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David D. Boyer

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**Wednesday, June 9, 2021, 12:00 P.M.**  
**Board Room, UWCD Headquarters**  
**1701 N. Lombard Street, Oxnard CA 93030**

Meeting was held in person at UWCD's Boardroom and virtually via WebEx

**Board Members Present**

Michael W. Mobley, President  
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Mohammed A. Hasan  
Lynn E. Maulhardt  
Edwin T. McFadden, III  
Daniel C. Naumann

**Staff Present**

Mauricio E. Guardado, Jr., general manager  
David D. Boyer, legal counsel  
Dr. Maryam Bral, chief engineer  
John Carman, operations and maintenance program supervisor (virtual participation)  
Brian Collins, chief operations officer  
Dan Detmer, supervising hydrogeologist  
Anthony Emmert, assistant general manager  
Erin Gorospe, controller  
Dr. Zachary Hanson, hydrogeologist  
Joseph Jereb, chief financial officer  
Kathleen Kuepper, hydrogeologist  
John Lindquist, senior hydrogeologist  
Craig Morgan, senior engineer  
Josh Perez, human resources manager  
Zachary Plummer, IT administrator  
Linda Purpus, environmental services manager  
Robert Richardson, senior engineer  
Kris Sofley, executive assistant/clerk of the board  
Dr. Bram Sercu, senior hydrologist  
Clayton Strahan, chief park ranger  
Dr. Jason Sun, senior hydrogeologist/modeler  
Kurt White, park ranger

**Public Present**

Frank Bromenschenkel, Frank B & Associates  
Nancy Broschart, City of Oxnard  
Jason Canger  
Sarah Fleury

John Farnkoph, HF&H  
Autumn Glaser  
Burt Handy  
Miles Hogan, City of San Buenavntura  
Pat Kelley  
Abraham Maldonado, City of Oxnard  
Rick Simonson, HF&H  
Jennifer Tribo, Ventura Water  
Brian Wheeler, AALRR

**1. FIRST OPEN SESSION 12:02 P.M.**

President Mobley called the meeting to order at 12:02p.m.

**1.1 Public Comments  
Information Item**

President Mobley asked if there were any public comments. None were offered.

President Mobley asked District's Legal Counsel David Boyer to announce what the Board would be discussing in Executive (Closed) Session today.

**1.2 EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION 12:05 P.M.**

Mr. Boyer stated that the Board, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2), would discuss one case of anticipated litigation, and, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(1), would be discussing five cases of existing litigation.

President Mobley adjourned the meeting to Executive (Closed) Session at 12:05p.m.

**2. SECOND OPEN SESSION AND CALL TO ORDER 1:00 P.M.**

President Mobley called the Second Open Session of the UWCD Board of Directors meeting to order at 1:00p.m. He asked Director Berger to lead the group in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2.1 Pledge of Allegiance**

Director Berger led the group in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2.2 Public Comment  
Information Item**

President Mobley asked if there were any public comments. None were offered.

**2.3 Approval of Agenda  
Motion**

President Mobley asked if there were any changes to the agenda. General Manager Mauricio Guardado replied that the agenda was unchanged. President Mobley asked for a motion.

Motion to approve the agenda, Director Berger; Second, Director Dandy. Voice vote: all in favor (Berger, Dandy, Hasan, Maulhardt, McFadden, Naumann, Mobley); any opposed (none). Motion carries unanimously 7/0.

#### **2.4 Oral Report Regarding Executive (Closed) Session**

##### **Information Item**

Mr. Boyer reported the Board took no action in Executive (Closed) Session that would be reportable under the Brown Act.

#### **2.5 Board Communication**

##### **Information Item**

President Mobley explained that Director Berger has suggested to save time and efficiencies, Board members submit their completed monthly per diem reports for the previous month's activities, which will be included as attachments to item 2.5 which will be renamed Board Activities Report beginning with the July 2021 UWCD Board of Director Meeting. He added that there was a memo from the Clerk of the Board in the Directors' packets explaining the change in greater detail.

President Mobley then asked Director Maulhardt to report on his activities from the previous month. Director Maulhardt stated he had nothing to report.

Director Hasan reported his participation at the AWA Ventura County Board meeting and Water Issues Committee meeting. He also attended a Santa Paula Chamber of Commerce event honoring his friend Santa Paula Times owner, editor and publisher Peggy Kelly as Citizen of the Year. He added that he met Brian Collins, who serves on the Chamber Board, and Brian's wife at the event.

