

MINUTES

BOARD OF DIRECTORS PLACER COUNTY WATER AGENCY

Thursday, September 15, 2005
8:15 a.m., Adjourned Meeting

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Roccucci called the adjourned meeting of the Placer County Water Agency Board of Directors to order at 8:27 a.m. in the Placer County Water Agency Business Center American River Room, 144 Ferguson Road, Auburn, California. Janet Goldsmith led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Directors present: ALEX FERREIRA, LOWELL JARVIS, MIKE LEE,
OTIS WOLLAN, CHAIR PAULINE ROCCUCCI

Board Directors absent: None

Agency personnel present: DAVID BRENINGER, General Manager; JANET GOLDSMITH, General Counsel, CHERI SPRUNCK, Agency Secretary/Clerk to the Board; JOHN KINGSBURY, Director of Customer Services; VALERIE LORD, Director of Administrative Services; BRIAN MARTIN, Director of Technical Services; MIKE NICHOL, Director of Field Services; JOSEPH PARKER, Director of Financial Services;

B. PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no public comment.

C. REPORTS BY DEPARTMENT HEADS

Director of Field Services reported on unexpected costs and repairs to failing infrastructure. Repairs included putting in new pipelines at Nevada Street, Valley View, and Gold Run; replacing a culvert under the Boardman canal; repairing nine different leaks on the treated water system; several emergency gunite projects; and repairs to Nary Red Flume legs caused by a car accident.

D. AGENDA CHANGES AND REVIEW: There were no changes to the agenda.

E. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approve August 11, 2005, minutes.
2. Receive and file Check Register 05-18 expenditures disbursed.
3. Approve budget transfers, as recommended by the Director of Financial Services. **See attached and other non-routine budget transfers that may be included as part of specific items that follow.**
4. Approve matters related to the Board of Directors as follows:
 - a. Expenses for previous months;
 - b. Anticipated expenses in excess of \$500.00: **None at this time.**
 - c. Anticipated costs of transportation, lodging, and associated fees for travel outside the State of California to be paid by the Agency.
None at this time.
5. Approve General Manager's expense reimbursement claim summary.

6. Approve quitclaim of easement and authorize Chair to sign the quitclaim document.
7. Approve application to discharge uncollectible Zone 1 accounts in the amount of \$5,163.23.

Motion by Director Lee approving Consent Calendar items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7; motion seconded by Director Ferreira and adopted by unanimous vote of directors present.

F. AGREEMENTS AND CONTRACTS:

1. Receive for filing Change Order No. One with Clayborn Contracting Group, Inc. for the Alta/Colfax Water Treatment Plant Effluent Meters Project, Contract #2005-07, in the increased contract amount of \$24,215.00 and an increase in contract time of 21 calendar days, approved by the Director of Technical Services pursuant to authority previously granted by the Board of Directors.
2. Approve Change Order No. Three with Meyer Control Corporation for the SCADA System Upgrade Project, Contract #2003-04, in the increased contract amount of \$111,960.00 and an increase in contract time of 294 calendar days.
3. Approve the following with Hudson Excavation, Inc. for the Auburn Prop. 13 Pipeline Replacements Project, Contract #2005-08:
 - a. Progress Pay Estimate No. Two in the amount of \$151,938.00;
 - b. Receive for filing Change Order No. One, reconciling the Hard Rock Removal and Disposal bid quantities for the Pleasant Avenue and Placer Street bid schedules, approved by the Director of Technical Services pursuant to authority previously granted by the Board of Directors in the net amount of zero dollars.
4. Approve the following with JMB Construction for the Val Verde/Dick Cook Pipeline Project, Contract #2002-12:
 - a. Change Order No. Eight in the increased amount of \$97,133.21;
 - b. Progress Pay Estimate No. Eleven in the amount of \$401,367.59.
5. Approve Progress Pay Estimate No. Six with Auburn Constructors, Inc. for the Auburn Water Treatment Plant Expansion, Contract #2003-06, in the amount of \$375,575.93.
6. Approve Progress Pay Estimate No. Three with Slayden Construction, Inc. for the Sunset Industrial Storage Tank and Pump Station Project, Contract #2005-01, in the amount of \$331,992.37.
7. Approve Amendment No. Two with CSI Services, Inc. for additional inspection services for the Channel Hill and Foothill Water Treatment Plant Tanks Painting Project, Contract #2004-02, in an amount not to exceed \$29,690.46.
8. Approve contract with Jones & Stokes for water quality and aquatic resource monitoring for the Ralston Afterbay Sediment Management Project in an amount not to exceed \$85,000.00.

