



**MINUTES**  
**of the Regular Meeting**  
**Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency**  
**Board of Directors**  
**October 30, 2000**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency was Called to Order by Chair Choates at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, October 30, 2000, in the Board Room of the Administrative Offices at 5 Harris Court, Building D, in Ryan Ranch.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**3. ROLL CALL**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Darryl Choates, Chair	Seaside
Theresa Canepa, Vice Chair	Monterey
Carlo Cortopassi	Castroville Service Area 14
Ramiro Cortez	Boronda County Sanitation District
Tom Moore	Marina Coast Water District
Judy Pennycook	Monterey County
Morris Fisher	Pacific Grove
Janet Barnes	Salinas
David Pendergrass	Sand City
Dewey J. Baird	U.S. Army - Ex-Officio

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Jack D. Barlich	Del Rey Oaks
Peggy Shirrel	Moss Landing County Sanitation District

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Keith Israel	General Manager
Robert Wellington	Legal Counsel
Tom Buell	Director of Finance
Bob Jaques	Director of Engineering Planning and Technology
Dan Mizerski	Director of Wastewater Facilities
John Tiernan	Director of Administrative Services
Deborah Fortune	Executive Assistant
Mark Malanka	Operations & Maintenance Program Coordinator
Karen Kupel	Accountant II
Don Irving	Associate Engineer

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Don Betts – City of Seaside  
John Fair - City of Salinas  
Les Turnbeaugh – City of Monterey

**AUDIENCE:** 3

**4. CONSENT AGENDA**

**ACTION TAKEN:** On a motion by Mr. Pendergrass, seconded by Mr. Fisher, a withdrawn abstention by Mrs. Barnes, and no comments from the public, the Board unanimously approved the Consent Agenda (A through I), as follows:

- A. Approve Minutes: Regular Meeting – September 25, 2000
- B. Receive Financial Statements – August 2000
- C. Receive Comparison Percentage of Budget Expended Through September 2000 vs. 1999
- D. Receive Check Register – September 2000
- E. Receive Plant Flows and Effluent Quality for Connected Agencies, Plus Flow Charts for Fort Ord and Marina – September 2000
- F. Receive Actual vs. Budgeted Fiscal Year 2000/01 Expenditures for the Capital Improvement Program and Capitalized Equipment Fund
- G. Receive Actual vs. Anticipated Fiscal Year 2000/01 Revenues from Connection Fees
- H. Receive Residential Dwelling-Unit Aggregate as of September 30, 2000
- I. Receive Updated Board Committee Assignments Through March 2001

Mr. Wellington clarified that a member of the Board may abstain from approving the Consent Agenda if they were not present at the previous month's meeting, but they don't have to abstain since the approval action simply accepts the previous month's minutes.

**5. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

[At 7:05 p.m., with no comments received, Chair Choates opened and closed Public Comments.]

**6. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND RELATED ACTION ITEMS**

**A. BUDGET/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

- 1. Approve Committee Minutes/Report - Thursday, October 12, 2000
  - Including the Following Agenda Item(s) and Recommendation(s):
    - a. Financial Software Update
    - b. Salinas Storm Water Inspection Assistance
- 2. Adopt Resolution No. 2000-15, A Resolution Authorizing Purchase of Financial Software Upgrade from Eden Systems, Inc., Without Formal Competitive Bidding Under Exception to Purchasing Resolution No. 87-19

Mrs. Canepa noted a correction to be made on the bottom of page 40 where she appears to be the maker and second of the same motion. Mr. Pendergrass noted that the minutes are accurate, except for the comment noted by Mrs. Canepa.

[NOTE: The minutes report was corrected to read, "On a motion by Mrs. Canepa, seconded by Mrs. Shirrel...."]

**ACTION TAKEN: On a motion by Mrs. Canepa, seconded by Mr. Fisher, with no comments from the public, the Board unanimously approved the Budget/Personnel Committee Minutes/Report of October 12, with the correction and recommendations (including adoption of Resolution No. 2000-15).**

**B. RECYCLED WATER STORAGE COMMITTEE**

- 1. Approve Committee Minutes/Report - Thursday, October 12, 2000**
  - **Including the Following Agenda Item(s) and Recommendation(s):**
    - a. Consider Resolution of Joint Cooperation**
    - b. Closed Session**
- 2. Adopt Resolution No. 2000-16, A Statement of Intent to Work Toward the Joint Development and Implementation of a Regional Urban Recycled Water Project**

Mr. Pendergrass reported that the minutes are an accurate reflection of the actions of the committee.

