

Report!



Board of Directors Summary for **December 21, 2005**

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WORK SESSION

I. General Manager's Report

(Pack)

Past Activities

- Over 250 employees and family members attended the Employees' Christmas Party on Saturday night. Everyone enjoyed themselves and you can check out the photos on the "PIPELINE".
- We met yesterday with our staff, attorneys, and RCWD staff and attorneys to discuss a potential settlement offer in the federal case on the lost financial benefits claim. Gerry and I will discuss in closed session.
- I met with San Jacinto City Manager Barry McClellan on the Warwick property, which was the house whose front yard was washed away, and shared with him all our costs. He is going to review the costs and discuss with the City staff and come back with an offer to share costs, rather than EMWD filing a claim against the City.

Future Events

- I will be meeting with the new General Manager of the OCSD tomorrow to introduce the District and discuss some of the issues on SARI, treatment costs, and emergency discharges.
- I will be taking some time off next week depending on what is happening, but I will be in the area.
- We will hit the ground running next year with a SAWPA meeting on Tuesday and a Board meeting on Wednesday, January 4. We may hold only a Work Session or an abbreviated Board meeting depending on what is on the agenda.

Items of Interest to the Board

- The State Controller's Office, Special District Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2003/04 lists EMWD as the 23rd largest special district in the State in terms of revenue and expenditures. EMWD was the largest in Riverside County by a large margin. This listing includes all types of special districts, not just utility districts. No new listing on recycled water use has been collected since 2001, so we have no change on that. We can still list ourselves as the fourth largest user in the state.
- Our microturbine project will be presented at the DOE Microturbine Applications Seminar in San Francisco in mid January and we are also the centerfold in the Capstone annual calendar.

- The proposed composting facility being developed by Inland Empire Utilities Agency has been discontinued due to withdrawal of LASD and opposition from the City of Chino Hills. The remaining funds will be returned to the agencies that contributed to the funding of the feasibility study. A new site may be considered at the Western Regional Treatment Facility using dryer technology. EMWD has no desire to participate in this type of a project based on our own commitments to dryer use at Perris.
- We committed to the \$30,000 funding for the desalination episode for the Huel Howser series on California Water. We will be invoiced by ACWA.
- Gerry Shoaf will be discussing the proposed amendments to the Water Code dealing with the rights to recycled water after the AGMs' updates.
- As one initiative of our Baldrige/Cape process, we monitor customer satisfaction on an ongoing basis through a survey on our website and point of contact cards in the lobbies and by contact with the field personnel. We compile the numbers and respond to the verbal comments on a monthly basis and roll the numbers into our Performance Dashboard. Eventually we will provide the entire survey results on the PIPELINE for all employees to see.

Operational Highlights

- We had a number of wildfowl deaths at the San Jacinto Wetlands recently. Because of the Avian Flu scare we had a number of carcasses tested and determined they died from Avian Botulism, which is fairly common in large gatherings of birds.
- You can see that our mode of recycled water discharges at Temecula Wash is becoming a year-round event. This condition may be the norm for the next several years, until some of our larger recycled water projects get on line.
- Several weeks ago, Steve Temple from the City of Hemet asked if we could have staff meet with City staff to develop a procedure to notify City agencies in the event of a sewer spill or other interruptions. Jayne Joy headed our team and we have modified our procedures to ensure that the requested notifications take place. In return, the City has offered assistance in traffic control and site security. We will extend these procedures on an individual basis to the other cities in our service area.

Upcoming Meetings

- We will host the next pre-MWD Board meeting of the Southern Coalition on Friday, January 6.
- Rosemarie has mailed a notice to all the Board members for a National Water Resources Association meeting on Endangered Species Act in Phoenix on January 5. The deadline for registration is today.

Organizational and Administrative Changes

- We will be hiring or promoting three water treatment operators shortly to begin training at our existing water treatment plant and the desalters in order to staff the new Hemet Treatment Plant with some of our more experienced operators. The new operators should be on site by April to conduct start up procedures.
- I will be forwarding summaries of all our employee meetings at MWD to keep Director Record as well as everyone else in the loop.

II. Matters Which Will Require Board Action

(Pack)

**Bachmann-
Item No.
VIII.C.**

- A. Review of December 7, 2005 Agenda Items (*If Needed*)

III. Presentations To EMWD (Guest Speakers)

- A. SWAP Policy (*30 minutes*)

(Fieldman, Rolapp & Associates)

IV. Response Items / Status Reports / Information Items

- A. MWD Update (*10 minutes*)
B. SAWPA Update (*10 minutes*)
C. Strategic Plan Review (*30 minutes*)
D. November Financial Report (*15 minutes*)

(Harrison)

(Slawson/Sullivan/Pack)

(Pack)

(Rathbone)

V. Closed Session

**Not
discussed**

- A. Re: Soboba Indian Water Rights Claim
Government Code Section 54956.9
Conference with Legal Counsel
One Potential Litigation Case

**Not
discussed**

- B. Re: Camp Pendleton Four-Party Agreement Claim
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Conference with Legal Counsel
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- C. Re: San Jacinto Sewer Negotiations
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- D. Re: Aguilera vs. JWS Associates and EMWD
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- E. Re: Makwinski vs. EMWD
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Adjournment