Motion by Director Wollan approving Bids and Contracts items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8; motion seconded by Director Lee and adopted by unanimous vote of directors present.

G. WATER AVAILABILITY AND REQUESTS FOR NEW WATER SERVICE

1. Zone 1 water service;
Treated Water:
 - Facilities Agreements (FA) - 3 agreements for 21 total acre feet for 32 equivalent dwelling units (EDUs)
 - FA 2119 – Safe School Route Ph III Priority Area – 1, Rocklin
 - FA 2214 – Sunrise Assisted Living, Rocklin
 - FA 2236 – Building 3, 6301 Angelo Court, Loomis

Director of Technical Services reported on applications for 21 acre feet of treated water for Facilities Agreements and 5 acre-fee of reductions in commitment from current customers for a total net increase of 16 acre feet. Motion by Director Ferreira approving water service applications in the total amount of 21 acre feet; motion seconded by Director Lee and adopted by unanimous vote of directors present.

2. Requests for response from Agency on water availability.
 - a. SB 221 (tentative map) – **None at this time.**
 - b. SB 610 (environmental process) – **None at this time.**
 - c. All other requests - **None at this time.**

Director of Technical Services handed out the Agency's response letter to Placer County Planning Department regarding their request for an SB 610 letter for the Blueprint Alternative for the Placer Vineyards Specific Plan Blueprint project. He reported the Agency considers the County's request a planning item rather than an SB 610 letter since the Blueprint Alternative is not in the County's current General Plan. The Agency has hired Brown and Caldwell to analyze the request, which will take 2 to 6 months. The agency believes the developer should pay for the analysis because the Agency already did an analysis on the base plan. The Agency has requested the developer to pay for the analysis.

3. Facility status reports;
 - a. American River Pump Station
 - b. Sacramento River Diversion Project

General Manager reported the Agency is getting funding from the Bureau of Reclamation. Agency staff and legal counsel are reviewing the language of the draft agreement.

H. GENERAL ITEMS: There were no general items.

I. REPORTS BY DIRECTORS:

Director Wollan met with staff to discuss conceptual approaches to rate changes in Zone 3 to blend with Zone 1. He reported in his role with POWER in California Urban Water Conservation Council, he has been asked to be the Vice Convener in 2006 because of his experience with mediation and dispute resolution. He reported the Best Management Practice programs are not being implemented by agencies except earlier adopters, which include PCWA.

Director Jarvis announced Auburn's Black and White Ball would begin this weekend.

Director Lee reported on his trip to Eastern Europe and the good quality of the water there.

Director Ferreira took a group on a tour of Hell Hole, French Meadows, and the Oxbow powerhouse.

Director Roccucci attended a Regional Water Authority (RWA) meeting where Leo Winternitz discussed the water flow study. She reported PCWA is the only agency that has complied completely with the Water Forum. She also reported the RWA is going to focus on doing their own amicus brief—not one with ACWA. Separately, Mr. Winternitz didn't feel there was a conflict with the ACWA Blueprint and the Water Forum. Director Roccucci also attended a Partnership for Prosperity program hosted by Valley Vision. Good support for agriculture was shown at the meeting. At a SACOG meeting she attended the focus was more on development, with little focus on agriculture. She met with Joanne Neft and picked up information about Placer County agriculture (handouts provided).

J. REPORTS BY LEGAL COUNSEL

Legal Counsel reported their firm is watching the Clean Water Act and impact of application of pesticides in the water. She also reported she submitted a request on behalf of the Agency to ACWA on an amicus brief they are working on about moving water where NPDS permits are needed.

K. REPORTS BY GENERAL MANAGER: No report received.

L. CLOSED SESSION

With all members present, as heretofore designated, the meeting adjourned to closed session at 9:05 a.m. to consider the following:

1. **Conference with real property negotiator** – pursuant to Section 54956.8 of the Government Code.
Property: APN 054-181-007
Agency negotiators: Brian Martin, Director of Technical Services and Myra Cooper, Property Specialist
Under negotiation: Price and/or terms of payment
Negotiating parties: Thomas Rossitto and Paul Rossitto
2. **Conference with legal counsel – existing litigation** – Pursuant to Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9 of the Government Code.
Name of Case: F & H Construction, Inc. v. PCWA, et al., Placer County Superior Court Case No. S-CV-17007.
3. **Conference with labor negotiator** – Pursuant to Section 54957.6 of the Government Code
Agency Negotiators: David Breninger and Valerie Lord
Employee Organizations: All Units

M. REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

Regarding item L2 the Board took action to augment the litigation budget.

N. RECESS TO TRAVEL TO SQUAW VALLEY PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT

The Board recessed at 9:45 a.m. to drive to East Placer County.

