

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

January 24, 2007

President Lemere called the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Carpinteria Valley Water District to order at 4:07 p.m. Wednesday January 24, 2007.

Directors Present: Lemere, Lieberknecht, Roberts, Van Wingerden

Directors Absent: Drain

Others Present: Charles Hamilton
Bob McDonald
Norma Rosales
Omar Castro
Suzie Lara
Chip Wullbrandt

MINUTES

Following discussion, Director Van Wingerden moved and Director Roberts seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the January 17, 2007 Board meeting. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

MONTHLY BILLS

Following a brief overview presented by Business Manager Norma Rosales, and discussion, Director Van Wingerden moved and Director Lieberknecht seconded the motion to approve the monthly bills for the period of December 21, 2006 through January 24, 2007. The motion carried by a 4 – 0 vote.

PUBLIC FORUM

No one from the public addressed the Board.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS

**ENVIRONMENTAL
SERVICES
PROPOSAL BY
PADRE FOR
STORAGE TANK
PROJECT.**

General Manager Hamilton distributed copies of a proposal for environmental services from Padre Associates, Inc. dated January 23, 2007, and briefly discussed the need for these services, in particular Addendum No. 3 to the Final Environmental Impact Report, to proceed with the Storage Tank Project and construction of water service and related facilities to serve Rancho Monte Alegre. Following discussion, Director Roberts moved and Director Van Wingerden seconded the motion to authorize the General Manager to engage the services of Padre Associates Inc. as set forth in Padre's proposal dated January 23, 2007 for not to exceed a cost of \$27,500. The motion carried a 4-0 vote.

**GENERAL
MANAGER'S
REPORTS**

FINANCIAL -

Business Manager Rosales presented the monthly financial statements for

MONTHLY STATEMENTS

the period ending December 31, 2006.

QUARTERLY DIRECTOR REIMBURSEMENT REPORT

Mr. Hamilton reported that quarterly Director reimbursement reports are now required as a result of the Board's recently adopted policy reflecting AB 1234. Business Manager Norma Rosales then distributed the October – December 2006 Director reimbursement report as an informational item.

INVESTMENTS

Mrs. Rosales briefly commented on the status of District investments with the California Local Agency Investment Fund as presented on statements distributed with the Board packet.

OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE

Operations and Maintenance Manager Omar Castro presented the Operations and Maintenance report for the month of December, 2006.

ENGINEERING

WATER SUPPLY

District Engineer Bob McDonald presented the monthly Water Supply report for December 2006.

PROJECT STATUS REPORT

Mr. Mc Donald presented the Project Status report for December 2006.

GENERAL

LETTER FROM U.S. EPA DATED JANUARY 9, 2007 RE: UNREGULATED CONTAMINANT MONITORING

Mr. Hamilton noted the inclusion of the official notification dated January 9, 2007 from the U.S. EPA that Carpinteria Valley Water District is required to monitor unregulated contaminants pursuant to the Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Regulation. Mr. Castro added that the regulation also requires additional unregulated contaminants be monitored in the future.

LETTER FROM GEORGE LEHTINEN RE: PRESENTATION OF BILLING INFORMATION

Mr. Hamilton referred to the letter in the Board packet from George Lehtinen regarding the presentation of information on the District's monthly bills. Mrs. Rosales then explained that staff is exploring a new printing and mailing system that will allow the District to easily change the billing text. Mr. Hamilton commented that he would respond to Mr. Lehtinen's letter with this information, and that his suggested changes will be taken into consideration.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

ORTEGA RESERVOIR- STATUS REPORT

Mr. Hamilton reported that since last week's Board meeting he learned that a roof support and material production problem attributed to Conservatek has caused a delay such that the contractor, Cushman, has demobilized. The next joint Montecito - Carpinteria Valley Water District Ortega Committee meeting is scheduled for February 13, 2007.

STORAGE TANK-

Mr. Hamilton reported that there were a number of items related to the

STATUS REPORT

Storage Tank Project to be updated. He discussed the progress of the Lot 4 Swale diversion, under RMA's direction. The Swale pipeline installation into the Creek channel is at least 3 weeks out. He reported that he was completing the permitting process with County Planning and Development relative to the use of County Flood Control fill dirt and would be meeting on Friday, January 26 with County staff. He discussed the disposition of rocks and boulders from the Tank excavation, and reported that the Ranch has informed him that there is no longer a need for the Ranch to move them across the Santa Monica Creek channel bridge to the eastside of the channel. He reported that a creosote dump site was discovered on Friday January 19 under the roadway near the Tank, but on private property. He discussed District efforts, including those of Padre Associates hired by the District, as well as the regulatory roles of the County of Santa Barbara Fire and Public Health Departments as well as the Carpinteria-Summerland Fire Protection District to address the problem, protect the Tank site and work with the property owner to properly dispose of the creosote, classified as a hazardous material.

CIP DOCUMENTARY VIDEO- STATUS REPORT

Mr. Hamilton reported that he had partially reviewed the CIP documentary video and requested guidance from the Board as to the next step. Following a brief discussion it was determined that its completion would be put on hold until the Storage Tank project is complete.

DIRECTOR REPORTS**DIRECTOR VAN WINGERDEN NAMED CARPINTERIAN OF THE YEAR**

As a preface to Director reports, Director Lemere noted that Director June Van Wingerden was named Carpinterian of the Year by the Chamber of Commerce at its 49th Annual Community Awards Banquet & Annual Meeting on January 20, 2007. Everyone on the Board extended hearty congratulations to Director Van Wingerden.

CACHUMA CONSERVATION RELEASE BOARD MEETING

Director Lieberknecht gave an oral report about the January 22, 2007 Cachuma Conservation Release Board Meeting.

CACHUMA OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE BOARD MEETING

Director Lieberknecht gave an oral report about the January 22, 2007 Cachuma Operations and Maintenance Board Meeting.

RECESS

President Lemere declared a recess at 5:05 pm.

CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9 (a)

At 5:10 p.m. President Lemere convened the Board in closed session for conference with legal counsel pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (a) existing litigation: Theodore Sampson v. Carpinteria Valley Water District: Case No. 1241788. President Lemere reconvened the Board in open session at 5:15 p.m. No action was taken.

NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled Board meeting will be a Regular meeting held on February 21, 2007, at 7:00 pm at Carpinteria City Hall 5775 Carpinteria

Ave. Carpinteria.

ADJOURNMENT

President Lemere declared the meeting adjourned at 5:16 p.m.



Charles B. Hamilton, General Manager/Secretary