

Minutes
CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

September 24, 2009

The Advisory Committee meeting was held at the offices of the Chino Basin Watermaster, 9641 San Bernardino Road, Rancho Cucamonga CA, on September 24, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Appropriative Pool

Gene Koopman, Chair

Ken Jeske

Marty Zvirbulis

Mark Kinsey

Dave Crosley

Ron Craig

Tim Hampton

Charles Moorrees

Robert Young

Mike McGraw

Agricultural Pool

Bob Feenstra

Jeff Pierson

Non-Agricultural Pool

Kevin Sage

Milk Producers Counsel

City of Ontario

Cucamonga Valley Water District

Monte Vista Water District

City of Chino

City of Chino Hills

City of Pomona

San Antonio Water Company

Fontana Union Water Company

Fontana Water Company

Ag Pool - Dairy

Ag Pool – Crops

Vulcan Materials Company (Calmat Division)

Watermaster Staff Present

Kenneth R. Manning

Sheri Rojo

Ben Pak

Danielle Maurizio

Sherri Lynne Molino

Chief Executive Officer

CFO/Asst. General Manager

Senior Project Engineer

Senior Engineer

Recording Secretary

Watermaster Consultants Present

Michael Fife

Mark Wildermuth

Brownstein, Hyatt, Farber & Schreck

Wildermuth Environmental, Inc.

Others Present

Bill Kruger

Steven Lee

Rich Atwater

Ryan Shaw

Scott Burton

Martin McClintock

John Mura

Doug La Belle

City of Chino Hills

Reid & Hellyer

Inland Empire Utilities Agency

Inland Empire Utilities Agency

City of Ontario

Department of Justice/CIM

City of Chino Hills

City of Chino Hills, Representative

Chair Koopman called the Advisory Committee meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

AGENDA - ADDITIONS/REORDER

No additions or reorders were made to the agenda.

I. CONSENT CALENDAR**A. MINUTES**

1. Minutes of the Advisory Committee Meeting held August 27, 2009

B. FINANCIAL REPORTS

1. Watermaster Visa Check Detail for the month of July 2009
2. Combining Schedule for the Period July 1, 2009 through July 31, 2009
3. Treasurer's Report of Financial Affairs for the Period July 1, 2009 through July 31, 2009
4. Budget vs. Actual July 2009

Motion by Kinsey, second by Jeske, and by unanimous vote

Moved to approve Consent Calendar A through B, as presented

II. BUSINESS ITEM**A. COMPREHENSIVE SOLUTION FOR THE SACRAMENTO-SAN JOAQUIN DELTA – POLICY POSITION**

Mr. Manning stated this item comes before this committee from a request by a member of the Watermaster Board who is very active on the Southern California Water Committee (SWC) regarding working on a comprehensive solution regarding the Delta. The Southern California Water Committee has taken a policy position and is asking other agencies to support them in their endeavor and Mr. Vanden Heuvel is asking Chino Basin Watermaster to support this effort. Mr. Feenstra commented on the benefit in working for a solution for the Delta problems. A discussion regarding the Delta and on Chino Basin Watermaster lobbying ensued. It was noted Chino Basin Watermaster has not taken a position on this position; it is a recommendation from a Board member that we support the SWC's position.

Motion by Feenstra, second by McGraw, and by unanimous vote

Moved to approve supporting the Southern California Water Committees position on the Comprehensive Solution for the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, as presented

III. REPORTS/UPDATES**A. WATERMASTER GENERAL LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT****1. Court Transition Process**

Counsel Fife stated we received a letter from the presiding judge which is in response from a letter sent to the court regarding Watermaster offer to assist in the new judge selection process. The letter simply states; a new assignment will be made by the court. There will be a waiting period to see if there are any preemptory challenges on the judge that is chosen. Counsel Fife offered comment on what a preemptory challenge is and how it would work if there was one made regarding the selected new judge. A discussion regarding this matter ensued.

B. FINANCIAL REPORT**1. Financial Changes**

Ms. Rojo stated as a result in the change in the meetings normally there are five financial reports included in the meeting package and now there will be a month lag time for the cash disbursement report which is a listing of all the checks paid. That report is not in the package this month but will be back in the package starting next month.

2. Assessment Package Workshop

Ms. Rojo stated the Assessment Package Workshop was held on September 9, 2009 which went well. There was some feedback on some of the title headings which is an easy fix. The discussion did become focused on the Cumulative Unmet Replenishment Obligation (CURO). Ms. Rojo reviewed what CURO is and how it plays a role for the parties. Ms. Rojo stated the CURO will be the main focus at the upcoming Strategic Planning Conference next week. A discussion regarding CURO, allocated interest, and LAIF interest rates

ensued. Chair Koopman asked Watermaster staff to look into other places to invest Watermaster funds to possibly receive a higher return. Ms. Rojo stated staff would look into that and would bring back some proposals at a future meeting. A discussion regarding Metropolitan Water Districts' rates ensued.