For the record, Mr. Wellington noted that MCWD representative, Mr. Moore called today inquiring about the propriety of him voting on Resolution No. 2000-16 when, in fact, the MCWD adopted a very similar resolution with a slight difference in the language. The spirit and intent of both resolutions are the same, and with no conflict of interest, it's appropriate for him to vote on this motion.

**ACTION TAKEN: On a motion by Mrs. Canepa, seconded by Mr. Fisher, with no comments from the public, the Board unanimously approved the Recycled Water Storage Committee Minutes/Report of October 12, with the recommendations (including adoption of Resolution No. 2000-16).**

To an inquiry by Mr. Fisher, it was confirmed by Chair Choates and Mr. Wellington that the motion to approve the minutes/report, also included the recommendations of the committee. Resolution Nos. 2000-15 and 2000-16 were adopted with the motion to approve the minutes/report.

**7. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

**A. Fort Ord Issues Update**

Mr. Buell noted that as reported in this month's update, staff met with the Department of the Army on Wednesday, October 25.

**B. Reclamation Project Status Report Update**

Mr. Israel reported that with the recent rains, the project may be finished delivering water for the season. There were no questions or comments from the Board.

**C. Strategic Planning Goals and Objectives Update**

Mr. Fisher requested that the press be informed that Pacific Grove isn't the only jurisdiction having sewage spills. Unlike other jurisdictions, Pacific Grove sits on a hill and spills run into the ocean.

**8. STAFF REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS**

**A. General Manager/Legal Counsel**

There were no further reports or comments.

**B. Department Head(s)**

There were no further reports or comments.

**C. Presentation(s)**

**1. Update on Australian Presentation Regarding the Monterey County Water Recycling Projects**

At the request of the Australian Water Recycling Forum, Mr. Israel reported that he was provided an expense paid trip to Australia in mid-October where he made presentations in the cities of Sydney and Adelaide Australia, as well as Launceston, Tasmania. He noted that it was surprising how much knowledge, interest, and enthusiasm there was about our project.

Mr. Israel reported that Australia's Northern Adelaide Plains (NAP) Water Recycling Project was started in 1999, and is similar to our reclamation project. It has a 15-30 MGD capacity, 60 miles of pipe, Class A (equivalent to California Title 22), 230 growers, and is testing Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR). Another unique fact was the collaboration of a large number of government agencies to complete the project.

Mr. Israel showed a water quality comparison table that revealed Australia's NAP Water Recycling Project has somewhat reduced water quality standards compared to the MCWRP with TDS (1,200 mg/l vs. 825 mg/l), SAR (8.6 vs. 4.7), Chloride 440 vs. 250), Disinfection Levels - CT (300 vs. 900), and E. Coli (10/100 ml vs. 2.2 mpn). There was concern that these numbers should be retained for future reference and comparison.

At the conclusion of the presentation, Mr. Israel presented Chair Choates with a bottle of Australian wine that was a gift from those "down under."

## **9. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

With the impending election, Mr. Fisher thanked the Board, staff, and attorney for their professionalism, and for allowing him to serve as the representative from Pacific Grove. As a departing gesture, he wished everyone a happy Halloween, prosperous Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Mrs. Canepa agreed that next week's election would tell the story for both her and Mr. Fisher.

And, on a positive note, Chair Choates stated he planned to see everybody next month.

At 7:43 p.m., Mr. Wellington confirmed there would be a Closed Session regarding negotiation of property rights with Monterey County Water Resources Agency.

[At 7:44 p.m., the meeting room was cleared.]

[At 7:45 p.m., due to a conflict of interest, Mr. Wellington excused Mrs. Pennycook from the meeting room.]

## **10. CLOSED SESSION**

### **A. Conference with Property Negotiator**

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| <b>1. Property:</b>       | <b>Recycled Water</b>                         |
| <b>Negotiating Party:</b> | <b>Monterey County Water Resources Agency</b> |
| <b>Under Negotiation:</b> | <b>All Terms and Conditions</b>               |

[At 7:55 p.m., Chair Choates adjourned Closed Session and reconvened Open Session.]

Mr. Wellington announced that in Closed Session the Board gave unanimous direction to staff with regard to retaining the services of special legal counsel regarding water issues.

## **11. ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, Chair Choates adjourned the meeting at 7:56 p.m. to the last scheduled meeting of the year to be held Monday, November 27, 2000, at 7:00 p.m.

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Keith E. Israel  
General Manager/Secretary to the Board

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Darryl Choates  
Chair of the Board of Directors

Date Passed: November 27, 2000