

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

April 27, 2011

President Van Wingerden called the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Carpinteria Valley Water District at City Hall to order at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 27, 2011, and led the Board and others present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Directors Present: Ducharme, Lieberknecht, Orozco, Van Wingerden,
Roberts
Directors Absent: None
Others Present: Charles Hamilton
Norma Rosales
Roger Myers
Alex Keuper
Robert McDonald
Clay Brown
Sonia Fernandez

MINUTES

Following discussion, Director Ducharme moved and Director Roberts seconded the motion to approve the amended minutes of the April 13, 2011 Board meeting. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

MONTHLY BILLS

Assistant General Manager Norma Rosales presented the monthly bills for the period of March 16, 2011 through April 19, 2011. Following questions and discussion, Director Lieberknecht moved and Director Orozco seconded the motion to approve the monthly bills as presented. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

**GENERAL MANAGER
REPORTS**

Following discussion, Director Ducharme moved and Director Lieberknecht seconded the motion to approve the Financial report submitted by Assistant General Manager Rosales. The motion carried by 5-0 vote.

PUBLIC FORUM

No one from the public addressed the Board.

**CACHUMA
OPERATION &
MAINTENANCE
BOARD**

Director Lieberknecht gave an oral report of the Cachuma Operation and Maintenance Board meeting held on April 25, 2011.

**CATER TREATMENT
PLANT - OZONE
PROJECT STATUS
REPORT**

General Manager Charles Hamilton gave a report on the Cater Treatment Plant Ozone Project bid opening he attended April 19, 2011 in Santa Barbara. He noted that there were several bids in the 14 - 15 million dollar range, well within the overall \$20 million Project cost estimate. He believes now that the District will have sufficient funds to cover its estimated \$4 million expense associated with the Project. In response to a question from Director Lieberknecht he also reported that the apparent low bidder was Cushman Contracting Corporation.

**HEADQUARTERS
AND EL CARRO
WELLS**

District Engineer Robert McDonald gave a status report on both the District Headquarters Well and El Carro Well. He also reported on the value of having the Headquarters Well in operation in recent weeks due to problems at the Cater Treatment Plant reducing the flow of water to the District.

**RESPONSE TO
LETTER FROM
HARRY HAHN**

Assistant General Manager Norma Rosales discussed the basis for the memo she prepared included in the Board packet in response to a letter from customer Harry Hahn requesting an exemption from the DEQ charge for his account. Following discussion, and a concern raised by Director Roberts that the Board be consistent in accordance with a request addressed earlier in the year from another customer, Ms. Rosales was directed by President Van Wingerden to confirm and explain the consistency of the Board's possible denial of such a request for DEQ exemption, to be considered at the May 11, 2011 Board meeting.

**RESOLUTION
NUMBER 920:
"RESOLUTION OF
INTENTION TO
APPROVE AN
AMENDMENT TO
CONTRACT
BETWEEN THE
BOARD OF
ADMINISTRATION
CALIFORNIA
PUBLIC EMPLOYEES
RETIREMENT
SYSTEM AND THE
BOARD OF
DIRECTORS
CARPINTERIA
VALLEY WATER
DISTRICT"**

Following a brief explanation by Assistant General Manager Rosales that the proposed Resolution No. 920 is necessary to change the District's Contract with the California Public Employee' Retirement System in order to require that all future employees of the District, after the effective date of the Amendment to the Contract, have their retirement compensation based on their final three years of employment, instead of final one year of employment applicable to current employees, Director Orozco moved and Director Lieberknecht seconded the motion to adopt Resolution Number 920, "Resolution of Intention to Approve an Amendment to Contract Between the Board of Administration California Public Employees Retirement System and the Board of Directors Carpinteria Valley Water District."

Roll call on Resolution No. 920 resulted in adoption as follows:

Ayes: Roberts, Van Wingerden, Orozco, Lieberknecht, Ducharme
Nays: None
Absent: None

**REPORT OF RATE &
BUDGET
COMMITTEE**

Director Ducharme gave a brief oral report about the Rate & Budget Committee meeting held on April 19, 2011.

**PROPOSED FY 11-12
BUDGET AND RATES**

Assistant General Manager Norma Rosales gave a presentation about the preliminary FY11-12 Budget and Rates projections. She noted that further reductions in costs associated with State Water as well as cost estimates for purchased water allow for additional reductions to the proposed water rates. Following discussion and a suggestion by Director Roberts to consider the water rate effects of projecting an additional 100 AF of water sales for the coming fiscal year, President Van Wingerden directed Ms. Rosales to prepare such an analysis for review by the Rate & Budget Committee and for future consideration by the Board.

LETTER TO

Following a brief introduction by General Manager Hamilton about the

**RESIDENTS OF
MOBILE HOME
PARKS ABOUT
PROPOSITION 218
REQUIREMENTS**

proposed letter to residents of mobile home parks about the requirements of Proposition 218 limiting one protest per parcel for purposes of protesting a water rate increase, President Van Wingerden directed Mr. Hamilton to send the letter as prepared.

**DRAFT LETTER TO
RANDY HASLAM IN
RESPONSE TO HIS
LETTER DATED
FEBRUARY 9, 2011**

Following an introduction by Mr. Hamilton about the proposed letter to customer Randy Haslam in response to the comments and questions presented in his letter dated February 9, 2011, Director Van Wingerden directed Mr. Hamilton to send the letter to Mr. Haslam as prepared.

**COMB FACILITIES
TOUR APRIL 29, 2011**

Mr. Hamilton reported that a tour of COMB facilities including various fish passage projects was scheduled for April 29. No Director indicated availability to attend.

NEXT MEETING

The next Board meeting will be a regular meeting held on May 11, 2011, at 5:30 p.m. in the Carpinteria City Council Chamber, 5775 Carpinteria Ave, Carpinteria, California.

ADJOURNMENT

President Van Wingerden declared the meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.



Charles B. Hamilton, General Manager/Secretary