

# MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MESA WATER DISTRICT

# Thursday, October 10, 2019 1965 Placentia Avenue, Costa Mesa, CA 92627 6:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting

Dedicated to Satisfying our Community's Water Needs

**CALL TO ORDER**The meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order on

October 10, 2019 at 6:01 p.m. by President Dewane at the District Office Boardroom, located at 1965 Placentia Avenue,

Costa Mesa, California.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Fisler led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Directors Present** 

Shawn Dewane, President

Marice H. DePasquale, Vice President

Jim Atkinson, Director

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** 

Stacy Taylor, External Affairs Manager Tracy Manning, Water Operations Manager

Kurt Lind, Business Administrator Mark Pelka, Senior Civil Engineer

Celeste Carrillo, Public Affairs Coordinator

Rob Anslow, Partner, Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud &

Romo

Others Present

Carolyn Cavecche, President and Chief Executive Officer,

Orange County Taxpayers Association Greg Newmark, Principal, Meyers Nave

Jeff Frey, Attorney, Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo

## 2019 ROSE AWARD FROM ORANGE COUNTY TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION

General Manager Shoenberger introduced Orange County Taxpayers Association President and CEO Carolyn Cavecche. Ms. Cavecche presented Mesa Water District with the 2019 Rose Award for its Business Improvement Process Implementation which has resulted in an estimated \$6.3 million in cost savings for the District over ten years.

Photographs were taken.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

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

There were no comments and President Dewane proceeded with the meeting.

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

GM Shoenberger announced that an item arose after the October 10, 2019 agenda was posted. GM Shoenberger recommended adding Item 9A - City of Costa Mesa Application for the California Emergency Solutions and Housing Program. He offered that the City reached out to Mesa Water requesting support for the Program's Round One Funding Application.

#### **MOTION**

Motion by Director Atkinson, second by Director Fisler, to add Item 9A - City of Costa Mesa Application for the California Emergency Solutions and Housing Program to the agenda. Motion passed 4-1, with Director Bockmiller voting no.

GM Shoenberger recommended reordering the agenda to take Closed Session Item 17 after the Consent Calendar. There were no objections.

#### **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 September 12, 2019.
- 2. Approve minutes of special Board meeting of September 17, 2019.
- 3. Approve minutes of special Board meeting of September 23, 2019.
- 4. Approve minutes of special Board meeting of September 23, 2019.
- 5. Approve attendance considerations (additions, changes, deletions).
- 6. Board Schedule:
  - Conferences, Seminars, and Meetings
  - Board Calendar
  - Upcoming Community Outreach Events
- Award a contract to Carollo Engineers, Inc. in the amount of \$140,000 per year for five years for an amount not to exceed \$700,000 with 2-one year renewal options to provide Geographic Information System and Hydraulic Model Hosting and Maintenance Services.
- 8. Award a contract to T2 Tech Group, LLC in the amount of \$480,000 per year for five years with 2 one-year renewal options to provide Information Technology Support Services.

President Dewane asked for public comments. There were no comments.

# MOTION

Motion by Director Bockmiller, second by Vice President DePasquale, to approve Items 1 - 8 of the Consent Calendar. Motion passed 5-0.

#### **CLOSED SESSION:**

President Dewane declared that the Board was going into Closed Session at 6:10 p.m.

ITEM 17 - CONFERENCE WITH SPECIAL LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(1) Case: Irvine Ranch Water District v. Orange County Water District and related crossactions, Los Angeles County Superior Court Case Nos. BS168278 and BS 175192

The Board returned to Open Session at 7:04 p.m.

District Secretary Garcia announced that the Board conducted one Closed Session with the General Manager, District Secretary, and Special Legal Counsel pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(1). The Board received information and there was no further announcement.

## **ACTION ITEMS:**

9. REPLACEMENT OF ASSETS INCLUDING PIPELINE AND WELL REHABILITATION:

#### **MOTION**

Motion by Director Bockmiller, second by Director Atkinson, to adopt Resolution No. 1525 Regarding the Replacement of Assets including Pipeline and Well Rehabilitation Superseding Resolution No. 1442. Motion passed 5-0, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:

DIRECTORS Atkinson, Bockmiller, Fisler, DePasquale, Dewane

NOES:

**DIRECTORS** None

ABSENT: DIRECTORS None

ABSTAIN: DIRECTORS None

ITEM 9A - CITY OF COSTA MESA APPLICATION FOR THE CALIFORNIA EMERGECY SOLUTIONS AND HOUSING PROGRAM:

GM Shoenberger provided an overview of the item.

Discussion ensued amongst the Board.

Attorney Anslow responded to questions from the Board.

President Dewane directed staff to agendize this item "City of Costa Mesa Application for the California Emergency Solutions and Housing Program," at the next Engineering and Operations meeting.

# PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:

**OUTREACH TOPIC - WATER QUALITY:** 10.

> GM Shoenberger provided an overview of the item and introduced Public Affairs Coordinator Carrillo who proceeded with a presentation that highlighted the following:

- Mesa Water Key Messages
- Water Quality
- Training: 3-Step Approach
- Common Questions

Staff responded to questions from the Board and they thanked Ms. Carrillo for the presentation.

11. MESA WATER DISTRICT CUSTOMER SURVEY:

GM Shoenberger provided an update of the item and responded to questions from the Board.

# **REPORTS:**

- 12. REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER:
  - September Key Indicators Report
  - Other (no enclosure)
- 13. DIRECTORS' REPORTS AND COMMENTS

#### **INFORMATION ITEMS:**

- 14. DIRECTORS' REPORTS (AB 1234) PER CA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 53232.3 (D)
- 15. OTHER (NO ENCLOSURE)

#### RECESS

President Dewane declared a recess at 7:48 p.m.

The Board meeting reconvened at 7:49 p.m.

#### **CLOSED SESSIONS:**

President Dewane declared that the Board was going into Closed Session at 7:49 p.m.

16. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION:
Pursuant to California Government Code Sections 54956.9 (d)(1) and 54954.5 (c)
Case: Mesa Water District v. KDC, INC., dba KDC SYSTEMS, INC., dba DYNALECTRIC
Orange County Superior Court Case No. 30-2016-00832860-CU-BC-CJC

The Board returned to open session at 8:04 p.m.

Attorney Frey announced that the Board conducted one Closed Session with the General Manager, District Secretary, and Legal Counsel pursuant to Government Code Sections 54956.9 (d)(1) and 54954.5 (c). The Board received information and there was no further announcement.

17. CONFERENCE WITH SPECIAL LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(1)
Case: Irvine Ranch Water District v. Orange County Water District and related cross-actions, Los Angeles County Superior Court Case Nos. BS168278 and BS 175192

Item 17 taken earlier in the agenda.

President Dewane adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m., in memory of former Municipal Water District of Orange County Director Wayne S. Osborne, to an adjourned Regular Meeting scheduled for Friday, November 15, 2019 at 8:00 a.m.

Approved:

Shawn Dewane, President

Denise Garcia, District Secretary

Sharon D. Brimer, Recording Secretary