

MINUTES
CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER
WATERMASTER BOARD MEETING
May 22, 2014

The Watermaster Board meeting was held at the offices of the Chino Basin Watermaster, 9641 San Bernardino Road, Rancho Cucamonga, CA on May 22, 2014.

WATERMASTER BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Robert "Bob" Craig, Chair
Steve Elie, Vice-Chair
Bob Kuhn
Charles Field
Mark Kinsey
Bob Bowcock
J. Arnold Rodriguez
Geoffrey Vanden Heuvel
Jeff Pierson, for Paul Hofer

Jurupa Community Services District
Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Three Valleys Municipal Water District
Western Municipal Water District
Monte Vista Water District
Vulcan Materials Company (Calmat Division)
Santa Ana River Water Company
Agricultural Pool – Dairy
Agricultural Pool – Crops

WATERMASTER BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Paul Hofer

Agricultural Pool – Crops

WATERMASTER STAFF PRESENT

Peter Kavounas
Danielle Maurizio
Joseph Joswiak
Anna Truong

General Manager
Assistant General Manager
Chief Financial Officer
Recording Secretary

WATERMASTER CONSULTANTS PRESENT

Scott Slater
Brad Herrema

Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP
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OTHERS PRESENT

Pete Hall
Ken Jeske
Rick Hansen
Marty Zvirbulis
Robert Hanford
Jasmin Hall
Curtis Paxton
Ron Craig
Brian Geye
Scott Burton
Eunice Ulloa
Sheri Rojo
Terry Catlin
Gil Aldaco
David De Jesus
Manny Martinez
Bob Feenstra

State of California – CIM
California Steel Industries
Three Valleys Municipal Water District
Cucamonga Valley Water District
Golden State Water Company
Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Chino Basin Desalter Authority
City of Chino Hills
Auto Club Speedway
City of Ontario
Chino Basin Water Conservation District
Fontana Water Company
Inland Empire Utilities Agency
City of Chino
Three Valleys Municipal Water District
Monte Vista Water District
Agricultural Pool – Dairy

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Craig called the Watermaster Board meeting to order at 11:05 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

AGENDA - ADDITIONS/REORDER

None

I. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. MINUTES

1. Minutes of the Watermaster Board meeting held April 24, 2014

B. FINANCIAL REPORTS

1. Cash Disbursements for the month of March 2014
2. Watermaster VISA Check Detail for the month of March 2014
3. Combining Schedule for the Period July 1, 2013 through March 31, 2014
4. Treasurer's Report of Financial Affairs for the Period March 1, 2014 through March 31, 2014
5. Budget vs. Actual Report for the Period July 1, 2013 through March 31, 2014

(0:00:49)

Motion by Mr. Bob Kuhn, second by Mr. Bob Bowcock, and carried unanimously
Moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented

II. BUSINESS ITEMS

A. WATERMASTER FISCAL YEAR 2014/15 PROPOSED BUDGET

Approve the proposed FY 2014/15 budget as presented

(0:01:14) Messrs. Joswiak and Kavounas gave an abbreviated version of the report as requested by the Board.

(0:20:08)

Motion by Mr. Geoffrey Vanden Heuvel, second by Mr. Jeff Pierson, and carried unanimously
Moved to approve Business Item IIA as presented

B. WATERMASTER BOARD COMPENSATION POLICY

(0:20:31) Mr. Kavounas presented two alternatives developed by staff and a discussion ensued. The two alternatives were:

Alternative 1: Amend the Rules and Regulations by adding the following language, or other language as the Board chooses:

A Watermaster Board member has three Options with regard to payment of compensation. Option 1 is to have the payment payable directly to the Board member under the Board member's name; Option 2 is to have the payment payable directly to the Board member's

employer/agency; and Option 3 is for the Board member to waive the compensation payment. Option 1 or Option 2 requires completion and submission of a signed W-9 form.

Alternative 2: Do not amend the existing Rules and Regulations.

(0:25:04)

Motion by Mr. Geoffrey Vanden Heuvel, second by Mr. Mark Kinsey, and carried unanimously
Moved to approve Business Item IIB adopting Alternative 1 as presented

C. GM CONTRACT CONSIDERATION

This item was taken in closed session.

III. REPORTS/UPDATES

A. LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT

1. April 25, 2014 Hearing
2. Non-Ag Pool Motion re Non-Ag Pool Quorum and Voting

(0:25:24) Mr. Slater gave a report and a discussion ensued.

B. CFO REPORT

None

C. ENGINEER REPORT

None

D. GM REPORT

1. Safe Yield Recalculation
2. Max Benefit Reporting Obligation to RWQCB
3. Ontario Grant
4. Voluntary Agreements
5. Other

(0:39:27) Mr. Kavounas commented that the Safe Yield Recalculation schedule is being adjusted to accommodate a number of people that are involved in the process; Watermaster will work with the Pools and especially the Appropriative Pool, to continue the process at a reasonable pace, while holding necessary meetings at times when most people can attend. Mr. Kavounas also gave a report on the remaining items. A discussion ensued.

IV. INFORMATION

1. Cash Disbursements for April, 2014

V. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

(1:03:29) Mr. Vanden Heuvel commented that he expected for the Safe Yield process to have a streamlined process and for Watermaster to honor the commitment to the Court to have a solid process going forward.

(1:05:30) Chair Craig asked for a process so that there is accountability for Board member reimbursements when Board members attend conferences going forward. A discussion ensued. Mr. Kavounas will bring a draft document back to the Board for review.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

None

VII. CONFIDENTIAL SESSION - POSSIBLE ACTION

Chair Craig called for a closed session at 12:19 p.m. to discuss the following:

- 1. GM Performance Evaluation

Closed session concluded at 12:47 p.m. with no reportable action.

VII. FUTURE MEETINGS AT WATERMASTER

5/22/14	Thu	11:00 a.m.	Watermaster Board
6/12/14	Thu	9:00 a.m.	Appropriative Pool
6/12/14	Thu	11:00 a.m.	Non-Agricultural Pool
6/12/14	Thu	1:30 p.m.	Agricultural Pool
6/19/14	Thu	8:00 a.m.	Dry Year Yield
6/19/14	Thu	9:00 a.m.	Advisory Committee
6/19/14	Thu	10:00 a.m.*	Joint IEUA/CBWM Recharge Improvement Projects AND RMPU Steering Committee
6/26/14	Thu	11:00 a.m.	Watermaster Board

***Note:** This meeting will take place immediately following the Advisory Committee Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Craig adjourned the Watermaster Board meeting at 12:47 p.m.

Secretary: _____

Minutes Approved: June 26, 2014