

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

October 17, 2007

President Lemere called the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Carpinteria Valley Water District to order at 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, October 17, 2007.

Directors Present: Lemere, Roberts, Lieberknecht, Van Wingerden

Directors Absent: Drain

Others Present: Charles Hamilton

Norma Rosales

Suzie Lara

Bob Mc Donald

Omar Castro

MINUTES

Following discussion, Director Roberts moved and Director Lemere seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the September 26, 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 Roberts seconded the motion to approve the monthly bills for the period of September 27, 2007 through October 17, 2007. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

PUBLIC FORUM

No one from the public addressed the Board.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS

**PRESENTATIONS BY
STEVE TANNER, BOB
MCDONALD AND
CHARLES
HAMILTON ABOUT
THE PROPOSED EL
CARRO WELL
REPLACEMENT AND
CENTRAL ZONE
PIPELINE
IMPROVEMENTS
PROJECT**

Steve Tanner of Pueblo Water Resources made a presentation on the status of the Integrated Regional Water Management Plan process, a matrix of identified District projects, and the District's chosen Prop 50 project. He then presented a Basis of Design memo for the El Carro Well Replacement component of the District's larger El Carro Well Replacement and Central Zone Pipeline Replacement Project, to be funded with up to \$2 million of Proposition 50 grant funds and up to \$1 million of proceeds from District issued COPs and Capital Cost Recovery fees. District Engineer Bob McDonald then made a presentation on the Central Zone Pipeline Replacement component of the larger Project. Following discussion by Directors and staff, Mr. Hamilton then presented a draft of an article for the next H2KNOW newsletter about the El Carro Well Replacement and Central Zone Pipeline Improvements Project. Following discussion, Director Roberts agreed to assist Mr. Hamilton with the article.

**PUEBLO WATER
RESOURCES**

General Manager Hamilton distributed copies of the October 17 proposal for professional services form Pueblo Water Resources for the design

PROPOSAL FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE EL CARRO WELL REPLACEMENT

construction management and testing for the El Carro Well replacement. He suggested that the Board today authorize only the Initial Design part of the proposal for a not to exceed cost of \$47,660. Following discussion, Director Van Wingerden moved and Director Roberts seconded the motion to approve the Pueblo Water Resources proposal for Initial Design work for a not to exceed amount of \$47,660. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

NOTICES OF EXEMPTION FOR EL CARRO WELL REPLACEMENT AND CENTRAL ZONE PIPELINE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Mr. Hamilton reported that upon further consideration, only one environmental document would be prepared for the El Carro Well Replacement and Central Zone Pipeline Improvements Project, most likely a Mitigated Negative Declaration. He also reported that he had asked Donna Hebert of Padre Associates to prepare a proposal to do this work, for Board action on November 14, 2007. He also noted that he had authorized her to begin the Initial Study. No action was taken.

MAINLINE REPLACEMENT ACROSS CARPINTERIA CREEK

Mr. McDonald presented a brief overview of design issues associated with the City's proposed replacement of the Carpinteria Creek footbridge at the east end of Eighth Street in conjunction with the District's desire to utilize the new bridge structure to carry a replacement for the District's 60 year old water main currently under the Creek at that location.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORTS

FINANCIAL - MONTHLY STATEMENTS

Mrs. Rosales presented the monthly financial statements for the period ending September, 2007.

ACCOUNTING / BILLING SOFTWARE REPLACEMENT

Mr. Hamilton introduced this item by noting the exemplary leadership of Business Manager Norma Rosales in coordinating the software replacement process with Casitas Municipal and Montecito Water Districts, resulting in reduced costs to all three districts, and he also noted the importance of Director comments made at earlier Board meetings that helped to ensure a very thorough process. Mrs. Rosales then proceeded with a PowerPoint presentation about the software selection process and following discussion, Director Van Wingerden moved and Director Lieberknecht seconded the motion to approve the Incode Software proposal in the amount of 155,441. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE - MONTHLY REPORT

Operations and Maintenance Manager Omar Castro presented the Operations and Maintenance report covering the months of September and October 2007. Mr. Castro also distributed letters received from Gregory and Linda Law of 7343 Shepard Mesa Road about the problems they are having with noise emanating from District facilities. Mr. Castro noted that he expects to have the problem resolved within 3-4 weeks or sooner if possible, depending upon the delivery of necessary parts ordered from Canada.

