

THE OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF
CASTROVILLE COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
June 20, 2023

President Cosme Padilla called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Directors Present: President Cosme Padilla, Vice President Ron Stefani, Director James Cochran and Director Greg MacMillan

Absent: Director Glenn Oania

General Manager: Eric Tynan

Secretary to the Board: Lidia Santos

Staff Present:

Guest: Mike McCullough, M1W Director of External Affairs, Bob Shull, Public Trust Advisor and Christine Kemp, District Attorney

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was led by President Cosme Padilla.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. None

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. A motion was made by Ron Stefani and seconded by James Cochran to approve the minutes of the May 9, 2023 Budget & Personnel Committee Meeting. The motion carried by the following roll call votes:

AYES: 4 Directors: MacMillan, Stefani, Cochran, and Padilla
NOES: 0 Directors:
ABSENT/NOT

PARTICIPATING: 1 Directors: Oania

2. A motion was made by Ron Stefani and seconded by James Cochran to approve the minutes of the May 16, 2023 Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting. The motion carried by the following roll call votes:

AYES: 4 Directors: MacMillan, Stefani, Cochran, and Padilla
NOES: 0 Directors:
ABSENT/NOT

PARTICIPATING: 1 Directors: Oania

Consent Calendar accepted as presented

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. None

Correspondence Calendar accepted as presented

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

1. 2022 Annual Water Quality Report available and posted at the following URL:
www.CastrovilleCSD.org/files/138715971.pdf

Informational items accepted as presented

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PRESENTATIONS: Board President Cosme Padilla skipped down to item 2 so Mr. Shull with Public Trust could present first and then returned to the order of business on the agenda.

1. Monterey One Water proposed sewer billing change; community presentation and feedback – Vice President Ron Stefani who also sits on the Monterey One Water Board (M1W), introduces Mike McCullough, Director of External Affairs. He is here today to discuss the proposed billing process of having the annual fee itemized on the property tax bill by the Monterey County (Tax-Treasurer Division) instead of the current direct mailing of bi-monthly customer bills for wastewater service by 2024/2025 as it would be more cost effective for its customers and M1W. The proposed sewer billing change and community presentation and feedback information can be viewed on pages 16-23 of this board packet.
2. California CLASS on investment opportunities for Castroville CSD – Bob Shull with Public Trust Advisors informed the Board that California Cooperative Liquid Assets Securities System (CLASS) is a joint power authority investment pool, which offers public agencies a convenient method for investing in highly liquid, investment-grade securities carefully selected to optimize interest earnings while maximizing safety and liquidity. California CLASS is overseen and governed by a Board of Trustees. California CLASS is a client-first and user-friendly cash management solutions designed for California Public Agencies of all sizes. California CLASS provides participants the following benefits: Convenient, modern transaction portal, dedicated client service team equally committed to all California public agencies, portfolios managed in accordance with California Government Code, transparent governance by Board of Trustees and portfolios marked-to-market with net asset value and yields posted to website daily. Furthermore, when you invest in California CLASS Prime fund, you have access to your funds on any business day. California CLASS strives to provide competitive returns while adhering to the objectives of safety and liquidity, current yield 5.2%. They are similar to CAMP, which Castroville CSD also invests with. Public agencies may become participants simply by filling out the Participant Registration Form. Mr. Shull thanked the Board for their time. This item just informational at this time and the Board may take action at next month's board meeting if they wish to invest with California CLASS.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Approve "Castroville CSD Investment and Deposit Policy" for fiscal year 2022/2023 and 2023/2024 – The policies can be viewed on pages 24-33 of this board packet. A motion is made by Ron Stefani and seconded by Greg MacMillan to approve the "Castroville CSD Investment and Deposit Policy" for fiscal year 2022/2023 and 2023/2024. The motion carried by the following roll call votes:

AYES: 4 Directors: MacMillan, Stefani, Cochran, and Padilla
NOES: 0 Directors:
ABSENT/NOT

PARTICIPATING: 1 Directors: Oania

2. Consider approving audit proposal with Fechter & Company Certified Public Accountants for three years of audit services: 2024, 2025 & 2026 – General Manager Eric Tynan recommended the Board approve the proposal for audit services with Fechter & Company Certified Public Accountants for fiscal years 2024, 2025 and 2026 as they have shown to have experience and talent to provide the District competent, professional and most importantly, defensible financial oversight. The memo and proposal he addressed to the Board can be viewed on pages 34-36 of this board packet. A motion is made by Greg MacMillan and seconded by James Cochran to approve the proposal with Fechter & Company Certified Public Accountants for three years of audit services: 2024, 2025 & 2026. The motion carried by the following roll call votes:

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3. Consider approving MNS Engineers proposals for Professional Engineering Services - Washington Sewer Trunk Line Bypass Regulatory Permitting Support (\$19,622) and Washington Sewer Trunk Line Bypass Right-of-Way Acquisition (\$81,610) total \$101,232 – After a serious discussion with MNS regarding confusion and performance issues, General Manager Eric Tynan recommended the Board consider approving both of these proposals. A memo and the proposal addressing the Board can be viewed on pages 37-56 of this board packet. In addition, he has received notice award for \$3.5 million of grant funding. After some discussion a motion is made by Ron Stefani and seconded by Greg MacMillan to approve MNS Engineers proposals for Professional Engineering Services - Washington Sewer Trunk Line Bypass Regulatory Permitting Support (\$19,622) and Washington Sewer Trunk Line Bypass Right-of-Way Acquisition (\$81,610) total \$101,232. The motion carried by the following roll call votes:

AYES: 4 Directors: MacMillan, Stefani, Cochran, and Padilla
NOES: 0 Directors:
ABSENT/NOT

PARTICIPATING: 1 Directors: Oania

4. Consider approving MNS Engineers proposal for Professional Engineering Services-Moss Landing Wastewater System Rehabilitation Project Amendment Request No. 2 (\$59,014) – General Manager Eric Tynan recommended the Board consider approving Amendment Request No. 2 for this project. Amendment Request No. 2 covers the completion of revisions to the technical studies and administrative draft Initial Study-Mitigated Negative Declaration as well as the increased cost of the cultural resources records search and out-of-scope work related the presence of two known cultural resources within the Area of Potential Effect. A memo an the proposal addressing the Board can be viewed on pages 57-64. Amendment No. 1 was previously approved by General Manager Eric Tynan for \$14,520 for arborist survey and report. After some discussion, a motion is made by James Cochran and seconded by Ron Stefani to approve MNS Engineers proposal for Professional Engineering Services-Moss Landing Wastewater System Rehabilitation Project Amendment Request No. 2 (\$59,014). The motion carried by the following roll call votes:

AYES: 4 Directors: MacMillan, Stefani, Cochran, and Padilla
NOES: 0 Directors:
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PARTICIPATING: 1 Directors: Oania

5. Consider approving Pedestrian Overpass Maintenance “Landscape” Agreement with Department of Transportation Referred to as “State”, placed within State Highway right of way on State Route 156 as per Exhibit A – General Manager Eric Tynan informed the Board that he had District Legal Counsel Review the agreement as he had made changes to the agreement. A memo and the agreement addressing the Board to consider approving the agreement as written can be viewed on pages 65-70 of this board packet. Under Landscaping he wanted to make sure it was clear Castroville CSD would only be providing services for mural maintenance, graffiti removal and existing lighting maintenance. It is anticipated that North County Park & Recreation District will take on most of the “Landscaping and Parklet Maintenance.” District Legal Counsel Christine Kemp reiterated what General Manager Eric Tynan stated, that in this agreement under Landscaping, Castroville CSD would only be providing services for mural maintenance, graffiti removal and existing lighting maintenance. A motion is made by Ron Stefani and seconded by Greg MacMillan to approve the Pedestrian Overpass Maintenance

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“Landscape” Agreement with Department of Transportation Referred to as “State”, placed within State Highway right of way on State Route 156 as per Exhibit A, Castroville CSD would only be providing services for mural maintenance, graffiti removal and existing lighting maintenance. The motion carried by the following roll call votes:

AYES: 4 Directors: MacMillan, Stefani, Cochran, and Padilla
NOES: 0 Directors:
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6. State Water Resources Control Board, Order WQ 2022-0103-DWQ, Statewide Waste Discharge Requirements, General Order for Sanitary Sewer Systems – General Manager Eric Tynan reported to the Board that he has submitted and completed the Sewer System Management Plan certification as required by the State Water Resources Control Board. However, he also had to submit an application for recertification for the discharge permit. He completed the application and had contacted State Water Resources Control Board as he needed additional information from them regarding whether an invoice fee needed to be paid. A response was not received until after the deadline had passed for the submission of this application, which is also required. He will follow-up with the State Water Resources Control Board to finalize the application. District Legal Counsel Christine Kemp stated she could assist if needed. Further information on the Sewer System Management Plan certification and statewide waste discharge requirements can be viewed on pages 71-78 of this board packet.
7. Consider approving the Castroville CSD’s Water Shortage Contingency Plan – General Manager Eric Tynan informed the Board that in 2018 the State passed requirements that water system must meet to deal with water shortage brought on by the extended drought. Memo and Water Contingency Plan mandated by SCWRCB addressed to the Board can be viewed on pages 79-93 of this board packet. After some discussion, Vice President Ron Stefani would like to see Section 1.0 INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND reworded for further clarification and presented at next month’s regularly scheduled board meeting. A motion is made by Ron Stefani and seconded by Greg MacMillan to table this item for the July 18, 2023 regularly scheduled board meeting. The motion carried by the following roll call votes:

AYES: 4 Directors: MacMillan, Stefani, Cochran, and Padilla
NOES: 0 Directors:
ABSENT/NOT

PARTICIPATING: 1 Directors: Oania

8. Approve attendance of Castroville CSD Board of Directors and General Manager to the CSDA Annual Conference & Exhibitor Showcase, Monterey, August 28-31 – After some discussion, Vice President Ron Stefani would like to attend the conference and possibly President Cosme Padilla. General Manager Eric Tynan is also interested in attending. A motion is made by Ron Stefani and seconded by Greg MacMillan to approve the attendance of Castroville CSD Board of Directors and General Manager to the CSDA Annual Conference & Exhibitor Showcase, Monterey, August 28-31, 2023. The motion carried by the following roll call votes:

AYES: 4 Directors: MacMillan, Stefani, Cochran, and Padilla
NOES: 0 Directors:
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9. The Board will take action to designate Eric Tynan, General Manager as labor negotiator for all employees for the District for purpose of (Gov. Code Sec. 54957.6) – After some discussion, a motion is made by James Cochran and seconded by Ron Stefani to designate Eric Tynan, General Manager as labor negotiator for all employees for the District for purpose of (Gov. Code Sec. 54957.6). The motion carried by the following roll call votes:

AYES: 4 Directors: MacMillan, Stefani, Cochran, and Padilla
NOES: 0 Directors:
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UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Update on Well levels – General Manager Eric Tynan reported to the Board that the well levels report can be viewed on page 124 of this board packet. Well levels have rebound up but also took a little dip. Hopefully, they did not drop again as low as they did a few years back. As mentioned prior, even though we have had all this rain and the well levels have gone up during winter time, they are nowhere near where they were a few years ago. He will continue working on considering alternate well sites, the desalter and the pipeline. The District continues to monitor the chloride levels of all the wells. Well #3 is not pumping and the motor is not hooked up. The static level is dropping for Well #3. A desalter is being considered for Well #3.
2. Update on Asset Management and Maintenance Projects (Castroville Water Valves Replacement Project - General Manager Eric Tynan informed the Board that Monterey Peninsula Engineering (MPE) has put in two valves. However, Site #4 will be a little tricky because there are two wells at Site #2 and 1 well at Site #4. Two valves need to be replaced there and it would have been done sooner preferably in the winter when there is the lowest water demand but MPE was busy working in Pajaro due to the massive flooding that occurred in this community. Castroville CSD was not able to obtain the valves from A & S Metals for this project, which would of lowered the cost. Operators Varela & Orozco both did a great job assisting MPE as he was out at a conference and Lead Operator Galvez was on vacation. The project should be completed by next week. As a reminder, Monterey Peninsula Engineering (MPE) was awarded the project, not to exceed \$121,000 for the Castroville Water Valves Replacement Project.
3. Update on the State of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) projects: (1) Caltrans Merritt Street Beautification Project, (2) Pedestrian Bridge Enhancement/Improvement Project, (3) Castroville Boulevard Roundabout Project– General Manager Eric Tynan reported that for project (1) Caltrans emailed maintenance agreements for projects 1 and 2 that they want signed by Castroville CSD. He is still reviewing agreement 1 and making some revisions as the maintenance of landscaping is included and should be omitted. This agreement should only say what Castroville CSD will be doing, which is provide maintenance of lighting and graffiti abatement for Project 1. For Project (2), NCRPD will be taking care of landscaping and this should be in their agreement with Caltrans that they received and need to sign. At this board meeting, the Board approved the Pedestrian Overpass Maintenance “Landscape” Agreement for the (2) Pedestrian Bridge Enhancement/Improvement Project. As mentioned at a previous board meeting, a Cooperative Agreement was signed and Caltrans will raise the valves and manholes at their cost. Caltrans will also be upgrading the lighting to a historical look. There might also be some hydrants moved at their cost, which is great for the District. Project (2) Caltrans also wants a maintenance agreement signed for this project. Castroville CSD will take care of the solar lighting on the pedestrian bridge, mural maintenance and graffiti abatement. For this project, Caltrans is planning to put a little parklet on either side of the pedestrian overpass. NCRPD will be taking the responsibility for the landscaping and the parklet, which is the agreement they will sign with Caltrans. For project (3) General Manager Eric Tynan stated as mentioned previously, Caltrans will cover the work for the Castroville Boulevard Roundabout Project 100% and CCSD 0% because of California S & HC 703. This project will start in 2028.

