



Montecito Sanitary District

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MINUTES

For the Regular Meeting of the Board on:

October 12, 2023

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Governing Board of the Montecito Sanitary District convened a regular meeting at 12:14 pm on Thursday, October 12, 2023. The meeting was also broadcast using Zoom teleconferencing.

ATTENDANCE

Board Members Present:

Directors Hogan, Johnson, Martin, Ohlmann, and Ellwood T. Barrett II

Board Members Absent:

None

Also Present and Participating:

John Weigold, MSD General Manager

Stephen Williams, MSD Clerk of the Board & District Administrator

Aleks, Giragosian, District Legal Counsel Ricardo Larroude, MSD Collections &

Anthony, Robert D. Niehaus

Sanjay, Robert D. Niehaus

Jeff Kerns, Member of the Public

Ken Coates, Montecito Water District Vice President

Floyd Wicks, Montecito Water District Director

Bob Hazard, Member of the Public

Nick Turner, Montecito Water District General Manager

Adam Kanold, Montecito Water District Assistant General Manager

Craig Murray, Member of the Public

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public addressed the Board.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

ON MOTION by Director Hogan, Seconded by Director Barrett, the Board voted to approve the following Consent Calendar items:

- A. Retroactively authorize Director Johnson to attend the CSDA Annual Conference from August 28th – 31st, 2023 on behalf of the Board
- B. Authorize Director Hogan to attend the CSDA Special District Leadership Academy Conference on October 22nd – 25th, 2023 on behalf of the Board

AYES: Directors Hogan, Johnson, Martin, Ohlmann, and Barrett
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

4. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Director Hogan have a brief report on the Joint Strategic Planning Committee Meeting with Montecito Water District related to their meeting on September 27, 2023.

5. **REGULAR BUSINESS**

A. **SEWER RATE STUDY**

The Board received a presentation from Robert D. Niehaus, Inc. related to their initial financial findings on the District's sewer rate study. No actions were taken.

B. **DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION TO INCREASE THE GENERAL MANAGER'S APPROVAL AUTHORITY FOR EXPENDITURES – HIGHWAY 101 SEWER CROSSING LINING PROJECT**

ON MOTION by Director Barrett; Seconded by Director Johnson, the Board voted to:

- i) Authorize the General Manager to approve expenditures of up to twenty-five percent (25%) to cover any cost increases that may result from contract change orders for extra work or other scope changes as part of the District's Highway 101 Sewer Crossing Lining Project (Lining Project).

AYES: Directors Hogan, Johnson, Martin, Ohlmann, and Barrett
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

C. **MONTECITO SANITARY DISTRICT CONSOLIDATION WITH THE MONTECITO WATER DISTRICT**

ON MOTION by Director Barrett, Seconded by Director Johnson, the Board voted to:

- i) Receive and file the Raftelis Special District Collaboration and Consolidation Report as final.

AYES: Directors Hogan, Johnson, Martin, Ohlmann, and Barrett
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

The Board then discussed and took a vote on whether to consolidate with the Montecito Water District. The action did not pass with a 2-3 vote:

AYES: Directors Johnson and Barrett
NAYS: Directors Hogan, Martin, and Ohlmann
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

D. ADOPTION OF STRATEGIC PLAN

ON MOTION by Director Barrett, Seconded by Director Ohlmann, the Board voted to adopt the Strategic Plan that was developed at the Districts' September 14, 2023 Regular Meeting.

AYES: Directors Hogan, Martin, Ohlmann, and Barrett
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Director Johnson

6. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA


The next Board meeting will be a General Meeting of the Board on November 9, 2023. The following topics were brought up as potential agenda items:

- Amending the District's Strategic Plan
- Adding Septic-to-Sewer Conversions
- How we can best support Recycled Water with the Montecito Water District
 - Gather the Memorandum of Understanding between Goleta Sanitary District and Goleta Water District for their Recycled Water partnership

7. ADJOURNMENT

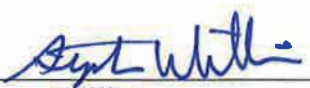
The meeting adjourned at 4:22 pm ON MOTION by Director Hogan, Seconded by Director Barrett.

These minutes were presented for approval at the Special Board Meeting on December 6, 2023.



Ellwood T. Barrett II, President

Minutes taken and prepared by:



Stephen Williams
District Administrator/Clerk of the Board