



# Montecito Sanitary District

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## MINUTES

For the Regular Meeting of the Board on:

**March 24, 2022**

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The Governing Board of the Montecito Sanitary District convened a regular meeting at 2:02 pm on Thursday, February 24, 2022 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, Treasurer Don Eversoll, Director Gary Fuller and Director Dana Newquist

##### Board Members Absent:

None

##### Also Present and Participating:

Brad Rahrer, P.E. MSD General Manager  
Stephen Williams, MSD District Administrator  
Alexksan Giragosian, Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley  
Carole Rollins, MSD Laboratory Manager  
Holly Whatley, Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley  
Che Johnson, Liebert, Cassidy, Whitmore

### 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public addressed the Board.

### 3. APPROVAL OF PAYABLES

ON MOTION by Director Newquist, Second by Director Barrett, the Board voted to approve the District payables for checks dated February 1 through February 28, 2022.

Accounts Payable	\$ 158,811.40
Capital Improvement Projects	\$ 256,100.62
Recycled Water Fund	\$ 21,777.25
Payroll	\$ 148,629.98
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 585,319.25</b>

AYES: Directors Barrett, Eversoll, Fuller, Johnson and Newquist  
 NAYS: None  
 ABSTAIN: None  
 ABSENT: None

4. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

It is recommended that the Board receive and file a report provided by the following committee(s):

- i) Director Eversoll and Director Johnson gave a summary of the Finance Committee meeting held on March 16, 2022. The District Administrator presented the District's FY 2022-23 Budget Timeline and briefly detailed some of its goals and important dates.

5. **OLD BUSINESS**

A. **EVALUATION OF SPECIAL DISTRICT CONSOLIDATION – SPECIAL LEGAL COUNSEL**

The General Manager gave a brief staff report on the history of the District's consideration for Special Legal Counsel as it relates to the Evaluation of Special District Consolidation. Holley Whatley of Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley gave the Board a background of her experience and took questions from the Board.

ON MOTION by Director Barrett, Second by Director Newquist, the Board voted to authorize the General Manager to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Liebert, Cassidy, Whitmore to provide special legal services in connection with the evaluation of the feasibility of Special District consolidation.

AYES: Directors Barrett, Eversoll, Fuller, Johnson and Newquist  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

B. **COLLECTIVE BARGAINING PROCESS - SPECIAL LEGAL COUNSEL**

The General Manager gave a brief staff report on the history of the District's consideration for Special Legal Counsel as it relates to the Collective Bargaining Process. Che Johnson of Liebert, Cassidy, Whitmore gave the Board a background on his experience and took questions from the Board.

ON MOTION by Director Newquist, Second by Director Fuller, the Board voted to authorize the General Manager to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Liebert, Cassidy, Whitmore to provide special legal services in connection with the evaluation of the feasibility of Special District consolidation.

AYES: Directors Barrett, Eversoll, Fuller, Johnson and Newquist  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

6. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. **ANNUAL CONTINUING DISCLOSURE REPORT**

The Board received and filed the Annual Continuing Disclosure Report related to the District's Bond requirements.

**B. DISTRICT REOPENING PLAN FOR COVID-19**

The Board received an update on the District's COVID-19 Action Plan as it relates to a return to normal operations beginning April 1, 2022.

**7. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA**

The next Board meeting will be a regularly scheduled board meeting on April 14, 2022 at 2:00 pm; to discuss the following items (but not limited to):

- Enhanced Recycled Water Feasibility Study – Progress Update
- Southern California Reliable Energy Network (SoCalREN) – Funding Opportunities Presentation
- Land Development Policy - Resolution

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

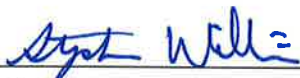
The meeting adjourned at 4:07 p.m. ON MOTION by Director Newquist, seconded by Director Barrett.

These minutes were presented for approval at the Board Meeting on April 14, 2022.



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Dorinne Lee Johnson, Board President

Minutes taken and prepared by:



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Stephen Williams  
District Administrator/Clerk of the Board