4. 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 – **Moss Landing Wastewater System Rehabilitation Project (Gantt Chart can be viewed on page 125 of this board packet)**: Per General Manager Eric Tynan in order to finalize the purchase of the land, to relocate the lift station, it is advised to go through LAFCO for approval of an out-of-agency service extension and minor sphere of influence amendment. A map will now be required showing the annexation and once this is submitted the District can move forward with purchasing this property. Originally, LAFCO was only asking for a letter from the Health Department stating why it was a health safety but per LAFCO the letter was not justified. Ortega (FINEPRO, LLC (seller) approved the sale for the easement for \$10,000 in Moss Landing and the District is still working on finalizing the sale of the easement pending LAFCO approval, which is required before acquiring the property. Also discussed prior, General Manager Eric Tynan reported to the Board that the pipeline under the bridge is still under the mitigated negative declaration and without the bike bridge being built by the County, Castroville CSD will have to do it on their own and build under the existing structure, which is right over the Elkhorn Slough, Marine Sanctuary and Harbor. For this project, MNS is to prepare a construction application following the 60% completion. In addition, the Coastal Commission is requiring an arborist to analyze the trees. The Board had approved a proposal with MNS Engineers to provide professional engineering services for the Moss Landing Wastewater System Rehabilitation Project \$462,722 in 2021. General Manager Eric Tynan had previously approved an Amendment No.1 for this project for an additional \$14,520 for the arborist and at this meeting, June 20, 2023 the Board approved Amendment No. 2 for \$59,104 as costs have increased due to plans specifications changing due to the County not building the bridge noted above.

The Washington Bypass Sewer Project (Gantt Chart can be viewed on page 126 of this board packet): Per General Manager Eric Tynan let the Board know that the ditch affecting this project will not be considered a adjudicated body of water by Fish and Game, therefore this reduces the cost of this project. As mentioned prior, CEQA is complete and 60% detailed design of this project is also complete. The Coastal Development Permit application is in progress and is pending the land owner authorization. Castroville CSD still needs easement agreements and/or signed authorization from overlying landowners. Project permitting for jurisdictional permitting, Caltrans encroachment permit and County encroachment permit contracts are still pending. As previously mentioned, Castroville CSD applied for the \$3.5 million grant for this project and the State is saying Castroville CSD is good to go for this grant once the environmental review is completed. Castroville CSD approved the environmental proposal from MNS Engineers for this project, which is complete. MNS to submit the funding application for the next phase, spring 2023. The District has applied for a grant for finishing the design and construction, California Housing Community Development, Infill Infrastructure Grant. In addition, State Water Resources Control Board, SRF set aside for small disadvantaged communities, "The Small Community Clean Water Waste Water Funding Program. The proposal for Professional Engineering and Constructions Management Services-Washington Sewer Trunk Line Bypass Final Design and Construction (not to exceed \$498,141) is contingent on award of grant to Castroville CSD. The Board approved at this meeting, June 20, 2023 MNS Engineers proposals for Professional Engineering Services-Washington Sewer Trunk Line Bypass Regulatory Permitting Support (\$19,622) and Washington Sewer Trunk Line Bypass Right-of-Way Acquisition (\$81,610) total \$101,232.