Director Dandy reported his participation in the ACWA Region 5 Update on May 6, the UWCD Finance Committee meeting on May 11, the UWCD Board meeting on May 12, the ACWA Virtual Spring Conference on May 13, AWAVC Water Issues Committee meeting on May 18, CSDA on May 19, and the AWAVC WaterWise event on May 20.

Director McFadden reported his participation in the UWCD Water Resources Committee meeting and added that the Fillmore and Piru Basins GSA is meeting about every two weeks to discuss and advance the Groundwater Sustainability Plans for the GSA.

Director Berger reported his participation in the UWCD Finance Committee on June 8 and added that he has participated in several AWA VC meetings.

Director Naumann reported his participation in the UWCD Engineering and Operations Committee on June 3, numerous Fox Canyon GMA meetings, the ACWA Region 5 update, AWA WaterWise event, and has been doing outreach regarding water supply.

President Mobley reported his participation in the UWCD Board prep meeting with Mr. Guardado on June 8, a prep meeting on May 24 with UWCD GM and staff for the Fox Canyon GMA meeting on May 26, which he also attended. He Also attended a Fox Canyon GMA meeting on May 14, and the Fox Canyon Operations Committee meeting and will also be attending the Mound Basin GSA meeting on June 17.

**2.6 General Manager's Report**  
**Information Item**

General Manager Mauricio Guardado stated that he had no additional items to report. President Mobley asked if the Board had any questions or comment for Mr. Guardado. None were offered.

**2.7 Consider Cancellation of August Board Meeting**  
**Motion**

President Mobley stated that, as has been the District's tradition, the Board shall consider canceling its regular August 2021 Board meeting, and asked if anyone would like to make a motion.

Motion to cancel the UWCD Board of Directors' August 2021 meeting, Director Maulhardt; Second, Director Hasan. Roll call vote: seven ayes (Berger, Dandy, Hasan, Maulhardt, McFadden, Naumann, Mobley); none opposed. Motion carries unanimously 7.0.

**3. CONSENT CALENDAR: All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered routine by the Board and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Board member pulls an item from the Calendar. Pulled items will be discussed and acted on separately by the Board. Members of the public who want to comment on a Consent Calendar item should do so under Public Comments. (ROLL CALL VOTE REQUIRED)**

**A. Approval of Minutes**  
**Motion**

Approval of the Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting of May 12, 2021.

**B. Groundwater Basin Status Reports**  
**Information Item**

Receive and file Monthly Hydrologic Conditions Report for the District.

**C. Monthly Investment Report**  
**Information Item**

Receive and file report on the District's investments and the availability or restriction of these funds. All investments are in compliance with the District's investment policy, which is reviewed and approved annually by the Board.

President Mobley asked if anyone had any questions or comments regarding the Consent Calendar items. None were offered. President Mobley asked if he could get a motion.

Motion to approve the Consent Calendar, Director Naumann; Second, Director McFadden. Roll call vote: seven ayes (Berger, Dandy, Hasan, Maulhardt, McFadden, Naumann, Mobley); none opposed. Motion carries unanimously 7/0.

#### **4. MOTION ITEMS (By Department)**

##### **Water Resources Department – Dr. Maryam Bral**

##### **PUBLIC HEARING**

##### **4.1 Conclusion of Annual Groundwater Hearing, Acceptance of Public Comment and Setting of 2021-22 Zones and Extraction Charges**

##### **Motion**

In accordance with Part 9 of Division 21 of the California Water Code (Section 75500 et seq.), the Board annually conducts a public hearing to consider the conditions of groundwater resources within the District. An “Annual Investigation and Report of Groundwater Conditions” was submitted to the Board on March 30, 2021 and has been available for public review and comment. This hearing was opened on April 14, 2021 and continued until May 12, 2021, at which time it was again continued to June 9, 2021. During the hearing, the Board received information from District staff and consultant(s) HF&H and Stratecon in support of the establishment of zone(s) within the District and levying of groundwater extraction charges within such zone(s). Public comment was also accepted.

The public hearing was transcribed by a certified court reporter and that transcript will be made part of the administrative record for the hearing,

President Mobley officially closed the Public Hearing portion of the meeting.

##### **Resolution 2021-11**

##### **Making Findings and Determinations from the Evidence Submitted Concerning the Groundwater Conditions of United Water Conservation District.**

##### **Motion**

Motion to adopt Resolution 2021-11 Making Findings and Determinations from the Evidence Submitted Concerning the Groundwater Conditions of United Water Conservation District, Director Naumann; Second, Director Hasan. Roll call vote: seven ayes (Berger, Dandy, Hasan, Maulhardt, McFadden, Naumann, Mobley); none opposed. Motion carries unanimously 7/0.

