

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

October 13, 2010

President Lemere called the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Carpinteria Valley Water District at Carpinteria City Hall to order at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, October 13, 2010, and led the Board and others in the recital of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Directors Present: Lemere, Van Wingerden, Lieberknecht, Roberts, Drain

Directors Absent: None

Others Present: Charles Hamilton
Robert McDonald
Kathy Stone
Roger Myers
David Gardner
David Morris

MINUTES

Following discussion, Director Van Wingerden moved and Director Lieberknecht seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the regular Board meeting held on September 29, 2010. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

PUBLIC FORUM

No one from the public addressed the Board.

**2009 CARPINTERIA
GROUNDWATER
BASIN ANNUAL
REPORT
PRESENTED BY
DAVID GARDNER OF
FUGRO WEST, INC**

David Gardner from Fugro West, Inc. gave a presentation about the 2009 Carpinteria Groundwater Basin Annual Report. Following questions and discussion, President Lemere directed General Manager Hamilton to prepare a scope of work for additional study of the elevated nitrate levels in some wells, for future review and consideration by the Strategic and Capital Facilities Plan Committee.

**RESPONSES TO
CUSTOMER
INQUIRIES ABOUT
DISTRICT LEGAL
REPRESENTATION**

President Lemere responded to questions posed by David Morris at the September 29, 2010 Board meeting about Price Postel and Parma's representation on matters related to the District's involvement with Rancho Monte Alegre, and also related to discussions with Montecito Water District about Carpinteria Valley Water District's possible sale of State and/or Cachuma water to Montecito Water District. President Lemere stated that the law firm of Price Postel and Parma represented the District on matters pertaining to Rancho Monte Alegre from August of 2000 until September 28, 2005. Attorney Katherine Stone was hired on September 28, 2005 to handle Rancho Monte Alegre matters. He also stated that Price Postel and Parma does not represent both Montecito and Carpinteria Valley Water Districts on matters pertaining to a possible sale of State and/or Cachuma Project water to Montecito Water District. The District, as needed, will use the services of Attorney Katherine Stone on these matters. Mr. Morris then asked if Price Postel and Parma continued to represent Montecito Water District when Carpinteria Valley Water District used the

services of Kathy Stone. Mr. Hamilton responded that as Price Postel and Parma serves as General Counsel for Montecito Water District this could happen, but not if Carpinteria Valley Water District objected.

**CHANGES TO RULES
AND REGULATIONS,
NUMBERS 10,13,17,
AND 24**

Following discussion, and proposed changes by Director Drain relative to Certified Mail with Return Receipt notification and a specific amount of time to respond to written notice for discontinuance of service due to meter inaccessibility, Director Roberts moved and Director Drain seconded the motion to approve the proposed changes to the Rules and Regulations, Numbers 10, 13, 17 and 24 with changes reflecting Director Drain's suggestions. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

**CONCEPTUAL FORM
AND STRUCTURE
FOR ORGANIZATION
OF CCRB AND COMB**

Following a brief summary of the document dated September 13, 2010 setting forth a conceptual form and structure for organization of the Cachuma Conservation Release Board (CCRB) and the Cachuma Operation and Maintenance Board (COMB), and discussion, Director Lieberknecht moved and Director Van Wingerden seconded the motion to approve the Conceptual Form and Structure for Organization of CCRB and COMB as presented. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

**EL CARRO WELL-
STATUS REPORT**

District Engineer Robert McDonald gave a brief summary of the status of the well development work at the El Carro Well.

**CITY OF PISMO
BEACH INQUIRY
REGARDING
POSSIBLE
PURCHASE OF UP TO
200 AF OF STATE
WATER**

Mr. Hamilton gave a brief summary of the staff level discussions now in progress about a possible purchase by the City of Pismo Beach of up to 200 AF of the District's State Water Allotment. No action was taken.

**LETTER FROM
RIDGELAND
MUTUAL WATER
COMPANY**

Mr. Hamilton gave a brief summary of a letter received from Ridgeland Mutual Water Company regarding studies about the possible District acquisition of Ridgeland's private water utility system, now served by the District through a master meter. Following discussion, no action was taken.

**LETTER FROM THE
SANTA BARBARA
COUNTY CIVIL
GRAND JURY**

President Lemere reported on the recent request from the Santa Barbara County Civil Grand Jury, as part of a County-wide survey, for information about compensation received by Directors and District officers. He reported that the District has responded as requested.

**AMERICAN WATER
WORKS
ASSOCIATION
JOURNAL ARTICLE,
SOLAR MAKES
SENSE FOR WATER
UTILITIES**

Mr. Hamilton briefly reported on an article in the latest American Water Works Association Journal about solar energy for water utilities utilizing power purchase agreements (PPAs) as a way to finance the necessary expenditures. He reported that he is in discussion with a local provider of solar services, and is preparing to bring a proposal with a scope of work for a reconnaissance level type study to ascertain the general feasibility of a solar application for Carpinteria Valley Water District. He indicated that he would present such a proposal at a future meeting of the Strategic and Capital Facilities Plan Committee. Director Van Wingerden commented that often the opportunity is not there if it is determined that adequate capacity

connection for the use of the solar generated power is not available.

NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled Board meeting will be a regular meeting held on October 20, 2010, at 4:00 p.m. in the Board meeting room at 1301 Santa Ynez Avenue.

ADJOURNMENT

President Lemere declared the meeting adjourned at 6:49 p.m.



Charles B. Hamilton, General Manager/Secretary