

Minutes
Water Conservation Commission

March 3, 2016

1. Call to Order/Introduction:

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. Commission members Grace Silva-Santella, Bethany Taylor, Charlie Eskridge, David Brown, Audie Robinson, Jan Shriner, and Colleen Courtney were present. Jim Felton, JoAnn Cannon had notified staff that they was going to be absent from the meeting. Paul Lord and Paula Riso were present from staff.

2. Public Comments on Any Item Not on the Agenda:

None.

3. Action to Approve the February 4, 2016 Meeting Minutes:

Commissioner Eskridge made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 4, 2016 meeting. Councilmember Brown seconded the motion. With a vote of 5-Ayes, 0-Noes, 2-Absent (Cannon, Felton), 2-Abstentions (Shriner, Robinson), the motion was passed.

4. Emergency Water Conservation Regulations Extended:

Mr. Lord explained that the Emergency Water Conservation Regulations have been extended until October 31, 2016. He noted that the District will respond to the State Water Board to adjust the assigned Conservation Standard because of the growth in the Ord Community. Discussion followed.

5. Receive Updated GPCD, Water Production, and Water Consumption Data:

Mr. Lord reviewed information on water production and consumption as of January 2016. Chair Silva-Santella suggested looking into seawater intrusion.

6. Continued Group Discussion about 2016 Commission Objectives and Goals:

Mr. Lord introduced this item and reviewed proposed goals and listed which Commissioners volunteered to assist with them. He also went over upcoming events and noted that volunteers were welcome.

7. Review and Propose Agenda Items for the March 3, 2016 WCC Meeting and Future Meetings:

Mr. Lord suggested several April agenda items: historical rebate and incentive program activity; 2016-2017 draft conservation budget; GPCD, Water Production, and Water Consumption Data; and the Customer Confidence Report (water quality report). Chair Silva-Santella asked to have a discussion on laundry to landscape graywater incentives and maybe seawater intrusion on a future agenda.

8. Receive Update on Board/District Activities:

Director Shriner gave a brief update on the latest actions of the Board.

9. Receive Comments from Commission Members:

Chair Silva-Santella stated that the Marina Tree and Garden Club voiced interested in working with the District on a rainwater catchment workshop once the District considers a rainwater catchment rebate program. She also shared that the Federal Government was looking at taxing customers who receive water conservation rebates. Chair Silva-Santella stated that customers would have to claim the rebates as income. Mr. Lord clarified that customers who receive rebates over \$600 would also get a 1099 from the District at the end of the year.

10. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:47 p.m.