**Resolution 2021-12**

**Making Additional Findings and Determinations from the Evidence Submitted Concerning Groundwater Conditions of United Water Conservation District, Determining and Establishing Groundwater Extraction Charge Zones and Levying, Assessing and Fixing Groundwater Extraction Charges against All Persons Operating Groundwater Producing Facilities within Such Zones for the 2021-22 Water Year**

**Motion**

Motion to adopt Resolution 2021-12 Making Additional Finding and Determinations from the Evidence Submitted Concerning Groundwater Conditions of United Water Conservation District, Determining and Establishing Groundwater Extraction Charge Zones and Levying, Assessing and Fixing Groundwater Extraction Charges against All Persons Operating Groundwater Producing Facilities within Such Zones for the 2021-22 Water Year, Director Maulhardt; Second, Director Dandy. Roll call vote: seven ayes (Berger, Dandy, Hasan, Maulhardt, McFadden, Naumann, Mobley); none opposed. Motion carries unanimously 7/0.

**Administration Services – Joseph Jereb and Josh Perez**

- 4.2 Resolution 2021-13 Adopting the REVISED Proposed District Budget Plan, Financial Policies, Overhead Allocation Method, Staffing Levels and Salary Schedules for Fiscal Year 2021-22 and Appropriation Carryovers for Fiscal Year 2020-21**

**Motion**

President Mobley asked if there were any comments from the public. None were offered. He then asked if there were any questions or comments from the Board regarding Resolution 2021-13. None were offered.

Motion to adopt Resolution 2021-13, adopting the Revised proposed District Budget Plan, Fiscal Policies, Overhead Allocation Method, Staffing Levels and Salary Schedules for Fiscal Year 2021-22 and Appropriation Carryovers for Fiscal Year 2021-22, Director Maulhardt; Second, Director Naumann. Roll call vote: seven ayes (Berger, Dandy, Hasan, Maulhardt, McFadden, Naumann, Mobley); none opposed. Motion carries unanimously 7/0.

- 4.3 Resolution 2021-14 A Resolution of the Board of Directors of UWCD Requesting the Auditor-Controller to Compute and Affix a Tax Rate for the Fiscal Period 2021-22 Sufficient to Satisfy the State Water Project Charges**

**Motion**

President Mobley asked if there were any comments from the public. None were offered. He then asked if there were any questions or comments from the Board regarding Resolution 2021-14. None were offered.

Motion to adopt Resolution 2021-14, requesting the County Auditor-Controller to compute and affix a tax rate for FY 2021-22 to provide approximately \$2,041,000 in property tax revenue sufficient to satisfy a portion of the voter approved debt for

State Water Project costs, Director Naumann; Second, Director McFadden. Roll call vote: seven ayes (Berger, Dandy, Hasan, Maulhardt, McFadden, Naumann, Mobley); none opposed. Motion carries unanimously 7/0.

**4.4 Resolution 2021-01 Authorizing the General Manager to Execute a Sub-Grant Agreement with Calleguas Municipal Water District for the State of California Department of Water Resources Integrated Regional Water Management Implementation Grant Awarded to the Watershed Coalition of Ventura County**

**Motion**

President Mobley asked if there were any comments from the public. None were offered. He then asked if there were any questions or comments from the Board regarding Resolution 2021-01. Director Berger said the Resolution was reviewed by the Finance Committee, and committee members agreed to recommend the adoption of the Resolution which includes a substantial grant award for the District's Iron and Manganese Treatment project.

Motion to adopt Resolution 2021-01, authorizing the General Manager to execute a Sub-Grant Agreement with the Calleguas Municipal Water District for the State of California Department of Water Resources Integrated Regional Water Management Implementation (IRWMI) grant awarded to the Watersheds Coalition of Ventura County, Director Maulhardt; Second, Director Berger. Roll call vote: seven ayes (Berger, Dandy, Hasan, Maulhardt, McFadden, Naumann, Mobley); none opposed. Motion carries unanimously 7/0.

**Water Resources Department – Dr. Maryam Bral**

**4.5 Resolution 2021-05 Adopting the 2020 Urban Water Management Plan and the Water Shortage Contingency Plan for the Oxnard Hueneme Pipeline**

**Motion**

President Mobley reminded the Board that a Public Hearing regarding the proposed 2020 Urban Water Management Plan and the Water Shortage Contingency Plan for the Oxnard Hueneme (OH) Pipeline System was held during the May 12, 2021 UWCD Board of Directors meeting. Based on public comments received during the review period and Public Hearing, the Board is now considering approval of Resolution 2021-05, formally adopting the 2020 Urban Water Management Plan and the Water Shortage Contingency Plan for the Oxnard Hueneme (OH) Pipeline system.

