

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
OLIVENHAIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

MARCH 30, 2022

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Olivenhain Municipal Water District was held on Wednesday, March 30, 2022 via video conference and in person.

President Watt called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the Assistant Secretary called the roll. Directors present were Bruce-Lane, Guerin, Meyers, Topolovac, and Watt. It was noted that the meeting was published via teleconference in accordance with Assembly Bill 361, which allows local or state legislative bodies to hold meetings via teleconference, make meetings accessible electronically, and waives certain Brown Act provisions.

President Watt declared a quorum present and ordered the meeting to proceed. In attendance were Kimberly Thorner, General Manager; Alfred Smith, General Counsel; Joey Randall, Assistant General Manager; Rainy Selamat, Finance Manager; John Carnegie, Customer Services Manager; Jennifer Joslin, Human Resources Manager; Geoff Fulks, Operations Manager; Stephanie Kaufmann, Executive Secretary; Don MacFarlane, Consulting Engineer; George Briest from G. Briest Consulting, Inc; Jeremy Jungreis from Rutan and Tucker, LLP; Rosalyn Prickett from Woodard & Curran; and Doug Gillingham from Gillingham Water.

5. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Director Guerin moved to adopt the agenda, seconded by Director Meyers and carried unanimously.

6. PERSONAL APPEARANCES AND PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

7. CONSIDER A PRESENTATION ON THE RESULTS OF RECENT INVESTIGATIONS FOR THE SAN DIEGUITO VALLEY BRACKISH GROUNDWATER DESALINATION PROJECT AND PROVIDING STAFF WITH INPUT ON FUTURE STEPS

Assistant General Manager Randall and consultants Rosalyn Prickett and Doug Gillingham presented the report. The following comments were made by the board and will be addressed by staff at a future board meeting.

Director Meyers inquired as to the exact length of both proposed brine lines.

Director Bruce-Lane asked how long the project will take once construction begins. Assistant General Manager Randall offered that this will be a multi-year project with an estimated schedule of approximately two years.

Director Topolovac wanted to know the timeline of the City of Encinitas' El Camino Real Project. Assistant General Manager Randall said he would be following their timeline and would update the board once it is available.

Director Topolovac requested the total amount included in the budget for this project for the next two years.

Director Meyers requested that staff prepare a Future Rate Impact Analysis for the project.

Director Topolovac requested that staff analyze the David C. McCollom Water Treatment Plant operating and maintenance costs from 20 years ago for a comparison.

President Watt requested an update to the maps from Woodard & Curran that better identify landmarks and points of reference.

NOTE: The meeting was in recess
from 6:20 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

8. CONSIDER PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

NOTE: The meeting was in closed session
from 6:30 p.m. to 7:19 p.m.

9. CLOSED SESSION

A) PENDING LITIGATION – ONE POTENTIAL CASE [PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9 (d)(2)]

10. OPEN SESSION

There were no reportable actions from closed session.

11. ADJOURNMENT

President Watt adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

Lawrence A. Watt, President
Board of Directors
Olivenhain Municipal Water District

ATTEST:

Robert F. Topolovac, Secretary
Board of Directors
Olivenhain Municipal Water District