



MAMMOTH COMMUNITY WATER DISTRICT
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NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the President of the Board of Directors of the Mammoth Community Water District has called a **SPECIAL MEETING** to be held **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23, 2022** at **9:00 A.M.**

Please Note:

Subject to Board approval of Consent Item No. 1 on this agenda, this meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of Assembly Bill 361 (AB 361), which amends certain requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act. Due to the threat of COVID-19, the District boardroom is closed and this meeting will be conducted solely by video/teleconference with members of the Board attending from separate remote locations. The public is invited to listen, observe, and provide comments during the meeting by either method provided for below. The Board President will call for public comment on each agenda item at the appropriate time and all votes will be taken by roll call.

For members of the public interested in viewing and having the ability to comment at the public meeting via Zoom, an internet enabled computer equipped with a microphone and speaker or a mobile device with a data plan is required. Use of a webcam is optional. You also may call in to the meeting using teleconference without video. Directors, staff, and members of the public who wish to participate in the meeting may do so by joining the following Zoom Videoconference Meeting:

*<https://zoom.us/j/7609342596> (meeting ID: 760 934 2596) OR
Join via teleconference by dialing 1-669-900-9128, 760-934-2596#*

AGENDA

9:00 A.M.

Roll Call

Directors Cage, Creasy, Domaille, Smith, and Thompson

Consent Agenda

1. Consider finding by a majority vote under Gov. Code, section 54953, subd. (e)(1)(B) that as a result of the COVID-19 emergency: (i) meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees: and (ii) the meeting is authorized to be held by teleconference pursuant to Gov. Code, section 54953, subd. (e)(1)(C)

Current Business

1. Discuss and Consider Directing Staff to Amend the Fiscal Year 2023 Capital and Operating Budget to Allow for the Purchase of Inspection Equipment for the MCWD Collection System

Closed Session

1. Conference with Labor Negotiator

Pursuant to Government Code section 54957.6

District Employee Relations Officer: Mark Busby

Employee Organization: International Union of Operating Engineers, Local Union No. 12

Unrepresented Employees: Management, Supervisory, and Confidential

Adjournment

The meeting will be held in the conference room at the District facility located one mile east of Old Mammoth Road on Meridian Boulevard, just off Highway 203, Mammoth Lakes, California.



MARK BUSBY
General Manager

Date of Issuance: Tuesday, March 22, 2022

Posted: MCWD Office

MCWD Website: www.mcwd.dst.ca.us

cc: Members, Board of Directors

Town of Mammoth Lakes

KMMT, KIBS, KSRW Radio

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AGENDA ITEM

Subject: Consider finding under Gov. Code § 54953, subd. (e)(1)(B) that as a result of the COVID-19 emergency: (i) meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees; and (ii) the meeting is authorized to be held by teleconference pursuant to Gov. Code, § 54953, subd. (e)(1)(C).

Information Provided By: Mark Busby, General Manager

Discussion

In-light of the Governor's declaration that a state of emergency exists due to the incidence and spread of the novel coronavirus, and the pandemic caused by the resulting disease COVID-19, the Board should consider whether meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of meeting attendees.

The Centers for Disease Control indicates that COVID-19 is a highly transmissible virus that poses a serious health threat for anyone who may become infected. Since June of 2021, more infectious variants of the virus, have emerged increasing the public health risk.

The Mammoth Community Water District's boardroom is small and does not allow for social distancing for meeting attendees, including board members, District staff, and members of the public. The Director of Public Health for Mono County strongly recommends that "...physical/social distancing measures continue to be practiced throughout Mono County communities, including at meetings... and other County-related legislative bodies subject to the Brown Act, to minimize the spread of COVID-19."

Conducting meetings by teleconference would reduce the risk of transmission among meeting attendees, including members of the public and District staff, which has the ancillary effect of reducing community spread of the virus.

If the authorization to meet by teleconference is not granted by the Board, then the meeting will adjourn after this item and the remaining agenda items will be rescheduled to a future in-person meeting.

Recommendation

Determine that the Board find that, as a result of the COVID-19 emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees, and the meeting should be held by teleconference as authorized by subdivision (e)(1)(C) of section 54943 of the Government Code.



MONO COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Public Health

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To: Board of Supervisors

From: Bryan Wheeler, Director of Public Health

Re: Recommendation regarding Social Distancing and Virtual Meetings

Both Mono County “covering” Health Officer Dr. Rick Johnson and I strongly recommend that physical/social distancing measures continue to be practiced throughout our Mono County communities, including at meetings of the Board of Supervisors and other County-related legislative bodies subject to the Brown Act, to minimize the spread of COVID-19.

Whether vaccinated or not, positive individuals are contracting the Delta variant and infecting others in our communities. Social distancing and masking are crucial mitigation measures to prevent the disease’s spread. Virtual board meetings allow for the participation of the community, county staff, presenters, and board members in a safe environment, with no risk of contagion. It is recommended that legislative bodies in Mono County implement fully-remote meetings to the extent possible.

If you have any questions regarding this recommendation, please do not hesitate to contact me. We will continue to evaluate this recommendation on an ongoing basis and will communicate when there is no longer such a recommendation with respect to meetings for public bodies.

AGENDA ITEM

Subject: Discuss and Consider Directing Staff to Amend the Fiscal Year 2023 Capital and Operating Budget to Allow for the Purchase of Inspection Equipment for the MCWD Collection System

Information Provided By: Jeff Beatty, Finance Manager

Discussion

After adoption of the FY23 Operating and Capital Budget at the March 17, 2022 Board meeting, we learned that a department request for capital equipment was omitted from the budget.

The request is for a collection system inspection device that will allow the Line Maintenance crew to access 6-inch laterals in easements. The ability to inspect these laterals will improve the effectiveness of the sewer maintenance program.

Financial Impact

This amendment will increase the capital equipment budget by approximately \$58,500 with a corresponding reduction to the capital reserve contribution.

Requested Action

Consider and direct staff to amend the budget and purchase the collection system inspection equipment for approximately \$58,500.