

MINUTES
CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER
WATERMASTER BOARD MEETING

April 26, 2018

The Watermaster Board meeting was held at the offices of the Chino Basin Watermaster located at 9641 San Bernardino Road, Rancho Cucamonga, CA on April 26, 2018.

WATERMASTER BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Robert DiPrimio, Chair
Jeff Pierson, Vice-Chair
David De Jesus for Bob Kuhn
Brian Geye for Bob Bowcock
Eunice Ulloa
Paul Hofer
Steve Elie
Gino Filippi
Don Galleano

Fontana Water Company
Agricultural Pool – Crops
Three Valleys Municipal Water District
California Speedway Corporation
City of Chino
Agricultural Pool – Crops
Inland Empire Utilities Agency
City of Upland
Western Municipal Water District

WATERMASTER BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Bob Kuhn
Bob Bowcock

Three Valleys Municipal Water District
CalMat Co.

WATERMASTER STAFF PRESENT

Peter Kavounas
Joseph Joswiak
Edgar Tellez Foster
Anna Truong
Justin Nakano

General Manager
Chief Financial Officer
Senior Environmental Engineer
Executive Services Director/Board Clerk
Water Resources Senior Associate

WATERMASTER CONSULTANTS PRESENT

Scott Slater
Andy Malone

Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP
Wildermuth Environmental, Inc.

OTHERS PRESENT

Bob Feenstra
Curtis Paxton
Pete Hall
Betty Anderson
Manny Martinez
Chris Berch
Van Jew
Ron Craig
Amanda Coker
Todd Corbin
Dave Crosley
Katie Gienger
Raul Garibay
Eduardo Espinoza
Ryan Shaw
Art Kidman

Agricultural Pool – Dairy
Chino Basin Desalter Authority
State of California – CIM
Jurupa Community Services District
Monte Vista Water District
Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Monte Vista Water District
City of Chino Hills
City of Chino
Jurupa Community Services District
City of Chino
City of Ontario
City of Pomona
Cucamonga Valley Water District
Western Municipal Water District
Kidman Gagen Law, LLP

CALL TO ORDER

Chair DiPrimio called the Watermaster Board meeting to order at 11:00 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 March 22, 2018

B. FINANCIAL REPORTS

1. Cash Disbursements for the month of February 2018
2. Watermaster VISA Check Detail for the month of February 2018
3. Combining Schedule for the Period July 1, 2017 through February 28, 2018
4. Treasurer's Report of Financial Affairs for the Period February 1, 2018 through February 28, 2018
5. Budget vs. Actual Report for the Period July 1, 2017 through February 28, 2018

C. BUDGET AMENDMENT FORM A-18-03-01

Adopt the Budget Amendment Form A-18-03-01 for FY 2017/18 in the amount of \$392,216 for the increased costs associated with the (1) Engineering Services Storage Management project; and (2) the SCADA Installation, Monitoring and Reimbursement Letter Agreement between Watermaster, Monte Vista Water District, and Wildermuth Environmental, Inc., effective September 28, 2017, as presented.

(0:00:44)

Motion by Mr. Don Galleano, seconded by Vice-Chair Jeff Pierson, and by unanimous vote.

Moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

II. BUSINESS ITEMS

NONE

III. REPORTS/UPDATES

A. LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT

1. Appeal of April 28, 2017 Order
2. May 25, 2018 Court Hearing

(0:01:08) Mr. Slater gave a report and announced the 40th Annual Report court hearing on May 25, 2018 is rescheduled to 1:30 p.m. on June 22, 2018.

(0:03:13) Mr. Elie joined the meeting at 11:04 a.m.

B. ENGINEER REPORT

1. Storage Framework
2. 2018 RMPU
3. Prado Basin Habitat Sustainability Program
4. Ground-Level Monitoring Program
5. SGMA Annual Filing

(0:05:31) Mr. Malone gave a report. A discussion ensued.

C. CFO REPORT

1. Fiscal Year 2018/19 Budget

(0:11:20) Mr. Joswiak gave a report.

D. GM REPORT

1. State Board Annual Filing of Diversion Permits
2. SGMA Implementation Update
3. FY 2017/18 Second Interim Organization Performance Report
4. Other

(0:13:29) Mr. Kavounas gave reports on Items III.D.1. and III.D.2.

(0:15:02) Mr. Kavounas introduced Mr. Nakano, who gave an update on the RMPU projects. A discussion ensued.

(0:20:19) Mr. Kavounas gave a report on Item III.D.3 and discussed the report found on page 61 of the Board Package. A discussion ensued.

(0:31:50) Mr. Kavounas introduced Mr. Berch of Inland Empire Utilities Agency to give an update on Prop 1. A discussion ensued.

(0:48:50) Mr. Kavounas announced that the *Journal of Water* printed an article regarding water transactions within the Chino Basin and the article was available as a handout. He also thanked Ms. Gienger for her helpful recommendations regarding certain budget items. Lastly, Mr. Kavounas announced that on June 3, 2018 Watermaster staff will be participating in the Climb for Heroes fundraiser to hike up Mt. Baldy with a goal to raise \$1,000, and invited folks to join the hike or donate. He mentioned the Agricultural Pool's generous donation of \$1,000 to the fundraiser. A discussion ensued.

IV. INFORMATION

1. Cash Disbursements for March 2018

V. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

(0:52:30) Mr. Filippi shared about the water tour that Three Valleys Municipal District extended to him. He attended with Messrs. Kuhn and Kavounas, and some of the tour sites were Palo Verde Irrigation District, Coachella Valley Water District, and Imperial Irrigation District. He thanked Mr. De Jesus for putting together a great tour.

Mr. Filippi also mentioned his concern that his alternate to the Watermaster Board might have shared views that Mr. Filippi does not agree with. Lastly, Mr. Filippi welcomed back Mr. Galleano after his absence.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

(0:54:07) Mr. Slater announced the General Manager Performance Evaluation process will be conducted in May and June 2018, and asked the Board to submit comments by May 11, 2018. There will be a review of remarks during the May 2018 Board meeting, and the evaluation will be finalized at the June 2018 meeting.

Ms. Ulloa left the meeting at 11:54 a.m. immediately following open session, and did not participate in confidential session.

VIII. CONFIDENTIAL SESSION - POSSIBLE ACTION

Chair DiPrimio called for a confidential session at 11:55 a.m. to discuss the Notice of Appeal from April 28, 2017 Order. Mr. Slater announced that confidential session concluded at 12:24 p.m. with no reportable action.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair DiPrimio adjourned the Watermaster Board meeting at 12:25 p.m.

Secretary: _____

Approved: _____ May 24, 2018