# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT OF ORANGE COUNTY January 15, 2020

At 8:30 a.m., President Tamaribuchi called to order the Regular Meeting of the Municipal Water District of Orange County in the Board Room at the District facilities located in Fountain Valley. Director McVicker led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Secretary Goldsby called the roll.

### MWDOC DIRECTORS

Brett R. Barbre
Larry Dick
Joan Finnegan
Bob McVicker
Sat Tamaribuchi
Jeffery M. Thomas
Megan Yoo Schneider

### **STAFF**

Robert Hunter, General Manager Karl Seckel, Assistant General Manager Joe Byrne, Legal Counsel Maribeth Goldsby, Board Secretary Cathy Harris, Admin. Services Manager

Damon Micalizzi, Director of Public Affairs

Harvey De La Torre, Associate General Manager Melissa Baum-Haley, Prin. Water Resources Analyst

Heather Baez, Government Affairs Manager Chris Lingad, Water Resources Analyst Joe Berg, Dir. of Water Use Efficiency Tiffany Baca, Public Affairs Manager Sarah Wilson, Public Affairs Specialist

Vicki Osborn, Director of Emergency Management

### **ALSO PRESENT**

Linda Ackerman MWDOC/MET Director
Larry McKenney MWDOC/MET Director
Peer Swan Irvine Ranch Water District

Jim AtkinsonMesa WaterJim FislerMesa Water

Justin McCuskerSanta Margarita Water DistrictDennis ErdmanSouth Coast Water DistrictRick ShintakuSouth Coast Water DistrictFernando PaludiTrabuco Canyon Water District

Mike Elliott Citizens Infrastructure Advisory Board, H.B.

### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION/PUBLIC COMMENT

President Tamaribuchi announced members of the public wishing to comment on agenda items could do so after the item has been discussed by the Board and requested members of the public identify themselves when called on. Mr. Tamaribuchi asked whether there were any comments on other items which would be heard at this time.

No comments were received.

### ITEMS RECEIVED TOO LATE TO BE AGENDIZED

No items were received.

### ITEMS DISTRIBUTED TO THE BOARD LESS THAN 72 HOURS PRIOR TO MEETING

President Tamaribuchi inquired as to whether there were any items distributed to the Board less than 72 hours prior to the meeting.

No items were distributed.

### **EMPLOYEE INTRODUCTION**

General Manager Hunter introduced new employee, Vicki Osborne (Director of Emergency Management) to the Board.

### **BOARD ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

President Tamaribuchi presented Director Barbre with a plaque to thank him for his service as President of the Board for two years.

### CONSENT CALENDAR

President Tamaribuchi stated all matters under the Consent Calendar would be approved by one MOTION unless a Director wished to consider an item separately.

Director Barbre pulled Item 3(b) (MWDOC Disbursement Register) from the Consent Calendar for further discussion.

Upon MOTION by Director Barbre, seconded by Finnegan, and carried (7-0), the Board approved the balance of Consent Calendar items as follows. Directors Barbre, Dick, Finnegan, McVicker, Yoo Schneider, Tamaribuchi, and Thomas and voted in favor.

### **MINUTES**

The following minutes were approved.

December 4, 2019 Workshop Board Meeting December 18, 2019 Regular Board Meeting

#### COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS

The following Committee Meeting reports were received and filed as presented.

Planning & Operations Committee Meeting: December 2, 2019 Administration & Finance Committee Meeting: December 11, 2019 Public Affairs & Legislation Committee Meeting: December 16, 2019 Minutes January 15, 2020

Executive Committee Meeting: December 19, 2019

### TREASURER'S REPORTS

The following items were ratified and approved as presented.

MWDOC Revenue/Cash Receipt Register as of November 30, 2019

The following items were received and filed as presented.

MWDOC Summary of Cash and Investment and Portfolio Master Summary Report (Cash and Investment report) as of November 30, 2019

PARS Monthly Statement (OPEB Trust)

Water Use Efficiency Projects Cash Flow

### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

The following items were received and filed as presented.

Combined Financial Statements and Budget Comparative for the period ending November 30, 2019

# APPROVE REVISIONS TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE SECTION 1307 AND THE GENERAL MANAGER'S PERFORMANCE EVALUATION GUIDELINES

The Board approved the proposed revisions to the Administrative Code Section 1307 and to the General Manager's Performance Evaluation Guidelines, as presented.

### - END CONSENT CALENDAR -

### ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR

# MWDOC Disbursement Registers (December/January)

Director Barbre highlighted several airline fares on Southwest to Sacramento, noting the fare seemed high. Staff was asked to investigate these fares and report back to the Board.

