

SAN BERNARDINO VALLEY WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF  
February 1, 2006  
1:30 P.M.

President Cheryl Tubbs called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 1:30 p.m. All present stood for the pledge of allegiance, led by President Tubbs.

ROLL CALL:

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Cheryl Tubbs, President  
Manuel Aranda, Vice President  
Clare Henry Day, Director  
Glenda Douglas, Director  
Richard Corneille, Director  
Melody Henriques-McDonald, Director  
Arnold Wright, Director

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

GENERAL COUNSEL PRESENT:

David B. Cosgrove, Esq.

SPECIAL COUNSEL PRESENT:

H. Jess Senecal, Esq.

STAFF PRESENT:

Lawrence M. Libeu, General Manager/Board Secretary  
Tom Crowley, Assistant General Manager  
Colleen Theuer, Assistant to the General Manager/Recording Secretary  
Walter Christensen, Project Manager

GUESTS PRESENT:

Dr. Tom Gardner, Management Partners, Inc.  
David McAlister, Tetra Tech

1. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

President Tubbs announced this as the time for any persons present, who so desire, to make an oral presentation to the Board of Directors. Hearing none, the meeting proceeded with the published agenda items.

2. AWARD PRESENTATION

Mr. Libeu and President Tubbs presented Manual Colunga, the District's Field Operations Specialist I, with a certificate acknowledging his five years of service with the District. Mr. Colunga and his family expressed appreciation to the District for the opportunities afforded him.

3. BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS

The Directors reported on their activities for the month: Director Henriques-McDonald reported that she attended the Chamber installations for Highland, Loma Linda, and San Bernardino, the LAFCO meeting, and the January 30th tour of the District. Director Day reported that he attended the Administrative Committee meeting. President Tubbs reported that she attended the Administrative Committee meeting, and met with Supervisor Hansberger and also with Stacy Alstadt of the City of San Bernardino. Vice President Aranda reported that he attended the Chamber installations for Highland, San Bernardino, and Loma Linda; he also attended the Upper Santa Ana Water Resources Committee meeting, the Administrative Committee meeting, the ACWA Legislative Committee meeting, the Federal Affairs Committee meeting, and the LAFCO committee meetings and regular meeting of January 18. Director Wright reported that he met with Supervisor Hansberger, and also met with Dennis Johnson and Tony Sedano. He also attended the Administrative Committee meeting and the District tour. Director Douglas reported that she attended the Chamber installations for Highland and Loma Linda, the LAFCO committee meetings and regular meeting of January 18, and the District tour.

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

There was a brief discussion regarding the minutes submitted for the month of January 2006. A minor change was noted.

**It was moved by Director Corneille and seconded by Director Aranda to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of January 11, 2006, as amended. The motion carried unanimously.**

5. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Libeu reported that the Administrative Committee met on January 25. Items discussed included the vacant Assistant Manager position, employee benefits, and the yearly Budget Workshop. The Budget Workshop was scheduled for March 31, 2006,

from 9 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Staff would try to book the meeting at the Arrowhead County Club, as was done last year.

6. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Libeu summarized his report, noting the success of the District tour. He briefly discussed the meeting he and President Tubbs had with Supervisor Hansberger regarding the consolidation issue.

7. OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE REPORT

Mr. Crowley summarized his report and answered questions from the Board.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

The financial statements were briefly discussed.

**It was moved by Vice President Aranda and seconded by Director Henriques-McDonald to approve the Consent Calendar, consisting of the Warrants for January 2006 and the Un-audited Financial Reports for January 2006. The motion carried unanimously.**

9. BOARD LETTERS, ACTION ITEMS, NEW BUSINESS, FYI

Mr. Cosgrove asked for two additions to the agenda: 9D, Adoption of Resolution No. 418, Nominating Director Melody Henriques-McDonald for the Position of Board Member to the ACWA/JPIA Executive Committee; and 9E, Adjustment to Management Partners Inc. Contract, Not to Exceed \$7,500. Both of these items were received after the agenda was posted.

