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# MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MESA WATER DISTRICT

**Tuesday, July 26, 2022** 

1965 Placentia Avenue, Costa Mesa, CA 92627 3:30 p.m. Adjourned Regular Board Meeting

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMITTEE MEETING**

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

3:30 p.m. by President DePasquale.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Director Fisler led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Directors Present Marice H. DePasquale, President

Fred R. Bockmiller, P.E., Director

James R. Fisler, Director

Directors Absent Shawn Dewane, Vice President

Jim Atkinson, Director

Staff Present Paul E. Shoenberger, P.E., General Manager

Denise Garcia, Chief Administrative Officer/

District Secretary

Marwan Khalifa, CPA, MBA, Chief Financial Officer/

**District Treasurer** 

Tracy Manning, Chief Operating Officer Stacie Sheek, Customer Services Manager Andrew D. Wiesner, P.E., District Engineer

Stacy Taylor, Water Policy Manager Kurt Lind, Business Administrator Kaitlyn Norris, Public Affairs Specialist

Celeste Carrillo, Senior Public Affairs Specialist

Others Present Jim Atkinson, Director (teleconference)

A. ACTION TO AUTHORIZE CONDUCTING MESA WATER DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS UTILIZING REMOTE VIRTUAL PARTICIPATION:

No action was taken on this item.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

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

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

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

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

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS:**

- 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 Accounts Paid Listing.
- 5. Receive and file the Monthly Financial Reports.
- 6. Receive and file the Major Staff Projects.
- 7. Receive and file the State Advocacy Update.
- 8. Receive and file the Orange County Update.
- 9. Receive and file the Outreach Update.

President DePasquale asked for comments from the public. There were no comments.

#### **MOTION**

Motion by Director Fisler, second by Director Bockmiller, to approve Items 1-9 of the Consent Calendar. Motion passed 3-2, with Vice President Dewane and Director Atkinson absent.

#### PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:

#### 10. PUBLIC AFFAIRS FISCAL YEAR 2023 PLAN:

GM Shoenberger provided an overview of the topic and introduced Senior Public Affairs Specialist Carrillo and Public Affairs Specialist Norris who proceeded with a presentation that highlighted the following:

- Mesa Water Strategic Plan Goals
- Objectives
- Strategy
- Customer Welcome/Anniversary Program
- Customer/Community Relations
- Hosted Events
- Sponsorships
- Internal Communications/Events
- Customer Communications
- Construction Outreach
- Media Relations
- Mandatory Water Restrictions

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

# 11. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM RENEWAL (CIPR) QUARTERLY UPDATE:

District Engineer Wiesner provided a presentation that highlighted the following:

- Overview
- Wells Program
- Reservoirs Program
- Distribution Program
- Routine Planned Capital
- District Facilities Program
- Financial Summary
- CIPR Program Planned vs. Actual

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

#### **ACTION ITEMS:**

#### 12. PROPERTY TAX BILL DESCRIPTION:

Chief Financial Officer Khalifa provided an overview of the topic.

President DePasquale asked for comments from the public. There were no comments.

#### **MOTION**

Motion by Director Fisler, second by President DePasquale, to adopt Resolution No. 1567 Authorizing the Property Tax Bill Description for Collection of the Capital Charge by Way of the Office of the Orange County Treasurer-Tax Collector and County Property Tax Roll Process Supplementing Resolution Nos. 1560 & 1565. Motion passed 3 – 2, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: DIRECTORS Bockmiller, Fisler, DePasquale

NOES: DIRECTORS None ABSTAIN: DIRECTORS None

ABSENT: DIRECTORS Atkinson, Dewane

#### 13. ON-CALL CONCRETE AND PAVING SERVICES:

President DePasquale asked for comments from the public. There were no comments.

#### **MOTION**

Motion by Director Bockmiller, second by Director Fisler, to award contracts to Ben's Asphalt, Inc. and T.E. Roberts, Inc. for a period of three years with two one-year renewal options for an annual amount not to exceed \$200,000 across all contracts to provide on-call concrete and paving services, and authorize execution of the contracts. Motion passed 3 – 2, with Vice President Dewane and Director Atkinson absent.

## 14. ORANGE COUNTY ADVOCACY CONSULTING SERVICES:

President DePasquale asked for comments from the public. There were no comments.

#### **MOTION**

Motion by Director Bockmiller, second by Director Fisler, to approve a contract renewal with Lewis Consulting Group for an amount not to exceed \$48,000 to provide Orange County Advocacy Consulting Services from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Motion passed 3 – 2, with Vice President Dewane and Director Atkinson absent.

15. GENERAL LEGAL SERVICES:

President DePasquale asked for comments from the public. There were no comments.

#### **MOTION**

Motion by Director Bockmiller, second by Director Fisler, to amend the General Legal Services contract with Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo to revise the fee schedule, effective September 1, 2022. Motion passed 3 – 2, with Vice President Dewane and Director Atkinson absent.

## **REPORTS:**

- 16. REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER
- 17. DIRECTORS' REPORTS AND COMMENTS

#### **INFORMATION ITEMS:**

- ZERO USAGE ACCOUNTS
- 19. OTHER (NO ENCLOSURE)

President DePasquale adjourned the meeting at 4:45 p.m. to a Regular Board Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, August 10, 2022 at 4:30 p.m.

Approved:

—Docusigned by: Marice H. Defasquale

Marice H. DePasquale, President

-Docusigned by:

Denise Garcia

Denise Garcia, District Secretary

Recording Secretary: Sharon D. Brimer