Emergency Deep Aquifer Supply and Storage Tank (Gantt Chart can be viewed on page 127 & Update on page 128 of this board packet): Per General Manager Eric Tynan the hydrogeologic approach was discussed with Mike Burke the hydrologist with Pueblo who will advance the well contract documents to nearly bid ready, to be finalized and advertised upon securing project construction funding. In addition, MNS has substantial budget remaining in the budget (\$60k), which MNS will review if these remaining funds can be used for applying for construction funding for the project. As mentioned prior, the 30% design has been completed as of May 2022. The 60% design has been completed on the application for the construction. The District is still working on getting grant funds for the construction of the deep well and CEQA is complete. MNS to prepare a Future Grant Application if SCDR is a "no go". MNS also submitted a grant application on behalf of Castroville CSD for the SCDR grant. However, this grant is first come first serve and there are 55 applicants ahead of CCSD. Still, partial funding is a possibility.

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Desalter at Well Three (Update on page 128 of this board packet) : Per General Manager Eric Tynan, he had met with the owner of MNS Engineers and MNS acknowledges the initial grant was not completed satisfactorily, and is in the process of preparing an additional grant application at no charge to the District. As mentioned prior General Manager Eric Tynan is recommending to investigate the condition of well casing and perforations to evaluate use as brackish water supply for RO treatment and consider an appropriate response. There are alternatives to consider to mitigate the seawater intrusion of Well #3 by having the well investigated using a video.

The Overhead Sign at Highway 183 (Update on Project can be viewed on page 128 of this board packet): Per General Manager Eric Tynan Castroville CSD is waiting on Caltrans final approval for engineering specs and encroachment permits. The project was supposed to be done by June 30, 2023 but Caltrans could not come to an agreement as to where the poles should be located but have finally come to a consensus. The funds have been sequestered for this project by Caltrans and reimbursement can still be expected. Jeremy with Signs by Van informed him it would also take about two months for the fabrication to get done. General Manager Eric Tynan also suggested putting the current Castroville overhead sign on the pedestrian overpass on Highway 156 if it is permitted once it is replaced with the new overhead sign. Per President Cosme Padilla it appears this project will not be completed until August or September of 2023. As mentioned previously, the Board approved the Cooperative Agreement and Maintenance Agreement with Caltrans for the Overhead Sign in October 2022. The State has also requested a traffic control plan and a storm water control plan which was prepared by MNS Engineers and sent to the state. MNS will be handling the administration for this project. Resolution No.2022-14, Engaging Signs By Van for the Design, Fabrication, and Installation of the Castroville Landmark Sign was approved. MNS to continue working with Signs By Van and draft a Project Management Professional (PMP), contract, encroachment permit. Castroville CSD received a check from Caltrans in the amount of \$127,955.28 February 2, 2023. The original placement of the post, will remain in the same spot as long as Castroville CSD Engineers say it is safe. Previously, Caltrans was telling Signs By Van where to put them and the locations that they want has a lot of underground utilities.

Current grants awarded are the Clean Water Small Communities Planning Grant (\$500,000) with State Waterboards for administration, preliminary engineering report, plans and specs for sewer in Moss Landing, project assigned to MNS Engineers. The IRWM Implementation Grant (\$395,000) is with DWR for the Deep Well (Well #6) and the use will be specified in the DWR/MCRWA agreement. The DAC Involvement Programs amount \$61,807 with DWR is for the design of the Washington Sewer Bypass for Castroville sewer is also assigned to MNS Engineers. Current funding efforts: Moss Landing sewer system improvements, Castroville emergency well replacement, Castroville water supply improvements and Castroville wastewater improvements.

5. Resolution No. 23-04 Adopting the District Budget for FY 2023/2024 for Water (Castroville Zone 1), Sewer and Governmental (Castroville Zone 1), Sewer and Governmental (Moro Cojo, NMCHS, Monte Del Lago Mobile Park Zone 2) and Sewer (Moss Landing Zone 3) and CIP – **motion item**
- Recommendation of the Budget & Personnel Committee (Directors: Stefani and MacMillan) to consider along with the annual income and operating budget for fiscal year 2023/2024:
 - Extended recreational services with North County Recreation & Park District,
 - Operation Department move up to the next Wage Step Program (varies from (3%-3.3%) percent salary increases. Effective July 13, 2023.
 - Administration Department move up to the next Wage Step Program 3% percent salary increase. Effective July 13, 2023.
 - Capital Improvement Projects

