

Marina Coast Water District

District Offices
11 Reservation Road
Marina, California

Regular Board Meeting
April 28, 2004
7:00 p.m.

Minutes

1. Call to Order/Roll Call:

President Scholl called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on April 28, 2004.

Board Members Present:

Charles Scholl – President
Tom Moore – Vice-President – arrived at 7:04 p.m.
Ken Nishi
David Brown
Dan O'Brien

Board Members Absent:

None.

Staff Members Present:

Mike Armstrong, General Manager
Lloyd Lowrey, Legal Counsel
Rich Youngblood, Water Conservation Specialist
Marc Lucca, District Engineer
Jim Dowless, O&M Superintendent
Suresh Prasad, ASO Finance and Technology
Evelina Adlawan, Technical Services Manager
Paula Carina, Executive Assistant/Board Clerk

Audience:

Susan Kiefert
Tony Kelsey
Karen Gref
Ellen Aldridge, Avery Associates

2. Oral Communications:

None.

3. Presentation:

- A. Consider Adoption of Resolution No. 2004-23 in Recognition of Susan Kiefert, Customer Service Representative II, and Awarding a Plaque and Gift Certificate for 20 Years of Service to MCWD:

Mr. Armstrong read the narration on this item.

On motion by Director Brown, seconded by Director O'Brien; the Board adopt Resolution No. 2004-23 in recognition of Susan Kiefert for 20 years of service to MCWD. The motion was passed.

Director O'Brien	-	Yes	Vice-President Moore	-	Yes
Director Brown	-	Yes	President Scholl	-	Yes
Director Nishi	-	Yes			

President Scholl recessed the meeting from 7:04 until 7:09 p.m.

4. Action Items:

- A. Consider Approval of the 2003 Consumer Confidence Reports for the Marina Coast Water District and the Ord Community Water Systems:

Mrs. Adlawan introduced this item and noted recent changes to the document. Director Brown suggested correcting the spelling for "Disinfectants" on the cover page for both documents. Director Nishi questioned the production for Well 9 and the Desalination Plant. He also stated he would like to see a clause noting the Desalination Plant is not operating at this time. Discussion followed.

On motion by Vice-President Moore, seconded by Director Brown; the Board approve the 2003 Consumer Confidence Reports for the Marina Coast Water District and the Ord Community Water systems with the changes proposed by Mrs. Adlawan and correcting the spelling of "Disinfectants". Director O'Brien questioned the chloride levels on Table 1. Vice-President Moore suggested changing the format in future CCR's to make it easier to read the Tables. The motion was passed.

Director O'Brien	-	Yes	Vice-President Moore	-	Yes
Director Brown	-	Yes	President Scholl	-	Yes
Director Nishi	-	No			

B. Consider Analysis of Options for Ord Community Cost Centers Loans:

Mr. Prasad introduced this item. Vice-President Moore asked if staff had discussed these options with FORA. Mr. Armstrong answered that staff had not.

On motion by Vice-President Moore, seconded by Director Brown; the Board approve Option 3 for the payback of the existing internal loans. The motion was passed.

Director O'Brien	-	Yes	Vice-President Moore	-	Yes
Director Brown	-	Yes	President Scholl	-	Yes
Director Nishi	-	No			

C. Consider the Purpose and Duties of the Executive Committee:

President Scholl introduced this item. Director Nishi questioned the actions of the Executive Committee. Discussion followed. Director Nishi asked if the agenda item allowed for the Executive Committee to discuss and recommend a negotiator. Mr. Lowrey stated his interpretation of the agenda item did allow for discussion and recommendation.

5. Consent Calendar:

On motion by Director Brown, seconded by Vice-President Moore; the Board approve the consent calendar consisting of: A) Consider Adoption of Resolution No. 2004-24 to Approve a Professional Services Agreement with MACTEC Engineering and Consulting, Inc. for the Deep Aquifer Monitoring Well Project; B) Consider Adoption of Resolution No. 2004-25 to Approve Amendment No. 2 to the Professional Services Agreement with Winzler & Kelly Consulting Engineers to Provide Additional Wastewater Collection System Conceptual Planning for the Proposed East Garrison Development Project and Amending the FY 2003/2004 Budget; C) Consider Adoption of Resolution No. 2004-26 to Approve a Design/Build Agreement with Kaweah Construction Co. for the Marina Disinfection Replacement Project; D) Consider Adoption of Resolution No. 2004-27 to Authorize Purchase of Two Ford F-250 Trucks and One Reconditioned Fork Lift; E) Consider Revised Budget Schedule for FY 2004-2005; F) Consider Board Meeting Schedule of Two Board Meetings a Month; G) Consider Approval of March 2004 Expenditures; H) Consider Approval of Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of March 3, 2004; I) Consider Approval of Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of March 10, 2004; and, J) Consider Approval of Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of March 24, 2004. The motion was passed.

