

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

November 10, 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, November 10, 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
Roger Myers
Norma Rosales
Alex Keuper
Rhonda Gutierrez
Brian King
Mike Shaffer
Sonia Fernandez
Lynne Ducharme
Alonzo Orozco
Janet Gingras

MINUTES

Following discussion, Director Drain moved and Director Roberts seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the regular Board meeting held on November 3, 2010. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

PUBLIC FORUM

No one from the public addressed the Board.

DIRECTOR REPORTS

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business.

**PRESENTATION BY
ENGINEERING
DEPARTMENT**

Following a brief introduction by General Manager Hamilton about this presentation being the first of three Department presentations to the Board, he introduced District Engineer Bob McDonald. Mr. McDonald then led his group of employees, namely, Brian King, Mike Shaffer and Rhonda Gutierrez in presentations about the many tasks they perform in the Engineering Department. He was thanked by President Lemere for the excellent presentations and important work done by the Engineering Department for the District.

**EL CARRO WELL-
STATUS REPORT**

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

RATE AND BUDGET

President Lemere asked if Directors Drain and Roberts had any comments

**COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON
NOVEMBER 4, 2010**

about the Rate and Budget Committee meeting held on November 4, 2010, prior to discussion about the specific agenda, and they had none.

**OPTIONS RELATED
TO CACHUMA
CONSERVATION
RELEASE BOARD
MEMBERSHIP
THROUGH JUNE,
2011**

Mr. Hamilton presented a recommendation to not rescind the District's letter of withdrawal from CCRB effective January 1, 2010 as set forth in the letter signed by President Lemere dated December 17, 2009 to then CCRB President Abel, and further not allocate about \$37,000 of District reserves to continue participation in CCRB through June of 2011. Mr. Hamilton emphasized the need to use existing budgeted reserves for other pressing needs related to District infrastructure, and also significantly reduce an unbudgeted District liability known as Other Post-Employment Benefits. He further stated that vigilance and protection of the District's Cachuma water rights can instead be effectively pursued by staff at no additional cost to the District. Director Lieberknecht expressed concern about the abruptness of the recommendation, and voiced concerns about the possible ramifications of strained relationships with the District's heretofore partner agencies at CCRB. Mr. Hamilton noted that the information he received about the pressing need for the use of District reserves for infrastructure was very recent. In response to a request by President Lemere Mr. Hamilton said he bears full responsibility for the recommendation, and criticism should be addressed to him, and not Director Lieberknecht. No action was taken.

**CVWD AND MWD
COST SHARING FOR
CATER ADVANCED
TREATMENT
PROJECT**

General Manager Hamilton gave a brief overview of the status of the Joint Powers Agreement between the District, the City of Santa Barbara and the Montecito Water District for the funding of capital improvements at the Cater Treatment Plant in Santa Barbara. This item will be brought back to the board for consideration once a Construction Repayment Agreement is received from the City of Santa Barbara.

**CONTRACT TO MNS
FOR
CONSTRUCTION
MANAGEMENT
SERVICES FOR THE
CENTRAL ZONE
IMPROVEMENT
PROJECT**

Following a presentation by District Engineer Bob McDonald, and discussion, Director Van Wingerden moved and Director Roberts seconded the motion to award contract to MNS for construction management services for the Central Zone Pipeline Improvement Project for a not to exceed amount of \$135,000. The motion carried by 5-0 vote.

NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled Board meeting will be a regular meeting held on November 17, 2010, at 4:00 p.m. in the Board meeting room at 1301 Santa Ynez Avenue.

ADJOURNMENT

President Lemere declared the meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.



Charles B. Hamilton, General Manager/Secretary