C. CEO/STAFF REPORT

1. Legislative Update

Mr. Manning stated the legislature did have a tremendous amount of work that was accomplished on the Delta Package in their legislative session. There was discussion to bring that legislation back into session to try and accomplish more on the Delta Package. Mr. Manning stated he will keep the parties apprised as the information becomes available. Mr. Manning stated AB 1366 regarding water softeners has passed is going to be sent to the governor's office this week for signature.

2. Recharge Update

Mr. Manning stated the most recent recharge update is available on the back table.

3. Watermaster Policy Manual

Mr. Manning stated Watermaster is in the process of developing a Policy Manual and noted this item has been mentioned and discussed at previous meetings. Mr. Manning noted the Appropriative Pool had put together an Ad-Hoc Committee regarding the manual. Mr. Manning stated Jeff Pierson from the Agricultural Pool was recently appointed to sit on that Ad-Hoc Committee and that appointment came two days after the committee met for the first time. After the Ad-Hoc Committee met the committee chair gave Watermaster staff some good direction and will be providing some suggested changes. Mr. Jeske offered comment and noted the changes would not be coming to Watermaster staff until after the water auction in November.

4. Auction Update

Mr. Manning demonstrated the Chino Basin Watermaster web page which contains a separate water auction website. Mr. Manning reviewed the new water auction website in detail. Mr. Manning stated there is a team that is working on all elements of the water auction. A due diligence package and resource materials have been developed to assist possible bidders.

D. INLAND EMPIRE UTILITIES AGENCY

1. IEUA Recycled Water Program Update

Mr. Atwater stated the next IEUA Dry Year Yield meeting that was scheduled for October 15, 2009 has been changed to October 22, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. to allow more time to gather documents for that meeting.

Mr. Atwater noted there are several items located in the Watermaster meeting packet from Inland Empire Utilities Agency for review.

2. IEUA's Drought Plan Update

No comment was made regarding this item.

3. Water Resources & Conservation Programs Monthly Report

No comment was made regarding this item.

4. Monthly Water Use Report

No comment was made regarding this item.

5. Recycled Water Newsletter

No comment was made regarding this item.

- 6. State and Federal Legislative Reports
No comment was made regarding this item.
- 7. Community Outreach/Public Relations Report
No comment was made regarding this item.
- 8. Peace II Schedule
No comment was made regarding this item.

F. OTHER METROPOLITAN MEMBER AGENCY REPORTS
No comment was made regarding this item.

IV. INFORMATION

- 1. Newspaper Articles
No comment was made regarding this item.

V. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Kinsey stated Monte Vista Water District is in the process of modifying its rate structure by using a true budget based allocation approach. Mr. Kinsey noted that once the whole process is finished and operational if any person would like to review how it was done he would share that process with them.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Manning discussed the upcoming holiday schedule which will require meeting dates for November and December to be changed.

VII. CONFIDENTIAL SESSION - POSSIBLE ACTION

Pursuant to the Advisory Committee Rules & Regulations, a Confidential Session may be held during the Advisory Committee meeting for the purpose of discussion and possible action.

No confidential session was called.

VIII. FUTURE MEETINGS

September 22, 2009	10:00 a.m.	Water Quality Meeting @ CBWM
September 24, 2009	8:00 a.m.	IEUA Dry Year Yield Meeting @ CBWM
September 24, 2009	9:00 a.m.	Advisory Committee Meeting @ CBWM
September 24, 2009	11:00 a.m.	Watermaster Board Meeting @ CBWM
September 28, 2009	11:00 a.m.	Golf Tournament @ Oak Quarry
September 28, 2009	5:00 p.m.	Strategic Planning Kick-Off Reception @ Oak Quarry
September 29, 2009	7:30 a.m.	Strategic Planning Conference @ Etiwanda Gardens
October 1, 2009	1:00 p.m.	Appropriative & Non-Agricultural Pool Meeting @ CBWM
October 8, 2009	9:00 a.m.	Agricultural Pool Meeting @ IEUA
October 15, 2009	8:00 a.m.	IEUA Dry Year Yield Meeting @ CBWM
October 15, 2009	9:00 a.m.	Advisory Committee Meeting @ CBWM
October 22, 2009	11:00 a.m.	Watermaster Board Meeting @ CBWM
October 22, 2009	1:00 p.m.	Recharge Master Plan Workshop @ CBWM

The Advisory Committee meeting was dismissed by Chair Koopman at 10:55 a.m.

Secretary: _____

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