(Slawson)

BOARD MEETING

I. Recognitions (Slawson, C.I. Officer)

- A. Service Awards **Bob Palmer, 15 years**

II. Public Hearing

R-4379

- A. **Adopt Proposed Resolution No. 4379**, Approving and Adopting the 2005 Urban Water Management Plan for Eastern Municipal Water District

III. Discussions and/or Comments by Board Members

- A. Directors' Activity Report

IV. Approval of Minutes

M-404/05

- A. Regular Meeting of December 7, 2005
 - 1. **Consider Adoption of Minute Order**

Receive & File

V. Board Committee Reports

- A. Operations & Engineering (*December 12*)
- B. Administrative (*December 12*)
- C. Executive (*December 19*)
- D. Planning (*December 19*)

Cancelled

Deferred

VI. Letter of Correspondence to the Board of Directors

Cheryl Estrada

VII. Consent Calendar

Consent Calendar items are expected to be routine and non-controversial, to be acted upon by the Board of Directors at one time without discussion. If any Board member, Staff member, or interested person requests that an item be removed from the Consent Calendar, it will be removed so that it may be acted upon separately.

M-405/05

- A. Approve and Authorize a One-Year Extension of Agreement No. 31447 with CTAI Pacific Greenscape, Inc.

M-406/05

- B. Approve and Authorize the Regional Water Reclamation Facility (RWRF) Effluent Chlorination Study

M-407/05

- C. Approve and Authorize Additional Funding for Agreement No. 42518 with Scorpion Backhoe, Inc., and Agreement No. 42521 with CJW General for Earthwork and Related Services

M-408/05

- D. Approve and Authorize a Project for Cubicle Reconfiguration and the Addition of Conference Rooms

M-409/05

- E. Approve and Authorize an Engineering Services Agreement with Krieger & Stewart, Incorporated, for the Perris Valley Channel Improvement

M-410/05

- F. Declaration of Excess Land, Palomar Booster Station APN 376-060-021

**M-412/05
Voted on
separately after
Item No. VII.H.**

- G. Approve and Authorize Annual Agreements for Various Professional/Specialized Services

Annexations

H. Annexation of Parcel No. 19-05-5 to Improvement District No. 19 (Distinguished Homes, Inc. - Tract 31089)

M-411/05

1. **Consider Adoption of Minute Order**, Approving the Map and Legal Description for Parcel Nos. 19-05-5 and Order Such Map and Legal Description Filed With the Secretary; and

R-4376

2. **Adopt Proposed Resolution No. 4376**, Annexing Parcel No. 19-05-5 to Improvement District No. 19 of EMWD

Receive & File

I. **Reports for the Month of November, 2005**

The back up materials and/or reports indicated () are on file with the Secretary of the District and will be made available for inspection, upon request, by any person or persons interested.*

1. Employee Reimbursement Reporting Specific Charges Greater Than \$100
2. District Staffing Status Report by Classification
3. EMWD Claims
4. Special Funding Districts Status Report
5. Water Supply Conditions
- * 6. Change Orders to Specifications Issued
- * 7. Treasurer's Report for the month of November, 2005
- * 8. Post Audit of Checks for the month of November, 2005

(End of Consent Calendar)

VIII. Letters From the General Manager

M-413/05

A. Reject Claim Against the District from Fallbrook Public Utility District
1. **Consider Adoption of Minute Order**

M-414/05

B. Approve and Authorize a Supplemental Sewer Connection Fee to Cover Extraordinary Costs for Special Benefit Area in North San Jacinto
1. **Consider Adoption of Minute Order**

M-415/05

C. Approve and Authorize Execution of a Purchase Contract with Zenon Environmental, Inc., for Replacement Membranes at the Perris Water Filtration Plant
1. **Consider Adoption of Minute Order**

M-416/05

D. Approve and Authorize Amendment No. 5 to the Agreement with Psomas, Inc., for Additional Engineering Design Services on the Hemet/San Jacinto Integrated Recharge and Recovery Project
1. **Consider Adoption of Minute Order**

R-4377

E. **Adopt Proposed Resolution No. 4377**, Approving a Joint Community Facilities Agreement with the City of Murrieta and SCC/Murrieta Valley, LLC, for Community Facilities District No. 2005-5 of the City of Murrieta

R-4378

F. **Adopt Proposed Resolution No. 4378**, Approving a Joint Community Facilities Agreement with the Hemet Unified School District and LBREP/L-SunCal McSweeny Farms, LLC, for Community Facilities District No. 2005-3 of the Hemet Unified School District

R-1613.12

- G. **Adopt Proposed Resolution No. 1613.12**, Appointing and/or Reappointing Trustees to Represent the District on the Board of Trustees for the Eastern Municipal Water District (EMWD) Security Trust Fund

IX. Closed Session

Not discussed

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Legal Counsel provided update on U.S. vs. EMWD lawsuit and discussed settlement

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M-417/05

ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned the meeting to Wednesday, January 4, 2006, 9:00 a.m.

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