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The Board reviewed and discussed the final budget presented for FY 2023/2024 for Water (Castroville Zone 1), Sewer and Governmental (Castroville Zone 1), Sewer and Governmental (Moro Cojo, NMCHS, Monte Del Lago Mobile Park Zone 2) and Sewer (Moss Landing Zone 3) and capital improvement projects for the fiscal year. Resolution No. 23-04, the District Budgets for FY 2023/2024 and supporting documentation can be viewed on pages 95-123 of the board packet. \$110,000 will be allocated for extended recreational services. (\$95,000 is being carried forward from fiscal year 2022/2023 due to the delay of projects caused by the Covid-19 pandemic), and employees hourly/salary increases as noted above for the Operations Department and Administration Department effective July 13, 2023. After some discussion, a motion is made by Ron Stefani and seconded by Greg MacMillan to approve Resolution No. 23-04 Adopting the District Budget for FY 2023/2024 for Water (Castroville Zone 1); Sewer and Governmental (Castroville Zone 1); Sewer and Governmental (Moro Cojo, NMCHS, Monte Del Lago Mobile Park Zone 2) and Sewer (Moss Landing Zone 3); Capital Improvement Projects and Extended recreational services with North County Recreation & Park District, \$110,000 (of which \$95,000 carried forward from 2022/2023), Operation Department move up to the next Wage Step Program (varies from (3%-3.3%) percent salary increases depending on what step employee (operator) is currently on; effective July 13, 2023. Administration Department move up to the next Wage Step Program 3% percent salary increase; effective July 13, 2023. The motion carried by the following roll call votes:

AYES: 4 Directors: MacMillan, Stefani, Cochran, and Padilla
NOES: 0 Directors:
ABSENT/NOT

PARTICIPATING: 1 Directors: Oania

Closed Session: Board President Cosme Padilla announced the Board was going into closed session The Board entered closed session at 6:20 p.m.

1. Conference with Real Property Negotiations (Govt. Code Sec. 54956.8)
Property: located at intersection of Castroville Blvd., Castroville bike path and Highway 156
Agency Negotiations: Negotiator Eric Tynan, General Manager CCSD
Negotiating Parties: CCSD and Property owner Mitchell, Wylie W. et al., agent Greg Findley
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms
2. Pursuant to Government Code Section. 54957, Public Employee Performance Evaluation, Title: General Manager

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEM: (if applicable):

The board will reconvene into open session prior to adjournment and shall announce any action taken during the closed session. **The Board reconvened into open session at 6.33 p.m. There was no action taken on item 1 or 2.**

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 (M1W) board meeting – Director Ron Stefani stated that MIW moving full speed with the Expansion project. They have secured federal grants and the bids will be opened next week, therefore in July they should be selecting a contractor.
2. Update on Salinas Valley Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (SVBGSA) meeting – Director Ron Stefani stated that the SVBGSA meeting is not until next week, 29th of June. At this meeting they should be approving their budgets. The big controversy is the tier fees. It got complicated but it appears everyone is on the same page, and believes this includes growers. They will be voting to approve it.

3. Update on meetings or educational classes attended by the Directors – President Cosme Padilla announced that he, along with General Manager Eric Tynan attended the LULAC Meeting as did Supervisor Glenn Church. At this meeting a lot of questions and concerns came up about Caltrans projects. General Manager Eric Tynan stated that the Castroville Boulevard Roundabout Project is the only project that may lose funding due to PG & E not cooperating in a timely manner for this project. The Pedestrian Overpass Project on Highway 156 would not be affected. Per Vice President Ron Stefani the state funding deadline for this project comes up at the end of this month. In addition, the California Transportation Commission has to have a meeting to approve the extension of these funds. The fear is it may not be approved due to California's budget deficit.

GENERAL OPERATIONS

1. 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. Customer /Billing Reports – 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 – May 2023. A motion was made by Ron Stefani and seconded by James Cochran to pay all bills presented. The motion carried by the following roll call votes:

AYES: 4 Directors: MacMillan, Stefani, Cochran, and Padilla
NOES: 0 Directors:
ABSENT/NOT

PARTICIPATING: 1 Directors: Oania

There being no further business, a motion was made by Greg MacMillan and seconded by Ron Stefani to adjourn to the next scheduled Board meeting; the motion carried by the following roll call votes:

AYES: 4 Directors: MacMillan, Stefani, Cochran, and Padilla
NOES: 0 Directors:
ABSENT/NOT

PARTICIPATING: 1 Directors: Oania

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m. until the next scheduled meeting

Respectfully submitted by,



Lidia Santos
Secretary to the Board

Approved by,



Ron Stefani
Vice President