

Minutes
CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

April 18, 2013

The Advisory Committee meeting was held at the offices of the Chino Basin Watermaster, 9641 San Bernardino Road, Rancho Cucamonga CA, on April 18, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Appropriative Pool

Rosemary Hoerning, Chair
Marty Zvirbulis
Dennis Mejia
Curtis Aaron
Nadeem Majaj
Dave Crosley
Mark Kinsey
Van Jew
Robert Young
Seth Zielke
Tom Harder
Teri Layton

City of Upland
Cucamonga Valley Water District
City of Ontario
City of Pomona
City of Chino Hills
City of Chino
Monte Vista Water District
Monte Vista Irrigation Company
Fontana Water Company
Fontana Union Water Company
Jurupa Community Services District
San Antonio Water Company

Agricultural Pool

Jeff Pierson
Pete Hall

Ag Pool – Crops
Ag Pool – State of California – CIM

Non-Agricultural Pool

Brian Geye, Vice-Chair
Ken Jeske

Auto Club Speedway
California Steel Industries

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Bob Craig

Jurupa Community Services District

Watermaster Staff Present

Peter Kavounas
Joe Joswiak
Sherri Molino

General Manager
Chief Financial Officer
Recording Secretary

Watermaster Consultants Present

Brad Herrema

Brownstein, Hyatt, Farber & Schreck

Others Present Who Signed In

David De Jesus
Rick Hanson
Sheri Rojo
Josh Swift
Jo Lynne Russo-Pereyra
Justin Scott-Coe
Terry Catlin
Ryan Shaw
Curtis Paxton
Jack Safely
Paula Lantz

Three Valleys Municipal Water District
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Fontana Water Company
Fontana Union Water Company
Cucamonga Valley Water District
Monte Vista Water District
Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Chino Desalter Authority
Western Municipal Water District
City of Pomona

Chuck Hays
Rogelio Mata
Kevin Sage
Allison Burns

City of Fontana
City of Fontana
Integrated Resource Management
Stadling Yocca Carlson & Rauth for CDA

Chair Hoerning called the Advisory Committee meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

AGENDA - ADDITIONS/REORDER

There were no additions or reorders made to the agenda.

I. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. MINUTES

1. Minutes of the Advisory Committee Meeting held March 21, 2013

B. FINANCIAL REPORTS

1. Cash Disbursements for the month of February 2013
2. Watermaster VISA Check Detail for the month of February 2013
3. Combining Schedule for the Period July 1, 2012 through February 28, 2013
4. Treasurer's Report of Financial Affairs for the Period February 1, 2013 through February 28, 2013
5. Budget vs. Actual Report for the Period July 1, 2012 through February 28, 2013

Motion by Crosley, second by Zvirbulis, and by unanimous vote

Moved to approve Consent Calendar Items A through B, as presented

II. BUSINESS ITEMS

A. CDA REQUEST RE REMEDIATION OF CHINO AIRPORT GROUNDWATER PLUME

Mr. Kavounas stated this item is on the agenda today to provide an opportunity for Pool representatives to discuss this item further. The Pools over the last couple of months have asked for more information, and the information gathered at subsequent separate meetings is provided in today's staff letter in the meeting packages. It was noted more information was provided at those meetings by the Chino Desalter Authority (CDA) and what is provided in the package is a summarization. The Pool actions are noted in the staff letter; however, the Agricultural Pool did not take an action other than to give direction to its Board member. Mr. Kavounas stated he would summarize the direction the Agricultural Pool provided to its Board member to move forward with the requested action, answer all questions and concerns, minimize liability to the greatest extent possible, and avoid unnecessary delay in costs. The item is here for the Advisory Committee and the request is to give advice to the Watermaster Board, and staff understands the Pools are not ready to take that action, meaning this item will come back month.

Chair Hoerning stated at the Appropriate Pool meeting it was asked that no recommendation on that item be provided to move forward to the Watermaster Board because there were still items that had not been provided that were requested of the CDA and of Watermaster. Chair Hoerning stated that the CDA indicated this item could be deferred for one more month to provide that information. Chair Hoerning stated the Non-Agricultural Pool concurred with the Appropriate Pool recommendation. At this time, if there is a motion from the Advisory Committee to provide advice to the Watermaster Board, that motion could be considered.

Mr. Jeske stated he would make a motion to continue for one month and noted the Watermaster Board has a closed session scheduled for today with this item on its agenda. Mr. Jeske stated he believes the motion should include continuing the item for a month and that it not be agendized by the Watermaster Board until May. Mr. Jeske stated the Non-Agricultural Pool also gave recommendations and those were made in open session. Mr. Geye stated the Non-Agricultural Pool provided guidance to see the legal draft first.

Mr. Kinsey inquired if the motion being made today is the same as the Appropriative motion and the Non-Agricultural Pool's motion. Mr. Jeske stated he did not make it the exact same as the Pools and to just continue the item; the Pools motions stand as they are.

Motion by Jeske, second by Zvirbulis, and by majority vote – Hall voted no

Moved by majority vote to continue the item for a month through the Pool process; and to request that this item not be on April 25, 2013 Watermaster Board agenda. Mr. Hall, representing the Agricultural Pool, voted against the motion, as presented

B. RIGHT OF ENTRY PERMIT BETWEEN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND CBWM

Mr. Kavounas stated the Advisory Committee's approval is required because this item entails entering into a contract with the State of California. The Pools have reviewed this item and all three Pools recommended moving forward with the proposed Right of Entry Permit.