Director O'Brien	-	Yes	Vice-President Moore	-	Yes
Director Brown	-	Yes	President Scholl	-	Yes
Director Nishi	-	Yes			

President Scholl returned to item 4-C to entertain a motion on the revised Executive Committee duties.

On motion by President Scholl, seconded by Director Brown; the Board approve the revised duties of the Executive Committee. With a vote of 4-Ayes, 1-No, 0-Absent, the motion was approved.

6. Informational Items:

A. General Manager's Report:

No comments.

B. Counsel's Report:

Mr. Lowrey reviewed the letter dated April 28, 2004, that was distributed to the Board regarding information requested on April 14, 2004: 1) limits on deep aquifer pumping under existing agreements; 2) status of water rights litigation for the Salinas Valley; and, 3) preclearance requirements under the Federal Voting Rights Act for annexation of territory without changing the present governing structure. Discussion followed.

C. Committee and Board Liaison Reports:

1. Water Conservation Commission:

No comments.

2. Joint City-District Committee:

No comments.

3. MRWPCA Board Member

President Scholl introduced Mr. Jim Heitzman, Assistant General Manager for MRWPCA. President Scholl also stated the MRWPCA adopted their Strategic Plan with several items pertaining to the Recycled Water Project.

4. LAFCO Liaison:

No comments.

5. JPIA Liaison:

No comments.

6. SDA Liaison:

Vice-President Moore stated the Special District's Association held a dinner meeting on April 13, 2004 and discussed the local ballot initiative.

7. FORA:

Mr. Armstrong stated that the FORA Board held a 2nd reading of their ordinance to adopt the MCWD budget and rates and it was unanimously passed by the Board.

8. Executive Committee:

No comments.

9. Community Outreach:

No comments.

7. Planning Workshop:

C. Joint MCWD – MRWPCA Issues:

President Scholl stated the District leadership team met with the MRWPCA leadership team in March and agreed to hold a less formal meeting in May 2004. Director Nishi voiced his concerns over the Board not giving direction towards the discussions with MRWPCA leadership team. Discussion followed.

President Scholl recessed the meeting from 8:35 until 8:40 p.m. The Board entered into closed session at 8:40 p.m.

9. Closed Session:

B. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

Conference with Labor Negotiator

Agency Negotiator: William Avery & Associates

Employee Organizations: Teamsters Local 890 and SEIU Local 817

The Board returned to open session at 9:44 p.m.

10. Possible Action on Closed Session Items:

Mr. Lowrey reported direction was given to the negotiator.

7. Planning Workshop (continued):

A. Groundwater Strategies:

Mr. Armstrong explained the problems with the Ord Community well field. Discussion regarding wells 29, 30, and 31 followed. President Scholl stated the two things the Board needs to discuss are the possibility of drilling another deep aquifer well and moving the well field further inland. Vice-President Moore asked how far inland would the well field be placed and what the cost would be. Mr. Armstrong stated the well field would be located closer to the juncture of Highway 68 and Reservation Road. Mr. Lowrey stated the cost could be over \$1 million per mile plus the cost of drilling the well.

At 10:00 p.m. President Scholl asked if any Board members wanted to make a motion to adjourn.

On motion by Director Brown, seconded by Director Nishi; the Board adjourn the meeting. With a vote of 2-Ayes, 3-Noes, 0-Absent, the motion failed. Discussion resumed.

Mr. Armstrong explained the role that the Monterey County Water Resources Agency (MCWRA) is taking with regards to the Urban Water Project. President Scholl asked how many Board members are interested in directing staff to look into deep aquifer wells and how many are interested in looking at moving the well field inland. Two members were interested in a new deep aquifer well and four were interested in moving the well field inland. Mr. Armstrong stated that staff would look into both options. President Scholl requested to discuss at a future Board meeting the possibility of meeting with the MCWRA for discussion on these topics.

9. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 10:21 p.m.

APPROVED:

Charles H. Scholl, President

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ATTEST:

Michael D. Armstrong, General Manager