

SAN BERNARDINO VALLEY WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
January 15, 2008
9:00 A.M.

President Melody McDonald called the Regular meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 9:00 a.m. All present stood for the pledge of allegiance, led by President McDonald.

ROLL CALL:

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Melody McDonald, President
Manuel Aranda, Vice President
Cheryl Tubbs, Director
Richard Corneille, Director
Arnold Wright, Director
Clare Henry Day, Director
John Longville, Director

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

GENERAL COUNSEL PRESENT:

David B. Cosgrove, Rutan & Tucker, LLP

STAFF PRESENT:

Marvin Shaw, General Manager
Colleen Theuer, Admin. Services Mgr./Recording Secretary

GUESTS PRESENT:

Andreas Blaser, M.A.R.K.S. Club

1. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

President McDonald 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. CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Director Corneille and seconded by Director Aranda to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of December 14, 2007. The motion carried unanimously.

After a brief discussion regarding the financial reports for December 2007, the following motion was made:

It was moved by Director Tubbs and seconded by Director Corneille to approve the un-audited financial reports for the month of December, 2007. The motion carried unanimously.

3. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Wash Plan Update

Mr. Cosgrove reported that three issues remain with regard to the release of the DEIR: (1) LSA edits that were required in the document; (2) assuring that the Wash Plan Land Use Plan will allow for expansion of areas for additional water spreading facilities; and (3) the land exchange. He will continue to keep the Board updated on the progress.

B. Board Committee Reports

There were no Board Committee reports for this meeting. An Administrative Committee meeting was set for Wednesday, January 30, 2008, at 9:00 a.m.

C. Operations and Maintenance Report

Mr. Shaw reported on the field operations/maintenance for the month of December, 2007. A written report was also provided in the Board package.

D. General Manager's Report

Mr. Shaw reported on several items, including the site visit for the RFP, and the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers in connection with the Lakes & Streams Project and the Wash Plan. He noted that he would be making a presentation of the RFP to the Advisory Committee at the San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District. He also mentioned that Jackie Silber has become a permanent employee of the District.

4. ACTION ITEMS, NEW BUSINESS, FYI

It was moved by Director Wright and seconded by Director Aranda to take Item C, Miniature Aircraft Radio Kontrol Society (M.A.R.K.S. Club), out of order. The motion carried unanimously.

C. Miniature Aircraft Radio Kontrol Society (M.A.R.K.S. Club) - Request to Extend Access and Use Permit for Existing Miniature Aircraft Strip on District Property

Mr. Shaw reported that the M.A.R.K.S. Club (Club) had requested an extension of one year on their Access and Use Permit for their existing miniature aircraft strip. The Club recently received a permit from BLM to relocate their airstrip on BLM property; however, in order to reach the new site, they would need to cross District property which would require a new permit for this purpose. Mr. Shaw explained that because of the District's recent adoption of the IRWMP and the RFP for the study on how best to optimize the District's recharge facilities, it would be premature to grant an access permit for the purpose of crossing District land until the study has been completed. He recommended a letter to the Club advising them of this current status and that a decision would not be forthcoming until the RFP study had been completed. Mr. Blaser explained that the reason for the desire to relocate the airstrip was because of flooding at the current location. Discussion continued. Director Tubbs suggested changes in the draft letter to the Club.

It was moved by Director Longville and seconded by Director Aranda to approve the extension of the M.A.R.K.S. Club Access and Use Permit for the existing miniature aircraft airstrip through December 2008, and to forward a letter to the M.A.R.K.S. Club explaining the deferral of any further decisions for a new permit to a new location until after the RFP study has been completed. The motion carried unanimously.

A. Amendment to Access Permit to Lockheed Martin Corporation

Mr. Shaw briefly discussed Lockheed Martin Corporation's request for a two-year extension on their permit for access to the Crafton-Redlands site for the purpose of collecting water quality samples at seven groundwater monitoring wells.

It was moved by Director Wright and seconded by Director Day to approve the amendment for a two-year extension to the access permit for Lockheed Martin Corporation, for ingress and egress onto the Crafton-Redlands site, for the purpose of conducting environmental studies on groundwater, through December 31, 2009. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Request from City of Highland to Utilize the District Maintenance Roads and the Old Railroad Right-of-Way South of Greenspot Road for the Highland 14th Annual Trails Day

There was a brief discussion on the City of Highland's request for an access permit for their 14th Annual Trails Day Event, to take place on April 19, 2008.

It was moved by Director Longville and seconded by Director Corneille to approve an access permit to the City of Highland for utilizing the District maintenance roads and the Old Railroad Right-of-Way south of Greenspot

Road, for the City of Highland's 14th Annual Trails Day Event, taking place on April 19, 2008. The motion carried unanimously.

D. Repair of Dump Truck

Mr. Shaw briefly discussed the repair of the field dump truck and the three bids received for that repair.

It was moved by Director Longville and seconded by Director Tubbs to approve the bid from Paul Parrish for the repair of the dump truck in the amount of \$5,000. The motion carried unanimously.

E. Authorize Travel to ACWA Washington D.C. Conference, February 26-28, 2008

Discussion ensued on travel for Board members other than pre-approved activities, in accordance with the Board Policy Manual. The ACWA Washington D.C. Conference (Conference) is a pre-approved activity unless more than two Directors wish to attend. Director Aranda deferred attending the Conference and would instead attend the WESTCAS Conference February 20-22, 2008. As this left two Directors attending the Washington D.C. Conference, no action was necessary.

F. District Investment Policy for 2008

It was moved by Director Tubbs and seconded by Director Longville to approve the District's Statement of Investment Policy for 2008. The motion carried unanimously.

G. 2008 Board Meeting Calendar

Mr. Shaw briefly discussed the Board Meeting Calendar for 2008.

It was moved by Director Corneille and seconded by Director Day to approve the Board Meeting Calendar for 2008. The motion carried unanimously.

5. UPCOMING MEETINGS

The upcoming meetings for the month of January were briefly discussed.

6. BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS

Director Corneille noted that he had been appointed to the ACWA Groundwater Committee.

Director Aranda said he was invited to speak to Governor Schwarzenegger's budget staff regarding water infrastructure, and he also attended the ACWA Legislative meeting.

7. CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by Director Tubbs and seconded by Director Aranda to adjourn to Closed Session at 10:20 a.m., under Government Code Section 54956.8, consider Real Property negotiations re: easement agreement with San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District/Western Municipal Water District concerning the District's Santa Ana River facilities; if action is directed, the negotiators will be Marvin Shaw and David Cosgrove with the District; Randy Van Gelder and David Aladjem with the San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District; and John Rossi with Western Municipal Water District.

At 10:25 a.m., the meeting reconvened into Open Session. In accordance with Government Code Section 54957.1, there was no reportable action taken.

8. ADJOURN MEETING

At 10:25 a.m., the meeting adjourned to the Board meeting scheduled for February 6, 2008 at 1:30 p.m., at District Headquarters, 1630 W Redlands Blvd., Suite A, Redlands, CA.

Secretary of the Board