

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
WEST BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT**

DECEMBER 22, 2008

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of West Basin Municipal Water District was held on Monday, December 22, 2008 at 1:00 p.m. at 17140 S. Avalon Blvd., Suite 210, Carson, CA 90746.

President Dear called the meeting to order at 1:20 p.m. and presided thereover.

1. **DETERMINATION OF QUORUM.** The following Directors were present: Dear, Gray, Little, Smith, and Kwan. Also present was General Manager Nagel and District Counsel O'Neill.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.** Marc Serna led the pledge.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT AND PRESENTATIONS.** (Members of the public are invited to present comments to the board on matters within the District's jurisdiction but not on the agenda. The public may present comments on agenda items when the matter is called.) None.

3. **ITEMS TOO LATE TO BE AGENDIZED** (Determine the need to discuss and/or take action on item(s) introduced that came to the attention of the District subsequent to the posting of the agenda.) None.

4. **METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT ACTIVITIES UPDATE**

Director Murray gave a brief update on Metropolitan activities and apologized for not having his usual written report. Fernando Paludi provided a PowerPoint presentation on water supply, model ordinance policy and reserve policy and rates. Director Wright commented on rate increases and developing our own local water supply.

5. **UNITED WATER SERVICES UPDATE**

Pat Shields wished Directors and staff a happy and safe holidays. He also updated the Board on the United Water staffing situation and that all positions are filled and morale is at a good level. He reported that there have been no reportable accidents in the past six months. He informed the Board that on December 2, 2008 staff from West Basin, Hyperion, and United Water Services met. He indicated that initial results showed that they are using less chemicals and that iron levels are down. He stated that West Basin staff will continue to work with Hyperion. He further reported on the refinery scorecard and that overall the past six months have been very stable. He stated that Tony Harding will be at the Treatment Plant on February 4, 2009 for the 100,000 Billion Gallon Lunch.

**President Dear moved the Consent Calendar up on the agenda without objection.**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

7. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES – OCTOBER 9, 2008 (MET DIRECTORS), OCTOBER 9, 2008 (SPECIAL), OCTOBER 10, 2008 (SPECIAL), OCTOBER 15, 2008, (SPECIAL), OCTOBER 18, 2008**

(SPECIAL), OCTOBER 27, 2008 (REGULAR), NOVEMBER 12, 2008 (SPECIAL), NOVEMBER 13, 2008, (MET DIRECTORS), NOVEMBER 14, 2008, (SPECIAL), NOVEMBER 24, 2008 (REGULAR)

**8. FINANCIAL REPORT**

**A. Demands** Demand Numbers 1263, and 1264, and 33833 through 33998 (Excluding Demand No. 33847, 33872, 33885, and 33910) for a total in the amount of \$7,325,859.12 including wire transfers to MWD, Union Bank of California, and Citibank New York.

**B. Cash & Investment**

**C. Water Sales Statements**

**D. Recycled Water Revenue & Expense Summary**

Margaret reported on CDARS investments with local businesses. Mr. Gordon DeLong from East West Bank presented an update on the stability of the Bank.

**9. RECYCLED WATER CUSTOMER DEVELOPMENT PROJECT UPDATE**

**ACTION:** Upon a motion duly made by Director Little and seconded by Director Dear, the Board approved Consent Calendar Items 7-9.

**ACTION CALENDAR**

**President Dear asked for a motion to approve Action Items 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 18.**

**ACTION:** Upon a motion duly made by Director Gray and seconded by Director Smith, the Board approved Action Items 10, 12 – 15, and 18.

**10. WEST BASIN STYLE GUIDE AND BRANDING IDENTITY**

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the Board of Directors approves the new West Basin Style Guide and Branding Identity.

**12. CITY OF HAWTHORNE RETROFIT AGREEMENT**

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the Board authorizes the General Manager to:

- 1) Execute Agreement W1991 to provide a loan to the City of Hawthorne for construction of retrofit improvements at Jim Thorpe Park for the amount of \$100,000; and
- 2) Amend the Fiscal Year 2008-09 Capital Improvement Budget.

**13. OCEAN-FRIENDLY DEMONSTRATION GARDENS LANDSCAPE TEAM RECOMMENDATION**

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the Board authorizes the General Manager to enter into a four-year agreement with G3 Los Angeles to design the demonstration gardens and provide construction oversight for a total not-to-exceed contract amount of \$70,600.