**It was moved by Director Wright and seconded by Director Henriques-McDonald to approve two additions to the agenda, 9D, Adoption of Resolution No. 418, and 9E, Adjustment to Management Partners Inc. contract. The motion carried unanimously.**

A. Seven Oaks Dam Water Quality Impact Study Report

Using visual aids, Mr. Crowley made a presentation on the Seven Oaks Dam Water Quality Impact Study Report. The study was prepared at the request of several agencies in the east end of the San Bernardino basin, as a result of the water quality impacts on their surface diversions for their local water treatment facilities since the construction of the Seven Oaks Dam. The purpose of the study was so that recommendations could be made to the Army Corp of Engineers on this issue. East Valley Water District retained the services of Camp, Dresser and McKee to perform the study on behalf of the agencies. One suggestion brought out by the study was to build

a treatment plant in the borrow pit. Discussion ensued, and Mr. Crowley answered questions from the Board.

**B. Integrated Regional Groundwater Management Plan Report**

Mr. Crowley presented an update on the Integrated Regional Groundwater Management Plan Report. He said the group is meeting the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month; they have met twice since the kickoff of the project. The San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District (Muni) is the lead agency on behalf of the Upper Santa Ana Water Resources Association (USAWRA) for the project. Muni has submitted an application for a Proposition 50 Planning Grant Application, and has received a temporary commitment letter from the Department of Water Resources, confirming the eventual award of a planning grant. The agencies that are participating in the project besides the Conservation District are the West Valley Water District, the East Valley Water District, the City of Redlands, the City of San Bernardino Municipal Water Department, City of Riverside, Yucaipa Valley Water District, the Water Resources Institute of California State University San Bernardino, and Muni. The total fee proposal from the consulting firm referred to as the B-E Team is \$572,930.00. The fee exceeds the \$498,000 grant amount, which the USAWRA is proposing to split evenly between the participating agencies. Director Corneille indicated that he would like to be a Board representative for the project.

**C. Approve and Authorize Execution of Contract with Monteleone Contractors, Inc. for Recharge Basin Maintenance**

Mr. Libeu discussed a contract proposal with Monteleone Contractors, Inc. for maintenance work on percolation ponds 13, 14, and 15 in the Santa Ana River spreading grounds. He noted that a bid had also been solicited from Larry Jacinto Construction Inc., whose bid was almost \$14,000 more. Both contractors had met with field staff, who outlined the scope of work. He requested that the Board approve the contract proposal with Monteleone Contractors, Inc.

**It was moved by Director Corneille and seconded by Director Henriques-McDonald to approve and authorize a contract with Monteleone Contractors, Inc. for maintenance work on percolation ponds 13, 14, and 15, in the amount of \$27,650.**

Discussion ensued. After discussion:

**The motion carried unanimously.**

**D. Adopt Resolution No. 418, Nominating Director Melody Henriques-McDonald for the position of Board Member of the ACWA/JPIA Executive Committee**

**It was moved by Director Corneille and seconded by Director Douglas to adopt Resolution No. 418, Nominating Director Melody Henriques-**

**McDonald for the position of Board Member of the ACWA/JPIA Executive Committee. The motion carried unanimously.**

E. Adjustment to Management Partners Inc. Contract

Mr. Libeu led a discussion regarding the contract for Management Partners, Inc. He said that due to additional items that had been added to their scope of work, they were asking for an adjustment in their contract not to exceed an additional \$7,500. In their request they included an attachment listing the breakdown for the additional work.

**It was moved by Director Henriques-McDonald and seconded by Director Corneille to approve an adjustment to the contract for Management Partners, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$7,500. The motion carried unanimously.**

At 3:10 p.m., a short break was taken.

At 3:20 p.m. the meeting resumed.

10. CLOSED SESSION

**It was moved by Director Day and seconded by Director Henriques-McDonald to adjourn to Closed Session, at 3:20 p.m., as provided by the authority of Government Code Section 54956.9(a) to consider the Application No. 31371 before the State Water Resources Control Board to appropriate waters of the Santa Ana River; and Government Code Section 54956.9(c), to determine on whether to initiate litigation. The motion carried unanimously.**

At 4:50 p.m., the meeting reconvened into Open Session. Under Government Code Section 54957.1, there was no reportable action taken.

11. ADJOURN MEETING

At 4:50 p.m., the meeting adjourned to the Board meeting scheduled for **Wednesday, March 8, 2006** at District Headquarters, 1630 W. Redlands Blvd., Ste. A, Redlands, CA, at 1:30 p.m.

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Board Secretary