# **MINUTES**

For the Special Meeting of the Board on:

March 25, 2021

#### **CALL TO ORDER** 1.

The Governing Board of the Montecito Sanitary District convened a special meeting at 2:00 pm on Thursday, March 25, 2021 using Zoom teleconferencing in accordance with the State Executive Order No. N-29-20 issued on March 17, 2020.

### **ATTENDANCE**

## **Board Members Present:**

President Dorinne Lee Johnson, Vice President Woody Barrett, Secretary Dana Newquist, Treasurer Don Eversoll, Director Gary Fuller.

# **Board Members Absent:** None

### Also Present and Participating:

Tony Wong, P.E. Kimley-Horn, MSD Interim General Manager

Mark Manion, MSD General Counsel

Elizabeth (Betsy) A. Byrne, MSD District Administrator

Carrie Poytress, P.E. MSD Engineering Manager

Ricardo Larroude, MSD Collections Supervisor

Alison Thompson

Hillary Hauser

Donna S

Jeff Kerns

John Weigold

Ken

Local Resident

Nick Turner

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#### 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public addressed the Board.

#### **OLD BUSINESS** 3.

None.

#### 4. **NEW BUSINESS**

### A. STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT

The Board received a report by Director Barrett of the joint committee meeting of the Strategic Planning Committees of the Montecito Sanitary District and the Montecito Water Districts.

The Board discussed the proposed cost sharing agreement with the Montecito Water District for the Recycled Water Preliminary Design Report and 30% Design. The Board also discussed the Montecito Water District's threshold analysis for special district consolidation.

ON MOTION by Director Newquist, second by Director Eversoll, the Board voted to direct legal Counsel (Mark Manion) to draft the steps necessary and process for consideration of Consolidation [with the Montecito Water District.]

> AYES: Directors Barrett, Eversoll, Newquist, and Johnson

NAYS: Director Fuller

None ABSTAIN: ABSENT: None

### **Public Comment:**

Member of the Public, Hillary Hauser, of Heal the Ocean addressed the board about the legality of a sanitary district's ability to participate and fund a recycled water project: it's legal, they're doing it all the time.

Hillary later addressed the board to state that consultant Rob Morrow of Water Systems Consulting knows how to get the funding; getting his advice might be really well worth the money, how to get the grant, how it works, who pays...

Director Barrett asked Hillary "In order to apply for this planning grant, do you need the design study?"

Hillary responded "you have to start out knowing what your project is, the planning grant information for the state describes how the project goes forward, and gives its cost, what the engineering has to be done. Sit down with Rob Morrow, this is all he does. I will forward his contact info."

#### 5. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

District General Counsel, Mark Manion, will present the steps and process for District Consolidation on the agenda of the regular Board meeting of April 8, 2021.

#### 6. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 3:03pm

Director Porinne Lee Johnson, President Docusigned by:

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Donald M. Eversoll, Treasurer

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