

Monterey County

*Monterey County Government Center
Board of Supervisors Chambers
168 W. Alisal St., 1st Floor
Salinas, CA 93901*



Action Minutes - Final

Monday, April 15, 2019

12:00 PM

Water Resources Agency Board of Directors

Call to Order at 12:00 P.M.

Directors Simis and Scattini were absent for Roll Call but were present for Closed Session.

Present 7 - Director Richard Ortiz, Director Ken Ekelund, Director Mark Gonzalez, Director Mike LeBarre, Director Deidre Sullivan, Director John Baillie, and Director Jason Smith

Absent 2 - Director Mike Scattini, and Director Matthew Simis

Public Comments on Closed Session Items

None

1. Closed Session under Government Code section 54950, relating to the following item:
 - a. Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(1), the Board will confer with legal counsel regarding existing litigation:
 1. Salinas Valley Water Coalition v. Monterey County Water Resources Agency, Board of Supervisors of Monterey County, et al. (Monterey County Superior Court case no. 17CV000157)
 2. Nacimiento Regional Water Management Advisory Committee v. Monterey County Water Resources Agency, Board of Supervisors of Monterey County Water Resources, et al. (San Luis Obispo County Superior Court case no. 19CVP-0010)
 - b. Pursuant to Government Code section 54957(b)(1), the Board of Directors will confer regarding recruitment for the position of General Manager for the Water Resources Agency.

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.

County Counsel reported that there were no reportable actions taken in Closed Session.

Present 9 - Director Richard Ortiz, Director Ken Ekelund, Director Mark Gonzalez,
Director Mike Scattini, Director Mike LeBarre, Director Deidre Sullivan,
Director John Baillie, Director Jason Smith, and Director Matthew Simis

Absent 0

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment

Norm Groot

Consent Calendar

Agenda Item No. 4 was pulled by Director Smith for further discussion.

2. Approve the Action Minutes of March 18, 2019

Attachments: [Draft Action Minutes March 18, 2019](#)

Upon Motion by Director Baillie and Second by Director Ekelund, the Directors
approved the Action Minutes of March 18, 2019

Ayes: Directors Gonzales, Ekelund, Ortiz, Scattini, Baillie, Smith and Simis
Noes: None
Abstain: Directors Sullivan and LeBarre
Absent: None

3. Authorize the Interim General Manager to grant a private roadway easement
resulting in legal access to a parcel near Nacimiento Reservoir owned by James E.
and Betty C. Eyraud Family Living Trust and the Hendricks Revocable Living Trust.

Attachments: [Board Report](#)
[Board Order](#)
[Draft Eyraud Easement](#)

Upon Motion by Director Ekelund and Second by Director Sullivan the Board of
Directors authorized the Interim General Manager to grant a private roadway
easement resulting in legal access to a parcel near Nacimiento Reservoir
owned by James E. and Betty C. Eyraud Family Living Trust and the Hendricks
Revocable Living Trust.

Ayes: Directors Gonzalez, Sullivan, Ekelund, Ortiz, Scattini, LeBarre, Baillie,
Smith and Simis
Noes: None
Absent: None

4. Authorize the Chair of the Board of Directors to sign a letter supporting the Water
Resources Agency's request for \$17 million for a fish screen at the Interlake Tunnel.

Attachments: [Board Report](#)
 [Draft Budget Request Letter re ILT](#)
 [Board Order](#)

Upon Motion by Director Smith and Second by Director Baillie, the Board of Directors authorized the Chair of the Board of Directors to sign a letter supporting the Water Resources Agency request for \$17 million for a fish screen at the Interlake Tunnel.

Ayes: Directors Gonzalez, Sullivan, Ekelund, Ortiz, Scattini, LeBarre, Baillie, Smith and Simis

Noes: None

Absent: None

Public Comment: Christopher Bunn

Scheduled Items

5. Consider recommending that the Monterey County Water Resources Agency Board of Supervisors:
- a. Approve and adopt a FY 2019-20 cost of living adjustment (COLA) increase of 3.5% for Zones 2B, 2Y and 2Z for the Castroville Seawater Intrusion Project (CSIP) and the Salinas Valley Reclamation Project (SVRP);
 - b. Approve and adopt a FY 2019-20 COLA increase of 3.5% for the CSIP water delivery charge and water service charge;
 - c. Set and hold a public hearing on June 4, 2019 at 1:30 p.m. to consider adopting assessment rate charges; and
 - d. Direct the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to publish a hearing notice at least ten days prior to the date set for the hearing.

Attachments: [Board Report](#)
 [Public Hearing Notice Zones 2BYZ](#)
 [Board Order](#)
 [Resolution](#)

Upon Motion by Director Baillie and Second by Director LeBarre the Board of Directors recommended that the Monterey County Water Resources Agency Board of Supervisors:

- a. Approve and adopt a FY 2019-20 cost of living adjustment (COLA) increase of 3.5% for Zones 2B, 2Y and 2Z for the Castroville Seawater Intrusion Project (CSIP) and the Salinas Valley Reclamation Project (SVRP);
- b. Approve and adopt a FY 2019-20 COLA increase of 3.5% for the CSIP water delivery charge and water service charge;
- c. Set and hold a public hearing on June 4, 2019 at 1:30 p.m. to consider adopting assessment rate charges; and
- d. Direct the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to publish a hearing notice at least ten days prior to the date set for the hearing.

