THE OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF CASTROVILLE COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT October 15, 2019

President Adriana Melgoza called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Directors Present: Vice President James Cochran, Director Glenn Oania, Director Ron Stefani,

Director Cosme Padilla and President Adriana Melgoza

Absent:

General Manager: Eric Tynan

Secretary to the Board: Lidia Santos

Staff Present:

Guest:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Adriana Melgoza led the pledge of allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. None.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. A motion was made by Glenn Oania and seconded by Ron Stefani to approve the minutes of the September 17, 2019 Scheduled Board Meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES:

5 Directors

Directors:

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Directors: Oania, Stefani, Padilla, Cochran and Melgoza

NOES:

ABSENT/NOT

PARTICIPATING:

0 Directors:

Consent Calendar accepted as presented

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Letter from Special District Risk Management Authority (SDRMA) to Castroville CSD regarding no paid Workers' Compensation Claims in 2018-19.

Correspondence Calendar accepted as presented

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

- Environment & Energy Report PFAS Legislative Timelines Not Feasible, EPA's Wheeler Says
 (1)
- 2. Monterey Herald County steps into Salinas Valley, Marina groundwater dispute
- 3. Monterey Herald Pure Water Monterey recycled water project delays continue

Informational items accepted as presented

PRESENTATIONS:

None.

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NEW BUSINESS:

1. Approve one-time incentive bonus of \$250 for Operator Orozco along with a \$1 pay increase per hour for certification obtained from CWEA for Collections System Maintenance I and \$1 pay increase per hour effective Thursday, 10th of October 2019. – General Manager Eric Tynan reported to the Board that per section 8.4 Certification Incentive Bonus and section 8.5 Certification Pay of the Employee Handbook, CCSD shall pay a one-time incentive bonus of \$250 per certificate for employees who obtain authorized certifications and CCSD provides a one-time, \$1 pay increase, per hour; incentive pay, which is subject to general manager recommendations and also subject to Board approval. After some discussion, a motion is made by Glenn Oania and seconded by Ron Stefani to approve a one-time incentive bonus of \$250 for Operator Orozco along with a \$1 pay increase per hour for certification obtained from CWEA for Collections System Maintenance effective Thursday, 10th of October 2019. The motion carried by the following vote.

AYES: 5 Directors: Oania, Stefani, Padilla, Cochran and Melgoza

NOES: 0 Directors:

ABSENT/NOT

PARTICIPATING: 0 Directors:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- 1. Update on status of grants for Moss Landing-Sewer Zone 3, Castroville-Sewer Zone 1 and Castroville- Water Zone 1 for system upgrades and improvements General Manager Eric Tynan let the Board know that the application for Moss Landing sewer system improvements has been submitted and the Department of Water Resources accepted the application and now Castroville CSD is waiting to receive the paperwork to sign up for planning and implementation grants. Once this step is completed, Castroville CSD can then apply for construction grants or a USDA loan which may be forgiven since Moss Landing is considered a disadvantaged community. For Water- Zone 1, Castroville CSD is waiting to hear if the planning and implementation grant (Prop 1A funding) for \$347,000 through the Monterey Integrated Regional Management Plan will be awarded to Castroville CSD as it is considered a severely disadvantaged community. Current funding efforts: Moss Landing sewer system improvements, Castroville emergency well replacement, Castroville water supply improvements and Castroville wastewater improvements.
- Status of Well #3 and update on renovation of Well #3 by Maggiora Bros Drilling, Inc. General Manager Eric Tynan informed the Board that Well #3 pump repair/deepening has been completed. The pump has been installed and is working, which consisted of disassembling, inspecting, cleaning and reassembling the tube and shafts. The chloride secondary standards maximum allowed by the State Water Resources Control Board is 500 part per million (ppm) and Castroville CSD was at 417 ppm. With the completion of this project, chloride levels have dropped to 400 ppm. However, the bottom perforations on the well have never been drawn on and are coming back very sandy with a lot of fines, therefore the water samples are testing positive for coliform bacteria. Well #3 has been dosed with chlorine several times and dosing alone has not been effective. Well #3 is disconnected from the system (not in service/off line). At this time the District will be focusing on developing the well (pumping the well hard to eliminate the fines) and then continue to dose it with chlorine to disinfect it properly until the fines clear up. The good news is that the drop-pipe worked and once Well #3 can pass the coliform bacteria detection, the well can be put back online and keep on going until the seawater hits the bottom perforation.
- 3. Update on Moss Landing Manhole Replacement Project out to bid General Manager Eric

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Tynan reminded the Board that Monterey Peninsula Engineering was the lowest bidder at \$108,000 and therefore awarded the Moss Landing Manhole Replacement Project. Castroville CSD received the executed contract along with the bonds and certificates of insurance today from the contractor and issued them a "Letter to Proceed". The start date for this project will be October 21, 2019 and end date December 10, 2019. The contractor has 51 working days to complete the project. Per Director James Cochran the Underground project is still going on in Moss Landing and may interfere with this project. In addition, a worker with the Underground project was injured on the job, which involved OSHA. Director Adriana Melgoza requested that General Manager Eric Tynan follow up with the contractor and make sure that the residents affected by this project are well informed in advance for the safety of the workers and residents.

