MINUTES

Thursday, July 18, 2024 Mammoth Community Water District Regular Board Meeting

The Board of Directors convened in session at the hour of 5:31 p.m. No recess was taken, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

Prepared by:

Leanna R. Block Administrative Analyst

ATTEST:

Mark Busby Board Secretary **THE REGULAR MEETING** of the Board of Directors of the Mammoth Community Water District was held on Thursday, July 18, 2024 at 5:31 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Board Present

Director: Tom Cage

Director: Dennis Domaille

Director: Elizabeth Hylton (Attended remotely from Brainerd, MN via Brown Act Rules)

Director: Tom Smith Director: Gary Thompson

Board Absent

None

Staff Present

General Manager: Mark Busby District Engineer: Garrett Higerd Finance Manager: Jeff Beatty

Operations Superintendent: Clay Murray
Maintenance Superintendent: Rob Motley
Information Services Manager: Justin Mulbay
Human Resources Manager: Chris Weibert
Principal Administrative Analyst: Michael Draper

Administrative Analyst: Leanna Block

Legal Counsel: Josh Horowitz (remote attendance)

Guests Present

Emily Janoff – Mono County Health and Human Services Kathy Peterson – Mono County Health and Human Services Director

PUBLIC FORUM

President Smith opened the public forum at 5:31 p.m.

No one addressed the Board and President Smith closed the public forum at 5:32 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA A

- A-1 Approve the May and June 2024 Check Disbursements
- A-2 Approve the Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting held May 16, 2024
- A-3 Approve the Minutes from the Special Board Meeting held May 29, 2024
- A-4 Approve MOU with Mono County for Extended WW Sampling
- A-5 Approve USGS Lease Agreement Extension

President Smith called for a motion.

Following the vote, Director Cage asked Mono County staff in attendance about the wastewater sampling program. Emily Janoff said that sampling data was available on the Mono County website. The extension to the MOU allows the sampling program to continue.

BOARD ACTION - To approve Consent Agenda A

MOVED BY:

Director Domaille

SECONDED BY:

Director Thompson

AYES:

Directors Cage, Domaille, Hylton, Smith, and Thompson

NAYS:

None

CONSENT AGENDA B – DEPARTMENT REPORTS

B-1 Operations Department Report

B-5 Information Services Report

B-2 Maintenance Department Report

B-6 Personnel Services Report

B-3 Finance Department Report

B-7 Regulatory Support Services Report

B-4 Engineering Department Report

B-8 General Manager's Report

President Smith expressed appreciation for the detailed reports each month and keeping the Board informed on District business. Director Domaille made a motion.

BOARD ACTION - To approve Consent Agenda B

MOVED BY:

Director Domaille

SECONDED BY:

Director Cage

AYES:

Directors Cage, Domaille, Hylton, Smith, and Thompson

NAYS:

None

CURRENT BUSINESS

C-1 Discuss and Consider Adopting Resolution No. 07-18-24-17 Calling for the 2024 District Election and Consolidating it with the Mono County General Election

Mark Busby commented that this Resolution is a regular step for the election process.

Attorney Horowitz clarified that this is the first time that Mono County has requested this Resolution, and that it is a formal way to meet California Election Code.

BOARD ACTION – To adopt Resolution No. 07-18-24-17 calling for the 2024 District Election and Consolidating it with the Mono County General Election

MOVED BY:

Director Cage

SECONDED BY:

Director Domaille

AYES:

Directors Cage, Domaille, Hylton, Smith, and Thompson

NAYS:

None

C-2 Quarterly Water Supply Update

Clay Murray reported that Lake Mary remains full. Summer storms have added to the steam flows enabling the District to use surface water as the main water source, including periods of peak irrigation demand. This reduced reliance on groundwater has continued to allow aquifer recharge.

Mr. Murray recommended remaining at Water Conservation Level 0 until the next quarterly update.

There was a brief discussion with the Board.

BOARD ACTION - None, informational only.

C-3 Presentation of the MCWD 2023 Annual Report on Key Projects, Programs, and System Improvements

Michael Draper presented the District's Annual Report on Key Projects, Programs, and System Improvements to the Board. He briefly discussed the highlights from the past fiscal year.

Mr. Draper said the report will be found on the District's website and through social media outlets.

Board members extended their compliments to Mr. Draper for a great report and providing staff with a place to showcase the many accomplishments throughout the year.

BOARD ACTION - None, informational only.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD DURING THE MONTH

LAFCO - June 13, 2024

No Board Members attended.

Technical Services Committee - July 17, 2024

Dennis Domaille

Gary Thompson

Investment Committee - July 17, 2024

Tom Cage

Elizabeth Hylton (remote attendance Brown Act rules)

Finance Committee – July 17, 2024

Tom Cage

Elizabeth Hylton (remote attendance Brown Act rules)

LAFCO:

Mark Busby reported that Director Thompson was appointed as the Alternate Special District Representative following the nomination that was submitted to Mono LAFCO in May. The next LAFCO meeting is scheduled for October 10, 2024.

Technical Services Committee:

Director Domaille complimented Justin Mulbay and ISD for completing the SCADA upgrade and Garrett Higerd for working on easements.

Investment Committee:

Director Cage commented that the Chandler Asset Management team seems to be a great fit for the District and that they are working hard on maximizing the return on our investments.

Finance Committee:

Director Cage reported that the Finance Committee meeting included an update on revenue and the new auditors seem to be quick and efficient.

Director Hylton added that the auditors are planning to work quickly and plan to present the draft audit to the Board in September.

DIRECTOR COMMENTS, REQUESTS, AND REPORTS

Director Cage commented that it was beneficial to have a break from Board activity in the month of June and he sees how the extra time could benefit staff who are involved in summer projects. He proposed, if District business allows, to consider cancelling an additional meeting during the construction season to allow staff more time to complete projects.

ATTORNEY REPORT

Attorney Horowitz updated the Board on Initiative 1935 that was knocked off of the ballot by the California Supreme Court on two different grounds. This Initiative would have changed the finance system.

CLOSED SESSION

There was no closed session.

REPORT OUT AND ADJOURNMENT

President Smith adjourned the meeting at 6:11 p.m.