Motion by Geye, second by Hall, and by unanimous vote

Moved to authorize the General Manager to execute the proposed Right of Entry Permit, allowing authority to approve non-substantive changes, as presented

III. REPORTS/UPDATES

A. LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT

Counsel Herrema stated the Watermaster Board has a closed session for 1:00 p.m. today and one of the items that is on the closed session agenda is the CDA request, which the Watermaster Board will discuss at that time. The Watermaster Board also has a closed session scheduled for the item for immediately prior to the Watermaster Board meeting next week.

Mr. Crosley stated when the CDA request was discussed at the Appropriative Pool meeting it was a request for the draft pleading, and inquired how that is proceeding. Counsel Herrema stated that is something that the Watermaster Board will take up today and provide direction to legal counsel.

B. GM REPORT

1. Budget Process Update

Mr. Kavounas stated the Personnel Committee met recently and discussed items which were related to the Watermaster budget process. Mr. Kavounas stated there was a budget workshop held Tuesday, April 16, 2013, and there is a second budget workshop is scheduled for Tuesday, April 23, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. at the Watermaster office.

2. RRR Update

Mr. Kavounas stated he has distributed his notes from the RRR event to all the Pool chairs and has received comments back from them; the notes will now be reviewed and sent to the Watermaster Board to also allow for their input.

3. ACWA Conference

Mr. Kavounas stated the next ACWA conference is coming up in May and it seems to conflict with the May Pool Committee meetings so he will not be attending this conference this year because at the May meetings Watermaster will be presenting its budget.

4. SCWC Panel Discussion

Mr. Kavounas stated there is a meeting of the Southern California Water Committee (SCWC), and we have a member that is a member of the executive committee, Mr. Geoffrey Vanden Heuvel, and he wanted to bring to the Pools attention that the SCWC is having one of its meetings on Friday, April 26, 2013 which is being hosted locally by Inland Empire Utilities Agency (IEUA). Mr. Kavounas stated the luncheon and panel discussion is at noon; the subject is Safe and Secure Water Supplies, and the featured speaker is John Laird, Secretary of California Natural Resources Agency.

C. INLAND EMPIRE UTILITIES AGENCY1. MWD Update – Oral

Mr. Shaw gave a presentation on Statewide Hydrologic Conditions, Fisheries Restrictions Update, 2013 Supply and Demand Balance, and 2013 Estimated Ending Storage Levels.

2. State and Federal Legislative Reports

No comment was made.

3. Community Outreach/Public Relations Report

No comment was made.

D. OTHER METROPOLITAN MEMBER AGENCY REPORTS

Mr. Safely stated there is litigation going on regarding the Santa Ana Sucker Critical Habitat and the agencies participating in that have funded the appeal. Mr. Safely stated that Western Municipal Water District (WMWD) has added another \$75,000 to the litigation fund at their last board meeting and there is no action to report on that yet. Mr. Safely stated the San Diego Water Authorities has litigation against Metropolitan Water District on rates; there has been a new judge assigned to that case which could be good news for WMWD.

Mr. Hansen stated he wanted to welcome Mr. Joe Grindstaff as the new Inland Empire Utilities Agency (IEUA) General Manager.

Mr. Catlin stated IEUA staff is very pleased that Mr. Grindstaff came on board as the new General Manager with a five-year contract.

IV. INFORMATION1. Cash Disbursements for March 2013

No comment was made.

V. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Crosley reiterated how important it is that the draft pleading get distributed to the stakeholders as soon as possible so the CDA matter does not drag out any longer that it has to.

M. Hoerning stated the Personnel Committee did meet recently and reviewed the General Manager's recommendations regarding personnel contracts, and the Committee members were supportive of his recommendations.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

No comment was made.

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 AT WATERMASTER

Tuesday, April 16, 2013	9:30 a.m.	Budget Workshop
Thursday, April 18, 2013	8:00 a.m.	IEUA DYY Meeting
Thursday, April 18, 2013	9:00 a.m.	Advisory Committee Meeting
Thursday, April 18, 2013	10:00 a.m.	RMPU Amendment Steering Committee Meeting
Thursday, April 18, 2013	1:00 p.m.	Watermaster Board Confidential Conference Call
Tuesday, April 23, 2013	9:30 a.m.	Potential 2 nd Budget Workshop
Thursday, April 25, 2013	10:00 a.m.	Watermaster Board Confidential Session Meeting
Thursday, April 25, 2013	11:00 a.m.	Watermaster Board Meeting
Thursday, May 2, 2013	10:00 a.m.	RMPU Amendment Steering Committee Meeting

Thursday, May 9, 2013	9:00 a.m.	Appropriative Pool Meeting
Thursday, May 9, 2013	11:00 a.m.	Non-Agricultural Pool Conference Call Meeting
Thursday, May 9, 2013	1:30 p.m.	Agricultural Pool Meeting
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Chair Hoerning adjourned the Advisory Committee meeting at 9:18 a.m.

Secretary: _____

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