MINUTES

For the Regular Meeting of the Board on: May 17, 2023

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Governing Board of the Montecito Sanitary District convened a regular meeting at 12:05 pm on Wednesday, May 17, 2023. The meeting was also broadcast using Zoom teleconferencing.

ATTENDANCE

Board Members Present:

Director Hogan, Johnson, Martin, Ohlmann, and President Ellwood Barrett

Board Members Absent:

None

Also Present and Participating:

John Weigold, MSD General Manager Stephen Williams, MSD Clerk of the Board & District Administrator Aleks Giragosian, Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley, PC Ken Coates, Montecito Water District Vice President

Reportable Action: During the President's Report the Directors discussed the option of returning to two meetings per month. ON MOTION by Director Barrett; Seconded by Director Johnson, the Board voted to change the Regular Board Meetings of every month to the 2nd and 4th Thursday at 12:00 p.m.

AYES:

Directors Hogan, Martin, Johnson, Ohlmann, and Barrett

NAYS:

None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT:

None

Reportable Action: During the Agenda Changes/Deletions portion of Agenda Item #1 the following items were moved:

- Item 4C Discussion of Next Steps on MSD/MWD Draft Consolidation Report was moved to before Item 3 - Consent Calendar.
- Item 7 Closed Session was moved to right after Item 3 Consent Calendar
- Item 4A Discussion on Salary Survey was moved to right after the Report From Closed Session

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No members of the public addressed the Board.

3. <u>DISCUSSION OF NEXT STEPS ON MSD/MWD DRAFT CONSOLIDATION</u> REPORT

The Board discussed the options for how to move forward reviewing and ascertaining the need to meet with Raftelis regarding the Joint MSD/MWD Consolidation Feasibility Study. After discussion it was determined that the District Administrator would send the current Raftelis Draft Report as well as the PowerPoint presentation that the Montecito Water District heard at its Special Meeting of May 2, 2023 to all of the Board of Directors for review and come back to the May 26, 2023 Board Meeting to discuss next steps.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

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

- A. Payables from April 1, 2023 through April 30, 2023
- B. Board Meeting Minutes of April 12 and 13, 2023
- C. Board Meeting Minutes of April 28, 2023
- D. District Reserve Policy
- E. Fiscal Year 2022-23 Unaudited Quarterly Financial Reports
- F. Resolution 2023-968 Setting the Date, Time, and Place for the Annual Sewer Service Charge Hearing

AYES:

Directors Hogan, Martin, Johnson, Ohlmann, and Barrett

NAYS:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

ABSENT:

None

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

A. Board Meeting Minutes of April 5, 2023

AYES:

Directors Hogan, Martin, Johnson, Ohlmann, and Barrett

NAYS:

None

ABSTAIN:

Johnson

ABSENT:

None

5. **CLOSED SESSION**

A. PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public addressed the Board prior to going into Closed Session.

B. LABOR NEGOTIATIONS (GOVERNMENT CODE § 54957.6)

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

Name of Employee Organization: Montecito Sanitary District Management Group

REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION 6.

No reportable action was taken in Closed Session.

7. DISCUSSION ON SALARY SURVEY

The Board discussed the scope and parameters to consider for conducting a salary survey for the District.

ON MOTION by Director Hogan, Second by Director Johnson, the Board of Directors directed the General Manager to begin the process of retaining an independent consultant to perform a salary study.

AYES:

Directors Hogan, Johnson, Martin, Ohlmann, and Barrett

NAYS:

None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT:

None

8. EASEMENTS (DISTRICT RIGHT-OF-WAYS)

This item was pushed to the Special Meeting of the Board on May 26, 2023

9. **BOARD POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

This item was pushed to the Special Meeting of the Board on May 26, 2023

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

No General Manager's report was given. The General Manager welcomed questions from the Board if they had any.

12. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

The next Board meeting will be a General Meeting of the Board on May 15, 2023. Topics the Board brought up as potential Agenda Items are as follows:

- Septic-to-Sewer Strategic Plan discussion
- Update on Repair/Solutions for San Ysidro Creek
- Options for Higher Returns on Reserve Funds

13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:01 pm ON MOTION by Director Hogan, Second by Director Johnson.

These minutes were presented for approval at the General Board Meeting on June 22, 2023.

Ellwood T. Barrett II, President

Minutes taken and prepared by:

Stephen Williams

District Administrator/Clerk of the Board