

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

April 22, 2009

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, April 22, 2009.

Directors Present: Lieberknecht, Roberts, Van Wingerden, Drain

Directors Absent: Lemere

Others Present: Charles Hamilton
Norma Rosales
Rob McDonald
Omar Castro
Alex Keuper
Kathy Stone
Matt Bloise

MINUTES

Following discussion, Director Drain moved and Director Van Wingerden seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the April 15, 2009 Board meeting. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote. Director Roberts and Lemere were absent.

DIRECTOR ROBERTS

Director Roberts arrived at 4:01.

MONTHLY BILLS

Business Manager Norma Rosales presented the monthly bills for the period of March 18, 2009 through April 14, 2009. Following discussion Director Roberts moved and Director Drain seconded the motion to approve the bills as presented. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

PUBLIC FORUM

No one from the public addressed the Board.

OLD BUSINESS

**PROPOSITION 218
PROTEST COUNT
THRESHOLD**

Following an introduction by General Manager Hamilton, who referred to his memo in the Board packet explaining the rationale for including and notifying in the Proposition 218 process to those non-customers of the District served by master meters, Director Lieberknecht moved and Director Drain seconded the motion to accept the Manager's recommendation to include non-customers served by District master meters in the Proposition 218 protest process, thereby making 6,398 the total number of possible protests, and thereby requiring a total of 3,200 protests for a Proposition 218 protest to be effective. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

**AGREEMENTS
BETWEEN DISTRICT
AND JOINT POWERS
INSURANCE
AUTHORITY, MSN**

Following an introduction by District Engineer Bob McDonald and discussion, Director Roberts moved and Director Lieberknecht seconded the motion to approve a Reimbursement agreement between the District and the ACWA Joint Powers Insurance Authority relative to costs associated with a diesel fuel spill on Rancho Monte Alegre on November 14, 2007, and also

**ENGINEERS AND
UNION
ENGINEERING**

related agreements between the District and MSN Engineers and Union Engineering in substantial form as a presented, subject to final review by District special counsel Katherine Stone. The motion carried by a 4- 0 vote.

NEW BUSINESS

**REPORT OF APRIL
21, 2009 STRATEGIC
WATER
MANAGEMENT
COMMITTEE
MEETING**

Mr. Hamilton briefly summarized the discussion of the Strategic Water Management committee meeting held on April 21, 2009. He noted that while no alternative to the current District policy requiring separate meters for separate structural units was identified during this meeting, staff will be making some site investigations to determine if indeed there may be some justification for treatment as exception to current District policy for certain structures under consideration. No action was taken.

**COUNTY WATER
RATES SURVEY,
SPRING 2009**

Mr. Hamilton distributed copies of the County prepared Survey of Water Rates in Santa Barbara County as of April 2009. He noted that among Cachuma member units on the south coast, Carpinteria Valley monthly costs for 10 and 20 units of water, with the notable exception of its Lifeline customers, are the highest. No action was taken.

**GENERAL MANAGER
REPORTS**

FINANCIAL

**MONTHLY
STATEMENTS**

Business Manager Rosales presented the District's Monthly Statements for the month of February 2009 for Board review and discussion.

DISTRICT RESERVES

Mrs. Rosales presented and summarized the status of projected District reserves as of June 30, 2009 for review and comment by the Board.

**OPERATION AND
MAINTENANCE**

Operations & Maintenance Manager Omar Castro presented the O&M report for the month of April 2009 for review and comment by the Board.

ENGINEERING

District Engineer Bob McDonald presented the Engineering report for the month of April 2009 for Board review and comment.

WATER SUPPLY

Administrative Analyst Dr. Alex Keuper presented the Water Supply report for the month of March 2009 for Board review and comment.

GENERAL

**COMB OPERATING
COMMITTEE
MEETING**

Mr. Hamilton briefly summarized the status of his concerns about Cachuma Project cost sharing, as expressed at both the Operating Committee meeting held on April 1, 2009 and in a recent Board meeting of the Cachuma Operation & Maintenance Board. Following discussion he was directed by Vice President Van Wingerden to further develop in writing his Cachuma cost sharing analysis and concerns, with staff assistance as needed.

**SANTA BARBARA
WATER**

Mr. Hamilton reported briefly on his attendance at the April 13 Santa Barbara Water Commission meeting, noting that action was taken by the

**COMMISSION
MEETING**

Commission to recommend a Resolution of Intention to City Council relative to the Cater Treatment Plant Advanced Design and its funding by debt over time. Carpinteria Valley Water District will be obligated to pay about 20% of the estimated \$20 million Treatment Plant improvement, pending award of grant monies that would reduce the total amount.

**STATE WATER SALE
DISCUSSIONS**

Mr. Hamilton reported that State Water Sale discussions with representatives of Coastal Management Resources were proceeding, and that he would be making a presentation about the proposed sale of State Water at the April 23 Board meeting of Central Coast Water Authority.

**WATER UTILITY
WORKER HIRING
STATUS**

Mr. Hamilton reported that he had made a decision to provisionally hire Ryan Quiroga pending completion of a physical exam. Ryan will fill one of the two vacant Water Utility Worker positions. The current Budget does not provide funding for a second Water Utility Worker to be hired. He complimented both Business Manager Rosales and Operations & Maintenance Manager Castro for the very thorough interview process they conducted. Mr. Castro noted that there were a total of 117 applicants for the position.

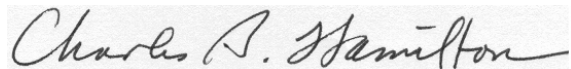
DIRECTOR REPORTS

NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled Board meeting will be a regular Board meeting held on May 13, 2009, at 4:00 pm in the Board meeting room at 1301 Santa Ynez Ave.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice President Van Wingerden declared the meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.



Charles B. Hamilton, General Manager/Secretary