LEAD AND COPPER RULE

Mr. Castro also distributed a quick reference guide about the Lead and Copper Rule. He noted that the District was about a week late in completing

the required sample testing and as a result will be required by the Department of Health Services to report this violation in the next Consumer Confidence Report.

**ENGINEERING -
WATER SUPPLY**

District Engineer Bob McDonald presented the Water Supply report covering the months of September and October 2007.

**PROJECT STATUS
REPORT**

Mr. McDonald presented the Project Status report covering the months of September and October 2007.

**RMA PHASE V
CHANGE ORDER-
STATUS REPORT**

Mr. McDonald reported that the current grading work performed by Camarillo Engineering as part of the RMA Phase V project will likely require a change order due to greater amount of soil to be removed and re-compacted than shown on the bid sheet, to be presented at the November 14 Board meeting for action.

**DISCUSSIONS WITH
GUADALUPE RE:
SALE OF STATE
WATER**

Mr. Hamilton and Director Lemere provided a brief report about a meeting held in Guadalupe on September 27, 2007 with Guadalupe Mayor Lupe Alvarez, City Manager Carolyn Galloway-Cooper, Engineer Ruben Moreno and Craig Smith of MKL Development, to discuss the general schedule and terms of negotiations for a sale of State Water.

**CCWA OPERATIONS
COMMITTEE
MEETING**

Mr. Hamilton reported on the discussion held at the Central Coast Water Authority Operating Committee meeting held on October 11, 2007 about the proposed sale of State Water to Guadalupe, and the District's possible use of the Irvine Ranch Water District's water bank for storage of State Water. He noted that he would be meeting with ID#1 Manager Chris Dahlstrom and CCWA Manager Bill Brennan on October 23, 2007 about the possible effects on exchange water available to ID#1 as a result of a sale to Guadalupe.

**SANTA BARBARA
COUNTY WATER
PURVEYORS
MEETING**

Mr. Hamilton distributed a letter, discussed at the Water Purveyors meeting held on October 11, 2007, to the U.S Forest Service relative to deficiencies in the BAER report relative to major potential impacts to Gibraltar Reservoir due to the huge loss of habitat destroyed in the Zaca Fire. He noted that the main concerns are massive silt loading and water quality degradation in Gibraltar Reservoir. The letter requests that the BAER report be modified to identify and approve immediate actions to mitigate erosion impacts to Gibraltar.

**PERSONNEL HIRING
- STATUS REPORT**

Mr. Hamilton gave a brief report on the status of new hires at the District.

**OCTOBER 26, 2007
RATE & BUDGET
COMMITTEE
MEETING**

Mr. Hamilton noted that materials were being prepared by staff for the October 26 Rate & Budget committee meeting about commercial rates, a request to consider a landscape irrigation rate, and for additional review of a new rate structure proposed by Robert Regis.

**ORTEGA
RESERVOIR**

Mr. Hamilton had nothing new to report on this item other than to note that the next joint Montecito and Carpinteria Valley Water District Ortega Committee meeting will be held on November 13.

**FOOTHILL
RESERVOIR**

Mr. Hamilton reported that he had been meeting with RMA neighbors Teton, Wigle and Williams and RMA representative Stewart Welch to facilitate the remainder of work to be done by RMA relative to drainage swales on their properties.

**DIRECTORS
REPORTS**

**CENTRAL COAST
WATER AUTHORITY
BOARD MEETING**

Director Lemere gave an oral report of the Central Coast Water Authority Board Meeting held on September 27, 2007.

NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled Board meeting will be a regular Board meeting held on November 14, 2007, at 4:00 pm in the Board meeting room at 1301 Santa Ynez Avenue.

ADJOURNMENT

President Lemere declared the meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.



Charles B. Hamilton
Charles B. Hamilton, General Manager/Secretary