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**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MONTECITO WATER DISTRICT
583 SAN YSIDRO ROAD, MONTECITO, CALIFORNIA**

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 23, 2022
9:30 A.M.**

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

President Tobe Plough called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. Participants attended in person and remotely via Zoom.

Directors Participating: Ken Coates, Brian Goebel, Cori Hayman, Tobe Plough, and Floyd Wicks (all participated in person).

Staff Participating:

Nick Turner, General Manager
Adam Kanold, Assistant General Manager
Olivia Rojas, Business Manager
Laura Camp, Public Information Officer
Rob Donlan, Special Counsel

Christina Perry, Administrative Asst
Bob Cohen, General Counsel
Walt Wendelstein, General Counsel
Ray Willefert, Financial Analyst

Guests Attending:

Bob Hazard (Zoom)
Zack M (Zoom)
Lisa Marie Rivas (Zoom)

Bradley Rahrer, MSD (Zoom)
Robert Schwab (Zoom)

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

3. PUBLIC FORUM

Bob Hazard requested that the Board address Item 6-C before all other items. With the concurrence of the Board, the agenda was amended with Items 5-A and then 6-C addressed first.

5. DISTRICT OPERATIONS AND GENERAL MANAGER REPORTS

- A. ACTION ITEM: Extension of Resolution 2225 authorizing remote teleconference meetings.
- Director Goebel moved to approve the extension of Resolution 2225. The motion was seconded by Director Coates and carried after a roll call vote, with Directors Coates, Goebel, Plough, and Wicks in favor and Director Hayman opposed.

6. DISTRICT BUSINESS REPORT

- C. INFORMATIONAL: Unit cost of water for FY2021/22
- Staff provided a presentation regarding the unit cost of water for FY2021/22. The Board and staff engaged in discussion; director suggestions were recorded by staff for further research and consideration.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

Following items are to be approved or accepted by vote on one motion unless a Board member requests separate consideration:

- A. Meeting Minutes of June 28, 2022
- B. Payment of Bills for June 2022
- C. Payment of Bills for July 2022
- D. Investment of District Funds for June 2022
- E. Investment of District Funds for July 2022
- F. Waterworks Operations Report for June and July 2022
- G. Unaudited Monthly Financial Report for July 2022
- H. Contract Change Order for the Enhanced Recycled Water Feasibility Study

A minor change was made to the meeting minutes of June 28, 2022 with the addition of the word "Minutes" to the header.

Director Goebel moved to approve the entire Consent Calendar. The motion was seconded by Director Coates and carried after a roll call vote, with Directors Coates, Goebel, Hayman, Plough, and Wicks in favor.

5. DISTRICT OPERATIONS AND GENERAL MANAGER REPORTS

- B. INFORMATIONAL: Quarterly Drought and Water Supply Update
- General Manager Turner presented the Board with an update.
- C. INFORMATIONAL: Update on progress with 20% water use reduction goal
- The Board requested that future updates regarding the water use reduction goal be combined with the Item 5-B Quarterly Drought and Water Supply Update.

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D. ACTION ITEM: Award of Contracts for Juncal Dam Emergency Release Valve Rehabilitation Project and Related CEQA Determination

Assistant General Manager/Engineering Manager Adam Kanold presented contracts from Crispin Valve and Schock Contracting Corporation for the Board's consideration.

Director Coates moved to authorize staff to file the attached Notice of Exemption from CEQA with County of Santa Barbara Clerk of the Board. The motion was seconded by Director Hayman and carried after a roll call vote, with Directors Coates, Goebel, Hayman, Plough, and Wicks in favor.

Director Coates moved to authorize staff to execute contracts with Crispin Valve and Schock Contracting Corporation per staff's recommendation. The motion was seconded by Director Hayman and carried after a roll call vote, with Directors Coates, Goebel, Hayman, Plough, and Wicks in favor.

E. INFORMATIONAL: Public Information Update

Public Information Officer Laura Camp addressed the Board about community outreach efforts.

F. INFORMATIONAL: General Manager Report

General Manager Turner opened the floor for discussion on any items in the report.

6. DISTRICT BUSINESS REPORT

A. INFORMATIONAL: Unaudited Monthly Financial Report for June 2022

Business Manager Olivia Rojas presented the June 2022 Unaudited Monthly Financial Report and answered questions from the Board.

B. ACTION ITEMS: Payment of CalPERS Annual Unfunded Accrued Liability as of June 30, 2020 Actuarial Valuation

Ms. Rojas presented additional information to the Board.

Director Coates moved to approve the payments of CalPERS Annual Unfunded Accrued Liability as of June 30, 2021 Actuarial Valuation for rate plan for Classic and PEPRAs employees in the lump sum amounts recommended by staff. The motion was seconded by Director Goebel and carried after a roll call vote, with Directors Coates, Goebel, Hayman, Plough, and Wicks in favor.

7. DIRECTOR AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Presidents Report: Director Plough congratulated acting Directors who are running for reelection uncontested in November's election.

B. Central Coast Water Authority: Director Coates reiterated severity of the drought and limited availability of supplementary water; the need to assess risks in system pertaining to water quality; future of legislation SB1020.

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- C. Santa Barbara County Special Districts Association: Director Wicks reported that he plans to attend an ACWA Region 5 field tour in October.
- D. Cachuma Operation and Maintenance Board: Director Hayman provided update on the status of Lake Cachuma as well as the Secured Pipeline Project.
- E. Cachuma Conservation Release Board: Director Plough noted that his updates had been addressed during previous discussion.
- F. Operations & Customer Relations Committee: Director Wicks noted that his updates had been addressed during previous discussion.
- G. Finance Committee: Director Plough noted that all updates have been previously discussed.
- H. Strategic Planning Committee: Director Coates noted that the next meeting of the Strategic Planning Committee is scheduled for August 30th.

8. **LEGAL MATTERS**

- A. Recent and Pending Legal Matters Review – General Counsel Bob Cohen noted that all matters to be reviewed will be addressed in closed session.
- B. CLOSED SESSION: Pursuant to Government Code 54956.9(d)(2) Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation, 2 cases.

The Board recessed to closed session at 12:25 P.M.

The Board returned from recess at 2:55 P.M. to report that no action had been taken.
- C. CLOSED SESSION: Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 (Personnel Exemption), Employee Performance Evaluation - General Manager

The Board noted that no action had been taken but this item will be amended in future agendas to be a Closed Session in order to discuss establishing performance measurements and process for the General Manager’s review.

9. **DIRECTOR REQUESTS**

General Manager Turner suggested that a special meeting be held prior to the next regular meeting to discuss the unit cost of water and associated topics.

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

The Board adjourned at 2:56 P.M.

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