Ayes: Directors Gonzalez, Sullivan, Ekelund, Ortiz, Scattini, LeBarre, Baillie, Smith and Simis
Noes: None
Absent: None

6. Consider recommending that the Monterey County Water Resources Agency Board of Supervisors:
- Approve and adopt a FY 2019-20 cost of living adjustment (COLA) increase of 3.5% for Zone 2C Operations and Maintenance of Nacimiento and San Antonio Dams, and Administration; and
 - Set and hold a public hearing on June 4, 2019 at 1:30 PM to consider adopting assessment rate charges; and
 - Direct the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to publish a hearing notice at least ten days prior to the date set for the hearing.

Attachments: [Board Report](#)
 [Public Hearing Notice Zone 2C](#)
 [Board Order](#)
 [Resolution](#)

Upon Motion by Director Baillie and Second by Director Smith, the Board of Directors recommended that the Monterey County Water Resources Agency Board of Supervisors:

- Approve and adopt a FY 2019-20 cost of living adjustment (COLA) increase of 3.5% for Zone 2C Operations and Maintenance of Nacimiento and San Antonio Dams, and Administration; and**
- Set and hold a public hearing on June 4, 2019 at 1:30 PM to consider adopting assessment rate charges; and**
- Direct the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to publish a hearing notice at least ten days prior to the date set for the hearing.**

Ayes: Directors Gonzalez, Sullivan, Ekelund, Ortiz, Scattini, LeBarre, Baillie, Smith and Simis
Noes: None
Absent: None

7. Consider recommending that the Monterey County Water Resources Agency Board of Supervisors:
- Approve and adopt a FY 2019-20 cost of living adjustment (COLA) increase of 3.5% for Flood Zones 1, 1A, 8, 9, 12, and 17;
 - Set and hold a public hearing on June 4, 2019 at 1:30 PM to consider adopting assessment rate charges;
 - Direct the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to publish a hearing notice at least ten days prior to the date set for the hearing.

Attachments: [Board Report](#)
 [Public Hearing Notice Flood Zones 1](#)
 [Public Hearing Notice Flood Zones 1A](#)
 [Public Hearing Notice Flood Zones 8](#)
 [Public Hearing Notice Flood Zones 9](#)
 [Public Hearing Notice Flood Zones 12](#)
 [Public Hearing Notice Flood Zones 17](#)
 [Board Order](#)
 [Resolution Flood Zones 1&1A](#)
 [Resolution Flood Zones 8,9&12](#)
 [Resolution Flood Zones 17](#)

Upon Motion by Director Smith and Second by Director LeBarre, the Board of Directors recommended that the Monterey County Water Resources Agency Board of Supervisors:

- a. Approve and adopt a FY 2019-20 cost of living adjustment (COLA) increase of 3.5% for Flood Zones 1, 1A, 8, 9, 12, and 17;
- b. Set and hold a public hearing on June 4, 2019 at 1:30 PM to consider adopting assessment rate charges;
- c. Direct the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to publish a hearing notice at least ten days prior to the date set for the hearing.

Ayes: Directors Gonzalez, Sullivan, Ekelund, Ortiz, Scattini, LeBarre, Baillie, Smith and Simis

Noes: None

Absent: None

Public Comment: Norm Groot

8. Consider adopting a release schedule for Nacimiento and San Antonio reservoirs for 2019

Attachments: [Board Report](#)
 [Board Order](#)
 [Reservoir Release Schedule](#)

Upon Motion by Director LeBarre and Second by Director Baillie, the Board of Directors adopted a release schedule for Nacimiento and San Antonio reservoirs for 2019.

Ayes: Directors Gonzalez, Sullivan, Ekelund, Ortiz, Scattini, LeBarre, Baillie, Smith and Simis

Noes: None

Absent: None

Key Information and Calendar of Events

General Manager's Report

Public Comment: Norm Groot

- 9.
- Salinas Valley Water Project
 - Senior Engineer-Operations
 - Inter Lake Tunnel Project Update and Talking Points
 - Budget for 2019/2020
 - Arundo Removal Grant

Committee Reports

The Reservoir Operations Advisory Committee reported that they reviewed the Reservoirs release schedule.

Information Items

- 10.
- Information Items:
1. Reservoir Release Update
 2. Well Permit Application Activities Update
 3. Report on Salinas Valley Water Conditions for the Second Quarter of Water Year 2018-2019
- Attachments:** [Reservoir Release Update](#)
 [Well Permit Application Activities Update](#)
 [Quarterly Report](#)

Board of Directors Comments

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:17 p.m.