
Richard Mejia, Public Affairs Intern

Others Present

John Lewis, President, Lewis Consulting Group

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments on non-agendized topics.

Vice President DePasquale reordered the agenda to take Item 6 before the Consent Calendar. There were no objections.

Item 6 – Orange County Update

General Manager Shoenberger introduced Lewis Consulting Group President John Lewis who proceeded with the Orange County Update.

Mr. Lewis responded to questions from the Board and they thanked him for the update.

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS:

1. State Advocacy Update
2. Outreach Update

MOTION

Motion by Director Bockmiller, second by Director Atkinson, to approve Items 1 and 2 of the Consent Calendar. Motion passed 5-0.

ACTION ITEMS:

3. Proclamation Honoring Charley Wilson

MOTION

Motion by President Dewane, second by Director Atkinson, to approve a proclamation honoring Charley Wilson for his dedicated service and commitment to the Santa Margarita Water District. Motion passed 5-0.

4. The HERD Foundation Sponsorship

MOTION

Motion by President Dewane, second by Director Fisler, to add to the next regular Board meeting Consent Calendar approval of a sponsorship to The HERD Foundation in the amount of \$5,000 to assist in the continuation of regenerative agriculture in Orange County. Motion passed 3-2, with Director Atkinson and Director Bockmiller voting no.

5. Mesa Water District Customer Survey

MOTION

Motion by President Dewane, second by Director Fisler, to add to the next regular Board meeting Consent Calendar award of a five-year contract to True North Research, Inc. for \$34,875 per year to conduct the Mesa Water District Customer Survey. Motion passed 5-0.

PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:

6. Orange County Update

This item was taken earlier in the agenda.

7. Branding Community Assets

GM Shoenberger provided an update on the topic.

Discussion ensued amongst the Board.

The Board directed staff to agendize this item at a future meeting.

REPORTS:

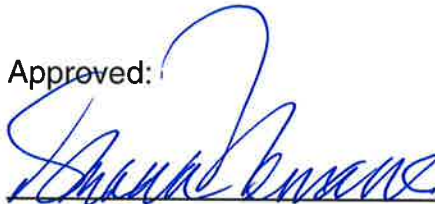
8. Report of the General Manager
9. Directors' Reports and Comments

INFORMATION ITEMS:

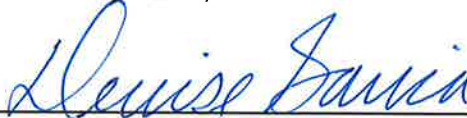
10. Mesa Water District Customer Survey

The Board meeting was adjourned at 4:53 p.m.

Approved:



Shawn Dewane, President



Denise Garcia, District Secretary