

County of Monterey

*Board of Supervisors Chambers
168 W. Alisal St 1st Flr,
Salinas, CA 93901*



Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 18, 2024

12:00 PM

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NOTE: All agenda titles related to numbered agenda items are live web links. Click on the title to be directed to corresponding Board Report.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Members of the public may address comments to the Board concerning each agenda item. The timing of public comment shall be at the discretion of the Chair.

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Call to Order at 12:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Mike LeBarre, Matt Simis, Mark Gonzalez, Deidre Sullivan, Ken Ekelund, Mike Scattini, Jason Smith (arrived at 12:01 p.m), John Baillie, Marvin Borzini.

Absent: None

Public Comments on Closed Session Items

None.

1. Closed Session under Government Code section 54950, relating to the following items:
 - a. Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2) and (d)(4), the Board will confer with legal counsel regarding one matters of significant exposure to litigation and the potential initiation of litigation.
 - b. Pursuant to Government Code section 54957(b)(1), the Board will provide a performance evaluation for the General Manager.

Note: Continuance of Closed Session to be held at the conclusion of the Board's Regular Agenda, or at any other time during the course of the meeting announced by the Chairperson of the Board. The public may comment on Closed Session items prior to the Board's recess to Closed Session.

Recess to Closed Session

Reconvene Meeting at 1:00 P.M.

The meeting reconvened at 1:03 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS BY CLERK: The Clerk of the Board will announce agenda corrections and proposed additions, which may acted on by the Board as provided in Sections 54954.2 of the California Government Code.

Public Comment

None.

Presentations

Board of Directors Comments: Mike LeBarre

Public Comments: None

2. Update on the Groundwater Monitoring Program and Extraction Reporting Timelines. (Staff Presenting: Amy Woodrow)

Consent Calendar

Upon Motion by Director Mark Gonzalez and Second by Ken Ekelund the Board approved the Consent Calendar.

Consent Item #8 was pulled for discussion by Director Ken Ekelund.

Ayes: Mike Lebarre, Matt Simis, Mark Gonzalez, Deidre Sullivan, Ken Ekelund, Mike Scattini, Jason Smith John Baille, Marvin Borzini.

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstained: None

Recused: None

3. Approve the Action Minutes of October 21, 2024.

Attachments: [Draft BOD Minutes October 21, 2024](#)

4. Approve Amendment No. 1 to the Service Agreement with Industrial Machine Shop for a dollar increase of \$150,000 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$400,000; and authorize the General Manager to execute Amendment No. 1.
(Staff: Pete Vannerus)

Attachments: [Board Report](#)
[Original Contract](#)
[Amendment No. 1](#)
[Board Order](#)

5. Approve Amendment No. 2 to the Agreement for Services with JDI Electrical Services, Inc., by increasing the dollar amount by \$50,000 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$150,000 to provide electrical maintenance and repair services for the Nacimiento Dam Hydroelectric Power Plant; and authorize the General Manager to execute Amendment No. 2. (Staff: Manuel Saavedra)

Attachments: [Board Report](#)
[Agreement for Services with JDI Electrical Services, Inc.](#)
[Amendment No. 1 to Agreement for Services](#)
[Amendment No. 2 to Agreement for Services](#)
[Board Order](#)

6. Approve Amendment No. 1 to the agreement with Pilot Sandblasting & Coating, Inc. for blasting and coating services for the Recycled Water Projects, to extend the term length to July 31st 2027, and increase the dollar amount by \$150,000 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$240,000; and authorize the General Manager to execute the Amendment. (Staff: Pete Vannerus)

Attachments: [Board Report](#)
[Original Contract](#)
[Amendment No. 1](#)
[Board Order](#)

7. Approve Amendment No. 2 to the Services Agreement with the Pajaro Regional Flood Management Agency for Maintenance and Repair Activities of the Pajaro River Federal Flood Control Project (“Project”) to extend the term to June 30, 2025; and authorize the General Manager to execute the amendment.

