



Municipal Water District

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR
SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING**

May 24, 2023

MEMBER REPRESENTATIVES

ATTENDEES

Chair:

Kimberly A. Thorner, General Manager

Co-Chair(s):

Jennifer Joslin, Human Resources Manager
Tim Schuette, Safety/Risk Compliance Administrator

Board Directors:

Matthew Hahn
Neal Meyers

Bargaining Unit Members Association (BUMA):

Jason Emerick, Water Reclamation Operator Level III

Customer Services Department:

Brandon Barnick, Field Services Supervisor

District Employees Association (DEA):

Teresa Chase, Administrative Analyst

DCM Water Treatment Plant:

Tom Arellano, Water Treatment Facilities Supervisor

Engineering Department:

Steve Weddle, Engineering Services Supervisor

Finance Department:

Rainy Selamat, Finance Manager

Operations Department:

Geoff Fulks, Operations Manager

Park Operations:

Jeff Anderson, Parks Supervisor

Water Reclamation Facility:

John Onkka, Water Reclamation Facilities Supervisor

Safety SUB-Committee:

Gary Briant, Purchasing/Warehouse Clerk
Joe Jansen, Administrative Analyst
Marcela Novy, Accountant I
Phillip Reed, WTP Operator Level II

Additional Employee Attendees:

Joey Randall, Assistant General Manager
Evan DeWindt, Water Treatment Plant Operator Level IV
George Lomeli, Water Treatment Plant Operator Level III
Mark Wilson, Operations Supervisor – Construction
Marvin Cohen, Facilities Coordinator

Recorder:

Shawn Patterson, Records & Contracts Coordinator

Chair Thorner called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. Directors present were Hahn and Meyers.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Director Meyers moved to adopt the agenda, seconded by Director Hahn and approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Thorner, Hahn, Meyers, Joslin, Schuette
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There was no one present for public comment.

5. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 25, 2023 REGULAR SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

Co-chair Joslin moved to approve the minutes of the January 25, 2023 Regular Safety Committee meeting, seconded by Co-chair Schuette and approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Thorner, Hahn, Meyers, Joslin, Schuette
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

6. CONSENT CALENDAR:

C-a. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE JUNE/JULY 2023 TRAINING CALENDAR

Co-chair Schuette moved to approve the Consent Calendar, seconded by Co-chair Joslin and approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Thorner, Hahn, Meyers, Joslin, Schuette
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

7. CONSIDER AN INFORMATIONAL REPORT ON THE "SAFETY HAS NO QUITTING TIME" (SHNQT) PROGRAM

Co-Chair Schuette provided an informational report and reviewed key statistics contained in the Safety packet including OMWD's consecutive days without a preventable lost time injury, OMWD's current safety program numbers for 2023, as well as the latest vehicle damage report.

8. CONSIDER REVIEW OF EMPLOYEE INJURIES, VEHICLE ACCIDENTS AND SAFETY REPORTS (IF NECESSARY)

Co-chair Schuette informed the Committee that there were no injuries or incidents to report.

9. CONSIDER A REPORT ON FEBRUARY - MAY SAFETY/RISK COMPLIANCE ACTIVITIES

Co-Chair Schuette provided an informational report on the February, March, April, and May Safety/Risk compliance activities.

10. CONSIDER SAFETY ACTION ITEMS ASSIGNED / COMPLETED

Co-Chair Schuette reviewed the Safety action items as provided in the packet. There was a lengthy discussion about the potential cost, future commitment, and adequate amount of defensible space brush clearing around the DCMWTP. This item will be brought back at a later date for discussion.

Co-Chair Schuette also presented two Caught Being Safe awards. The first employee was recognized according to the Caught Being Safe program for their commitment to safety by immediately jumping into action and properly handling an oil stain in the parking lot. The second award was for a group of employees that were recognized for their commitment to safety during a reservoir washout.

11. CONSIDER FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Chair Thorner recommended adding an Employee Recognition award agenda item to acknowledge achieving the 365 milestone without a preventable lost time injury.

12. CLOSED SESSION DISCUSSION (If Necessary)

There was no closed session.

13. ADJOURNED

Chair Thorner adjourned the meeting at 3:10 p.m. The next Safety Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 26, 2023 at 2:30 p.m.

Neal Meyers
Board Director
Olivenhain Municipal Water District

ATTEST:

Matthew Hahn
Board Director
Olivenhain Municipal Water District