Upon MOTION by Director Barbre, seconded by Director McVicker, and carried (7-0), the Board ratified the Disbursement Registers for December and January. Directors Barbre, Dick, Finnegan, McVicker, Yoo Schneider, Tamaribuchi, and Thomas and voted in favor.

### **ACTION CALENDAR**

STANDING COMMITTEE AND AD HOC COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS FOR 2020; SCHEDULE OF COMMITTEE MEETING DATES FOR 2020

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Upon MOTION by Finnegan, seconded by Director Yoo Schneider, and carried (7-0) the Board ratified the list of Standing Committee appointments as presented by the Board; and ratified the Committee/Board meeting dates/times for 2020. Directors Barbre, Dick, Finnegan, McVicker, Yoo Schneider, Tamaribuchi, and Thomas and voted in favor.

### **ASSOCIATION AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS FOR 2020**

Upon MOTION by Director Barbre, seconded by Director Yoo Schneider, and carried (7-0), the Board ratified the appointment of Representatives and Alternates to Associations as presented by the President of the Board, and adopted RESOLUTION NO. 2092 approving the appointment of Jeffery Thomas as Representative, and Karl Seckel as Alternate to the Santiago Aqueduct Commission. Said RESOLUTION NO. 2092 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Directors Barbre, Dick, Finnegan, McVicker, Yoo Schneider, Tamaribuchi &

**Thomas** 

NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

### INFORMATION CALENDAR

## **GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT, JANUARY 2020**

General Manager Hunter advised that the General Manager's report was included in the Board packet.

Mr. Hunter advised that MWDOC would host the Water Policy Dinner on February 12, 2020 at the Avenue of the Arts Hotel, and that Jeff Kightlinger (MET) would be the featured speaker. Director Tamaribuchi suggested it would be prudent for MWDOC's member agencies to invite elected officials within their respective service areas.

The Board received and filed the report as presented.

### MWDOC GENERAL INFORMATION ITEMS

### a. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board members each reported on their attendance at the regular (and special) MWDOC Board and Committee meetings. In addition to these meetings, the following reports were made on conferences and meetings attended on behalf of the District.

Director Barbre reported on his attendance at the following meetings in his capacity as MET Director: a meeting with Brad Hiltscher, the MWDOC/MET Director delegation caucus (early), legislative meetings with Congressmen McCarthy, Calvert, Nunes, and McClintock, the MET Committees (early), and the MET Board meeting. In his capacity as MWDOC Director he attended the following meetings: a meeting with Jim Barker and Ryan Leavitt, the

MWDOC/OCWD/YLWD joint meeting, a radio interview on the Larry Marino show, along with legislative meetings with Congressmen Calvert and Correa along with working on the upcoming legislative luncheon in Washington, DC, as well as various meetings with lobbyists for MWDOC, Inland Empire Utilities Agency, Western Municipal Water District, and Eastern Municipal Water District.

Director Dick reported he attended Planning & Operations, Administration & Finance, and Executive Committee meetings, the Workshop Board meeting, the MWDOC/MET Directors meeting, the MET Board and Committee meetings, the WACO and WACO Executive Committee meeting, the MET Caucus, and a Serrano Water District meeting.

Director Finnegan noted that she attended the Planning & Operations, Administration & Finance, and Public Affairs & Legislation Committee meetings, as well as the ISDOC Executive Committee meeting. She advised that the ISDOC luncheon would be held January 30<sup>th</sup> and encouraged all to attend.

Director McVicker reported that he attended the Planning & Operations, Administration & Finance, Public Affairs & Legislation, and Executive Committee meetings, the Workshop Board meeting, the WACO meeting, a meeting with Heather Baez and Tyler Diep, as well as the MET Committee meetings (via web). He noted that he would be meeting with Assemblyman Tyler Diep later in the week.

Director Thomas stated that he attended Planning & Operations and Administration & Finance Committee meetings, and the OC Water Summit Planning meeting(s).

Director Yoo Schneider advised that she attended the Planning & Operations, Public Affairs & Legislation, and Executive Committee meetings, as well as the Workshop Board meeting, and a meeting with Director Tamaribuchi.

Director Tamaribuchi reported on attending the regularly scheduled MWDOC meetings (Planning & Operations, Administration & Finance, Public Affairs & Legislation, and Executive Committee meetings, as well as the Workshop and Regular Board meetings), as well as the El Toro Water District Board meeting, the MET Caucus, and a meeting with Director Yoo Schneider.

### b. REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS

No requests were made.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Tamaribuchi adjourned the meeting at 8:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Minutes

January 15, 2020

Maribeth Goldsby, Secretary