- 4. Update on Cal Am's Monterey Peninsula Water Supply Project (MPWSP) General Manager Eric Tynan reported to the Board that Cal Am is still arguing with Marina regarding its GSA area at the CEMIX site that is the proposed site for Monterey Peninsula Water Supply project (MPWSP). The appeal before the Coastal Commission regarding the MPWSP will be heard November 14, 2019 in Half Moon Bay, which he plans to attend and invited the Board to attend the appeal as well.
- 5. Progress report on Design for Reservoir No. 4 Fill Modification Project General Manager Eric Tynan informed the Board that the documents for this project have been executed. Other than the documents being signed, there is no further information to report at this time.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION: When needed, this time is reserved for the Board of Directors to communicate activity, educational classes, and/or Committee reports.

- 1. Update on Monterey One Water board meeting Director Ron Stefani announced that he and Office Manger Lidia Santos had attended the ribbon cutting and celebration for the unveiling of Monterey County's new water resource and the first full-scale potable reuse project in Northern California on Friday, October 4, 2019. There were many protesters from Marina at the entrance who are all in favor of the project but more so in stopping the Monterey Peninsula Water Supply Project. The Monterey One Water Project is getting delayed but the day before the big event a tour was provided to Congressman Jimmy Panetta and they did produce water on this day and are pretty confident they will meet the 14th of November date to officially produce water.
- 2. Update on the Salinas Valley Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (SVBGSA) Director Ron Stefani reiterated as mentioned at last month board meeting, Marina formed its own GSA on the 400 acres that is the site for the proposed Monterey Peninsula Water Supply Project (MPWSP). This has created an overlap, which has resulted in a conflict with the Salinas Valley Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency. If Marina gets control they will not allow pumping. However, Monterey County submitted a letter to the Department of Waterworks that states if anything is unmanaged throughout the county, they will be the GSA. This letter by Monterey County was submitted in 2017; way ahead of Marina's letter. Monterey County would just go back and say per our letter we will take all unmanaged areas, which would include the 400 acres that is the site for the proposed MPWSP. The SVBGSA approved the action (8-3) that Monterey County would take over if necessary at their most recent meeting. The Monterey Board of Supervisor will need to approve this and it is anticipated Marina will sue. As mentioned before, the SVBGSA plan needs to be all out in draft form by November 2019 and accepted by the State in January 2020.
- 3. Update on meetings or educational classes attended by the Directors Director Cosme Padilla reported to the Board that he had a meeting with Supervisor John Philips regarding a

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noise ordinance and the street in Castroville. He was recently informed that Eric had met with Josh and had made recommendation on what streets are in need of repairs. General Manager Eric Tynan stated that he had driven around with Josh and marked up a map with the streets that need repairs. Director Cosme Padilla stated with Board permission he would like to be included in the meetings with Public Works in regards to street repairs for Castroville. He wants to make sure that Public Works follows up with street repairs not neglected. President Adriana Melgoza also would like to be advocate and included in these meetings to make sure that the streets where our poorest community members reside are also fixed and not neglected too. Per General Manager Eric Tynan, Castroville CSD does have street powers but only in effect in the Rancho Moro Cojo subdivision. As discussed in the past, the funding collected by Monterey County Public Works for street maintenance for the township of Castroville has a definite shortfall and it would be no different for Castroville CSD if it assumed this responsibility. Director Cosme Padilla stated at this time he would just like this Board to put the pressure on Monterey County Public works to make sure the streets are repaired in Castroville.

GENERAL OPERATIONS

- General Manager's Report Compliance update, current projects update, meetings/seminars update, staff update, suggestive projects discussions
- 2. Operation's Report
 - a) Water Pumpage & Usage Update, Water Testing Update, Current Installation
 - b) Water -Status Update, Current Contractor Work Update, Maintenance/Repair Update, Customer Service Update, Safety Issue
 - c) Sewer & Storm Drain Jetting, Current Installation Status Update, Current Contractor Work Update,

Maintenance/Repair Update, Customer Service Update, Safety Issues

- 3. <u>Customer /Billing Reports</u> Water Sales, Water Usage, A/R Update, Customer Service Update
- 4. Financial Reports Treasures L.A.I.F. Report, Internal Report, Administration Update

General Operations Reports were accepted as presented

CHECK LIST – September 2019. A motion was made by Cosme Padilla and seconded by Ron Stefani to pay all bills presented .The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: 5 Directors: Oania, Stefani, Padilla, Cochran and Melgoza

NOES: 0 Directors:

ABSENT/NOT

PARTICIPATING: 0 Directors:

There being no further business, a motion was made by James Cochran and seconded by Ron Stefani to adjourn to the next scheduled Board meeting; the motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: 5 Directors: Oania, Stefani, Padilla, Cochran and Melgoza

NOES: 0 Directors:

ABSENT/NOT

PARTICIPATING: 0 Directors:

The meeting adjourned at 5:38 p.m. until the next scheduled meeting

Respectfully submitted by.

Lidia Santos

Secretary to the Board

Approved by,

Adriana Melgoza President