O. RECONVENE AND CALL TO ORDER

Chair Rocucci reconvened the adjourned meeting of the Placer County Water Agency Board of Directors to order at 11:22 a.m. at the Squaw Valley Public Service District, 305 Squaw Valley Road, Olympic Valley, California. Director Wollan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Self-introductions were made by all present. Fire Chief Peter A. Bansen reported on various Squaw Valley Public Service District projects including rehabilitation of their well #1 and an update on their Aquifer Storage and Recovery project.

P. PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no public comment.

Q. GENERAL ITEMS:

1. Receive presentations and comments.

a. Tony Lashbrook: Update on land use planning in Martis Valley.

Truckee City Manager Tony Lashbrook introduced the City's new Community Development Director. Mr. Lashbrook gave a presentation on development in the Truckee area where several large projects are in planning and construction. He discussed issues in planning for public services in a community with a high and growing number of vacation homes and a permanent occupancy rate of about 50 percent. (Handouts provided)

b. Peter Holzmeister: Update on Truckee Donner Public Utility District activities.

Truckee Donner Public Utility District General Manager Peter Holzmeister described the water and power supply responsibilities of his agency which serves 12,000 customers. He said the district's commodity-based water rates are affected by high variations in seasonal occupancy and usage and the need to pump water to service elevations ranging from 5,800 to 7,500 feet.

The Board recessed at 12:15 p.m. for lunch. The reconvened at 12:57 p.m.

c. Marcia Beals: Update on Tahoe Truckee Sanitary Agency activities.

Truckee-Tahoe Sanitation Agency assistant manager Marcia Beals provided an overview of her agency's current \$70 million water reclamation plant expansion project which uses a state-of-the art biological nitrogen removal process. The sanitation agency serves a 38-square-mile area in the Truckee-Tahoe region and is seeing about 500 new connections per year.

d. Steven R. Rogers: Update on North Tahoe Public Utility District activities.

North Tahoe Public Utility District General Manager Steven Rogers gave a history of the District. He described the district's emergency response to a sewer line rupture at King's Beach and said the district is being recognized by California Special Districts Association for the public outreach during the emergency. He reported on the number of district customers and the services the district provides. They are close to hitting the boundary for peak reliable water capacity. Discussion followed about the need for a General Plan team. Larry Sevinson, part-time director for the Truckee River Planning Agency, spoke about the impacts of development. He suggested Mal Toy be part of the team.

e. John Collins: Update on Alpine Springs County Water Agency activities.

Alpine Springs County Water Agency's new General Manager John Collins described the district's service to 700 customers in the Alpine Meadows area and reported on their project to convert existing maps to a GIS system. He thanked the Agency for a grant.

- f. Jesse McGraw: Update on Squaw Valley Public Service District water resource activities.

Fire Chief Peter A. Bansen, on behalf of Mr. McGraw, reported during introductions.

2. Zone 4 water service;
Treated Water:
- Facilities Agreement (FA) - 1 agreement for 0 total acre feet for 0 equivalent dwelling units (EDUs)
 - FA 2190 – Eaglewood Subdivision Domestic Water Well, Martis Valley

Director of Technical Services reported on the application for treated water for a Facilities Agreement. Jason Hansford, representing DMV Highlands Group, expressed concern for protecting water for the Lahanton Golf Course and customers. Motion by Director Wollan approving water service application FA 2190; motion seconded by Director Ferreira and adopted by unanimous vote of directors present.

3. Review 2006 PCWA budget process.

Director of Financial Services discussed the Financial Assistant Program for the East Slope districts.

4. Report on the Zone 4 Business Center building.

Director of Technical Services reported on the designed changes for the Zone 4 Business Center. Scott Ryan with Ryan Group Architects showed renderings of conceptual design exteriors, samples of siding, and the floor plan modifications.

R. REPORTS BY DIRECTORS: No reports submitted.

S. REPORTS BY LEGAL COUNSEL: No report submitted.

T. REPORTS BY GENERAL MANAGER:

General Manager pointed out an article in the Regional Water Authority newsletter about McClellan's plan to scale back groundwater cleanup. He reported on water availability and infrastructure capacity plan linked to land use planning, the EID and SMUD settlement, the Agency/County Middle Fork Project Finance JPA, and the need for to name the new property on Ophir Road.

U. ADJOURNMENT: At 3:03 p.m. Director Lee made a motion to adjourn; motion seconded by Director Wollan and adopted by unanimous vote of directors present.

ATTEST:

Cheri Sprunck, Clerk to the Board
Placer County Water Agency