



Montecito Sanitary District

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MINUTES

For the Regular Meeting of the Board on:

May 15, 2024

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Governing Board of the Montecito Sanitary District convened a regular meeting at 12:07 pm on Wednesday, May 15, 2024. The meeting was also broadcast using Zoom teleconferencing.

ATTENDANCE

Board Members Present:

Directors Hogan, Johnson, Martin, Ohlmann, and Ellwood T. Barrett II

Board Members Absent:

None

Also Present and Participating:

Stephen Williams, MSD Business and Administrative Manager
Aleks Giragosian, MSD General Legal Counsel
Mar Souza, Summerland Sanitary District District Administrator
John Franklin, Summerland Sanitary District Board of Director
Gary Robinson, Summerland Sanitary District Board of Director
David Lews, Summerland Sanitary District Operations Manager
Noah Boland, Member of the Public
Jeff, Member of the Public

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public addressed the Board.

3. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Director Johnson reported on the May 10, 2024 Finance Committee meeting.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

ON MOTION by Director Hogan, Seconded by Director Martin, the Board voted to approve the following Consent Calendar items:

- A. Payables from March 1, 2024 through March 31, 2024
- B. Payables from April 1, 2024 through April 30, 2024
- C. Board Meeting Minutes of the January 11, 2024 Regular Board Meeting
- D. Fiscal Year 2023-24 Unaudited Quarterly Financial Reports – March 31, 2024
- E. Resolution 2023-974 – Service Charge Hearing Date

AYES: Directors Hogan, Johnson, Martin, Ohlmann, and Barrett
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

5. SUMMERLAND SANITARY DISTRICT DISCUSSION

The District discussed ways to leverage opportunities with the Summerland Sanitary District, including getting feedback and information from the attending Board Members and Staff of Summerland Sanitary District. No actions were taken.

6. RECYLCED WATER PLANNING GRANT

ON MOTION by Director Ohlmann, Seconded by Director Barrett, the Board voted to:

- i) Accept a grant award of \$219,930 from the State Water Resources Control Board for the joint Montecito Sanitary District and Montecito Water District Recycled Water Feasibility Study; and
- ii) Authorize the General Manager to cut a check to Montecito Water District for half of the grant award (\$109,965) as this study was a joint effort.

AYES: Directors Hogan, Johnson, Martin, Ohlmann, and Barrett
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

7. CEQA NOTICE OF EXEMPTION FOR PROTECTIVE MEASURES OF DISTRICT FACILITIES (JANUARY 2023)

ON MOTION by Director Hogan, Seconded by Director Ohlmann, the Board voted to:

- i) Determine that this action is not subject to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Exempt Status: Emergency Project (Section 15629), Categorical Exemption Class 2 (Section 15302) and Class 4 (Section 15304) as well as Statutory Exemption (State Code 15269).

8. CLOSED SESSION

A. PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public addressed the Board.

B. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (GOVERNMENT CODE §54957.6)

Name of District Negotiator to Attend Closed Session: John Weigold, General Manager

Name of Employee Organizations: Service Employees International Union (SEIU) Local 620, Montecito Sanitary District Management Group

Reportable Action: None

Note: Director Johnson left at 4:20 pm.

9. **FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 DRAFT BUDGET**

The Board received a presentation from the Business and Administrative Manager on the DRAFT Fiscal Year 2024-25 Budget. No actions were taken.

10. **DISTRICT INSURANCE POLICIES**

This item was continued to a future Board Meeting.

11. **GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

General Manager John Weigold was absent from this meeting so no report was given.

12. **ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA**

The next Board meeting will be a General Meeting of the Board on March 14, 2024. The following topics were brought up as potential agenda items:

- The final Fiscal Year 2023-24 Budget
- The General Manager should present a summary of results of the Salary Survey and make recommendations for Salary Adjustments
- Approval of MSD Salary Ranges for next year
- An updated on the Memorandum of Understanding with Montecito Water District
- An Ad Hoc Committee report on its May 14, 2024 meeting

13. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 5:24 pm ON MOTION by Director Hogan, Seconded by Director Ohlmann.

These minutes were presented for approval at the Regular Board Meeting on June 19, 2024.



Ellwood T. Barrett II, President

Minutes taken and prepared by:



Stephen Williams

Business and Administrative Manager/Clerk of the Board