

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
CARPINTERIA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT**

August 27, 2008

Vice President Van Wingerden called the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Carpinteria Valley Water District to order at 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 27, 2008.

Directors Present: Lieberknecht, Drain, Van Wingerden, Roberts

Directors Absent: Lemere

Others Present: Charles Hamilton
Norma Rosales
Chip Wullbrandt
Rob McDonald
Philip Eckert
Nicholas Teng

MINUTES

Following discussion, Director Drain moved and Director Lieberknecht seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the July 23, 2008 Board meeting. The motion carried by a 3-0-1 vote. Director Roberts abstained.

MONTHLY BILLS

Business Manager Norma Rosales presented the monthly bills for the period of July 24, 2008 through August 27, 2008. Following discussion, Director Roberts moved and Director Lieberknecht seconded the motion to approve the monthly bills as presented. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

PUBLIC FORUM

Nicholas Tang addressed the Board about the very large increase in the bill for the Sandyland Reef Motel. Philip Eckert addressed the Board and questioned the accuracy of the billing period as shown on the monthly bills.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS

**BLACK OPAL
RANCH LLC.
AGREEMENT FOR
CONSTRUCTION OF
WATER FACILITIES**

Following discussion Director Lieberknecht moved and Director Roberts approved the Agreement for construction of Water Facilities between the District and Black Opal Ranch, LLC, dated July 19, 2008, for the construction of about 300 feet of a new six inch water main for service through a two inch meter and to a fire hydrant on Lot #4 of Rancho Monte Alegre. The motion carried by a 4 – 0 vote.

**GENERAL MANAGER
REPORTS**

FINANCE

**INVESTMENTS- 4TH
QUARTER**

Mrs. Rosales reported the 4th Quarter Investments reports (period ending July 15, 2008).

**DIRECTOR
EXPENSES- 4TH
QUARTER**

Mrs. Rosales presented the 4th Quarter Director Expense reports (period ending June 30, 2008).

**CACHUMA WATER
ACCOUNTING**

Referring to the letter in the Board packet from Kate Rees, General Manager of the Cachuma Operation and Maintenance Board, Director Lieberknecht expressed concerns about proposed use of the boundary meter as an acceptable way to determine Cachuma water deliveries to the District. He questioned whether the boundary meter is an AWWA approved metering device, and whether contractual changes with the Bureau of Reclamation would be necessary to comply with the Bureau requirement that water is metered at the point of delivery, which up to this point has always been the individually metered Bureau turnouts on the various laterals. He indicated that any final determination should reflect a Board determination. Mr. Hamilton noted that the matter would remain under review and consideration for several months before any final determination is made, but that the boundary meter is now being used to calculate Cachuma water deliveries to the District. Mrs. Rosales noted that the correction resulted in about \$100,000 of additional water expense to the District during the 2008 fiscal year.

**OPERATIONS &
MAINTENANCE-
MONTHLY REPORT**

Superintendent Omar Castro presented the Operations & Maintenance report for the month of July 2008.

**ENGINEERING-
MONTHLY REPORT**

District Engineer Bob McDonald presented the monthly Project Status report for August 2008.

**WATER SUPPLY-
MONTHLY REPORT**

Dr. Alex Keuper presented the Water Supply monthly report for August 2008. Mr. Hamilton noted that its revised format is not yet final.

**OPTIONS FOR
PROVISION OF A
HEADQUARTERS
WELL HOUSING
STRUCTURE**

Following a site visit by all staff and Directors present, Mr. Hamilton reported that staff had prepared a few options for the Board to consider for a rollaway housing structure at the Headquarters Well for possible action at today's meeting. He distributed copies of two proposals, one from Bakersfield Well & Pump for \$134,500 and one from Z-Pipeline Construction Inc. for \$106,043. He proposed a third option of \$97,850 for Z-Pipeline with the District taking on the costs and doing the grading for a rock instead of a concrete floor. He noted that proposed amount exceeds the current FY 09 budget amount of \$58,000 by about \$40,000 for this structure, and that to make up the funds needed, other items in the budget would be deferred and re-budgeted in the following year. Following discussion Director Roberts moved and Director Lieberknecht seconded the motion to award a contract to Z-Pipeline for an amount not to exceed \$97,850 for the construction of a rollaway housing structure for the Headquarters well. The motion carried by a 4 -0 vote. Mrs. Rosales noted that a revised capital budget would be prepared.

GENERAL

**CANDIDATE FILING
RESULTS FOR**

Mr. Hamilton reported that a third candidate, James Reed, has filed for the November 4 District Board of Directors election for the two positions held

**NOVEMBER 4TH
ELECTION**

by incumbents June Van Wingerden and Robert Lieberknecht.

**SANTA BARBARA
WATER
COMMISSION
MEETING, AUGUST
11, 2008**

Mr. Hamilton reported briefly about the Santa Barbara Water Commission meeting he attended on August 11, 2008.

**SANTA BARBARA
CITY COUNCIL
MEETING, AUGUST
12, 2008**

Mr. Hamilton reported briefly about the Santa Barbara City Council meeting he attended on August 12, 2008. He spoke in favor of the staff recommendation for a study to determine the costs and timeline needed to reactivate the City's desalination plant.

**URBAN WATER
INSTITUTE'S
ANNUAL WATER
CONFERENCE**

Mr. Hamilton commented briefly about the memo in the Board packet prepared by Dr. Alex Keuper about his attendance at the Urban Water Institute's Annual Water Conference held in San Diego, August 13 -15, 2008.

**MONTECITO WATER
DISTRICT'S WATER
RATES MEETINGS**

Mr. Hamilton reported briefly about his attendance at the Montecito Water District's August 19 Water Rates Public Hearing and also his attendance and comments made at the August 20 Public Meeting at 6:30 pm.

**CACHUMA
RECREATION PLAN
PUBLIC MEETING**

Mr. Hamilton reported briefly about his attendance and comments made at the Cachuma Recreation Plan public meeting sponsored by the Bureau of Reclamation and held on August 26 at 6:30 pm in the Veterans Memorial Hall in Solvang.

**EMPLOYEE
RELATIONS DINNER**

Mrs. Rosales reported briefly on preparations underway for the Employee Relations event scheduled for September 13 at the MarMonte Hotel.

**UTILITY
EXECUTIVES
WORKSHOP**

Mr. Hamilton reported that he will be attending the Utility Executives Workshop sponsored by the Cucamonga Valley Water District and Mathis & Associates on September 18-20 in Indian Wells.

**INTRODUCTION TO
EMERGENCY
MANAGEMENT:
EARTHQUAKE**

Mr. Hamilton reported that he will be attending the "Introduction to Emergency Management: Earthquake" program arranged by the CA Office of Emergency Services and the California Specialized Training Institute, November 3-7 in San Luis Obispo.

DIRECTOR REPORTS

**CACHUMA
CONSERVATION
RELEASE BOARD
AND CACHUMA
OPERATION AND
MAINTENANCE
BOARD MEETINGS**

Director Lieberknecht presented reports on the Cachuma Conservation and Release Board and Cachuma Operation and Maintenance Board meetings held on July 28th and August 25th, 2008.

NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled Board meeting will be a regular Board meeting held on

September 24, 2008, at 4:00 p.m. at 1301 Santa Ynez Ave.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice President Van Wingerden declared the meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Charles B. Hamilton". The signature is written in black ink on a light-colored background.

Charles B. Hamilton, General Manager/Secretary