(Staff: Shaunna Murray)

Attachments: [Board Report](#)
[Service Agreement](#)
[Amendment No. 1](#)
[Amendment No. 2](#)
[Board Order](#)

8. Approve Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement for Services with Salinas Valley Barb Wire to increase the dollar amount by \$325,000 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$425,000 for maintaining fencing and gate infrastructure on Agency owned parcels around Nacimiento and San Antonio Reservoirs; and authorize the General Manager to execute the amendment. (Staff: Mallory Roberts)

Attachments: [Board Report](#)
 [Original Agreement for Services](#)
 [Amendment No. 1](#)
 [Board Order](#)

Upon Motion by Director Ken Ekelund and Second by Mark Gonzalez the Board approved the Consent Item #8.

Ayes: Mike Lebarre, Matt Simis, Mark Gonzalez, Deidre Sullivan, Ken Ekelund, Mike Scattini, Jason Smith John Baille, Marvin Borzini.

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstained: None

Recused: None

Board of Directors Comments: John Baillie, Ken Ekelund.

Public Comments: None

Action Items

Upon Motion by Director John Baillie and Second by Marvin Borzini the Board received an update on the implementation of the Interim Operations Plan for San Antonio and Nacimiento Reservoirs; and

b. Provide direction to staff as appropriate.

Ayes: Mike LeBarre, Matt Simis, Mark Gonzalez, Deidre Sullivan, Ken Ekelund, Mike Scattini, Jason Smith, John Baillie, Marvin Borzini.

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstained: None

Director Comments: Mike Scattini, Ken Ekelund, Deidre Sullivan, John Baillie

Public Comments: None

9. a. Consider receiving an update on the implementation of the Interim Operations Plan for San Antonio and Nacimiento Reservoirs; and
b. Provide direction to staff as appropriate. (Staff Presenting: Peter Kwiek)

Attachments: [Board Report](#)
 [Board Order](#)

Key Information and Calendar of Events

Calendar update for December 2024 Personnel and Administration committee meeting cancellation.

10. November, December 2024 and January 2025 Calendars.

Attachments: [November 2024](#)
 [December 2024](#)
 [January 2025](#)

General Manager's Report

Board of Directors Comments: Mike LeBarre, John Baillie, Marvin Borzini, Mike Scattini.
Public Comments: None.

11. · Personnel
 · Dam Safety Funding
 · Castroville Seawater Intrusion Project, Growers Workshop
 · MPWMD Proposed Allocation of Pure Water Monterey Expansion Water
 · Legislative Update
 · Other

Attachments: [2024-11-18 -MEMO WRA GM to BOD RE SanAn LLOW Grant App](#)
 [LTR - Senator Laird to DWR RE Support for WRA's Dam Safety Projects Grant](#)
 [Application](#)
 [2024-10-30 - CSIP Program Growers' Workshop Presentation - FINAL](#)
 [LTR - Coalition to Representative Schrier RE Support of WIFIA Amendments](#)

Committee Reports

12. Committee Agenda's and Cancellation Notices for October and November 2024:
- Water Resources Agency Reservoir Operations Advisory Committee
 - Water Resources Agency Basin Management Advisory Committee
 - Water Resources Agency Planning Committee Cancellation Notice
 - Water Resources Personnel and Administration Committee
 - Water Resources Agency Finance Committee

Attachments: [Final ResOps Agenda October 24, 2024](#)
 [Final BMAC Agenda November 6, 2024](#)
 [Planning Nov. Cancellation Notice](#)
 [Final P&A Agenda November 8, 2024](#)
 [Final Finance Agenda Nov. 8, 2024](#)

Information Items

13. 2024 Salinas River Discharge Measurement Series. (Staff: Amy Woodrow)

Attachments: [Salinas River Series 2024](#)

14. Nacimiento Dam Hydroelectric Power Plant Unit 2 Repair Update.
(Staff Manuel Saavedra)

Attachments: [Nacimiento Dam Hydroelectric Unit 2 Repair PPT](#)

15. Salinas Valley Water Conditions Fourth Quarter of Water Year 2023-2024.
(Staff: Amy Woodrow)

Attachments: [QuarterlyRpt 4thQtr WY24](#)

16. Reservoir Storage and Release Update. (Staff: Peter Kwiek)

Attachments: [Reservoir Storage Release Update Report](#)

Board of Directors Comments

Ken Ekelund, Mark Gonzalez

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:42 p.m.