

Minutes  
Water Conservation Commission  
October 2, 2014

1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. Commission members Jim Felton, Charlie Eskridge, Jan Shriner, David Brown, and JoAnn Cannon (arrived at 5:38 p.m.) were present. Grace Silva-Santella was absent. Brian True, Paul Lord, and Paula Riso were present from staff.

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

Mr. True announced that Mr. Carroll Meuse had resigned from the Commission and that staff was beginning the process of advertising for the position which should be completed in mid-November.

3. Elect the Commission Chair and Vice Chair for the Next 12-month Period:

Mr. True gave a brief introduction of this item.

Commissioner Cannon arrived at 5:38 p.m.

Commissioner Cannon nominated Commissioner Silva-Santella as the Chair and Commissioner Felton as Vice Chair. Director Shriner seconded the nomination.

Following discussion, Councilmember Brown suggested moving forward with the Vice Chair nomination of Commissioner Felton and holding off on the nomination of Commissioner Silva-Santella until next meeting when she returns. With a vote of 5-Ayes, 0-Noes, 1-Absent (Silva-Santella) the motion was passed.

4. Approve the August 2, 2014 Meeting Minutes:

Mr. True noted that there was not a quorum of those present at the August 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting, but that the Commission can accept/receive the minutes. Councilmember Brown made a motion to receive the minutes of the August 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting. Director Shriner seconded the motion. With a vote of 5-Ayes, 0-Noes, 1-Absent (Silva-Santella) the motion was passed.

5. Receive Updates on the Status of: A) the Conservation Article approved by the MCWD Board; B) MCWD's Prospective Engagement with CSUMB Regarding the Service Learning Programs; and C) the MOU Between MCWD and MPUSD Regarding the In-School Water Conservation Education Program (verbal report):

A. The Conservation Article approved by the MCWD Board:

Mr. True reviewed the conservation article with the Board President's editorial changes. Commissioner Cannon opined that the article's substantive changes took away the Commission's ownership of the article.

Agenda Item 5A (continued):

Commissioner Cannon made a motion to send the article back to the Board for them to take ownership of and submission for publishing. Director Shriner seconded the motion.

Following discussion, Councilmember Brown made a substitute motion to bring this item back to the November meeting for further discussion and action. Vice Chair Felton seconded the motion. With a vote of 4-Ayes, 1-No (Cannon), 1-Absent (Silva-Santella), the motion was passed.

B. MCWD's Prospective Engagement with CSUMB Regarding the Service Learning Programs:

Director Shriner explained how the Service Learning program worked and that it was suggested that the Commission come up with some tasks that the students can select from for the program. Discussion followed. This item will be on the November WCC agenda for further discussion.

C. The MOU Between MCWD and MPUSD Regarding the In-School Water Conservation Education Program:

Mr. True informed the Commission that this item was on the next Board meeting agenda.

6. Receive New-Commissioner Orientation Information Including Discussion on the State Water Resources Control Board's Resolution No. 2014-0038 Adopting an Emergency Regulation for Statewide Urban Water Conservation:

Mr. True reviewed the Board Procedures Manual section regarding the Water Conservation Commission and the Water Conservation Commission Procedures/Purpose to orientate new Commissioner Eskridge. Mr. True also reviewed the District's Water Shortage Contingency Plan and how it is part of the Urban Water Management Plan and the State Water Resources Control Board Resolution adopting an emergency regulation for statewide urban water conservation.

7. Review Proposed and Suggested Agenda Items for the November 6, 2014 WCC Meeting:

The Commission agreed to the two listed items, review of the conservation article, MPUSD update, election of Chair, and the service learning task list. To the future agenda items, the Commission agreed to add a presentation by Mary Linzer; a survey of other Districts education programs for K – 12; and, Ocean Friendly Garden Certification.

8. Receive Update on Board/District Activities:

Director Shriner noted that the next Board meeting there would be recognition of Dan Amadeo for his work on the WCC. She gave a brief update on other Board activities.

9. Receive Comments from Commission Members:

Commissioner Cannon read the conservation article she submitted to the CSUMB newsletter, Otter Realm. Director Shriner welcomed new Commissioner Eskridge to the Water Conservation Commission.

10. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.