President Mobley asked if there were any public comments. None were offered. Then he asked if the Board had any questions or comments regarding Resolution 2021-05. None were offered

Motion to adopt Resolution 2021-05, adopting the 2020 Urban Water Management Plan and the Water Shortage Contingency Plan for the Oxnard Hueneme Pipeline, Director Naumann; Second, Director Berger. Roll call vote: seven ayes (Berger, Dandy, Hasan, Maulhardt, McFadden, Naumann, Mobley); none opposed. Motion carries unanimously 7/0.

**Park and Recreation Department – Clayton Strahan**

**4.6 Resolution 2021-15 Authorizing Workers' Compensation Benefits for Volunteer Workers**

**Motion**

Chief Ranger Clayton Strahan addressed the Board regarding its adoption of Resolution 2021-15, explaining that while it is not mandated, the District's insurance coverage provider and requested providing volunteer workers at the Lake Piru Recreation Area or to other volunteer workers for other departments within the District's service area with Workman's Compensation insurance coverage as it reduced the District's liability issues.

Director Maulhardt stated that the Resolution was considered by the Finance Committee and the committee members agreed to recommend the Board adopt the Resolution. President Mobley asked if there were any other comments or if the Board had any questions or comments. None were offered.

Motion to adopt Resolution 2021-15, authorizing Workers' Compensation coverage for all volunteer personnel serving in a non-paid capacity at the Lake Piru Recreation Area and or in other capacities at the District while providing in-kind services to the District, Director Maulhardt; Second, Director McFadden. Roll call vote: seven ayes (Berger, Dandy, Hasan, Maulhardt, McFadden, Naumann, Mobley); none opposed. Motion carries unanimously 7/0.

**5. PRESENTATIONS AND MONTHLY STAFF REPORTS (By Department)**

**Operations and Maintenance Department – Brian Collins**

**5.1 Monthly Operation and Maintenance Department Report**

**Information Item**

Brian Collins made a presentation to the Board regarding the monthly operations and maintenance of District facilities (see attached slides).

**Park and Recreation Department – Clayton Strahan**

**5.2 Monthly Park and Recreation Department Report**

**Information Item**

Chief Ranger Strahan made a presentation to the Board regarding updates relative to the Lake Piru Recreation Area (see attached slides). Director Maulhardt asked if the District were tracking the number of hits on the new website and/or bookings. Chief Strahan said that the reservation system tracks all bookings and that the District is working with CV Strategies regarding tracking website data and other social media platforms and will have those numbers for the Board the next time Park and Recreation reports out to the Board. He also reported on the most current revenue totals for visitations, camping, and ancillary revenue from WiFi, the sale of firewood, ice and vending machines, et cetera.

Chief Ranger Strahan also reported that he had participated in a pod cast for Mobile/RV enthusiast with a reach of some 100,000 listeners, which went very



well. He also thanked the O&M team for their support in clearing the overflow area for additional parking and camping, brush clearance and for helping to spread the sand, creating a nice beach along the water's edge.

**Water Resources Department – Dr. Maryam Bral**

**5.3 Monthly Water Resources Department Report**

**Information Item**

The Water Resources team made a multi-part presentation to the Board (see attached slides) addressing modeling projects to help the Oxnard and PV basins move toward sustainability (Dr. Bram Sercu); then an update on groundwater modeling demonstrating the various impacts on seawater intrusion (John Lindquist), followed by an update on the new model being used for the District's Coastal Brackish Groundwater Extraction project with the U.S. Navy (Dr. Jason Sun). Then an overview of the monthly Water Resources Department activities (Dan Detmer) was presented.

**5.4 Update on Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) and Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA)**

**Information Item**

Mr. Detmer provided a verbal update on the monthly activities of the three local Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (Mound Basin GSA, Fillmore and Piru Basins GSA, and the Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency), for which the District serves as a member director, and Santa Paula basin (adjudicated) Technical Advisory Committee (including formation of groundwater sustainability agencies in the District's basins, stakeholder and basin user groups, joint powers or governance agreements, development of water markets, and potential basin boundary changes).

**Administrative Services Department – Joseph Jereb and Josh Perez**

**5.5 Monthly Administrative Services Department Report – Anthony Emmert**

**Information Item**

Summary report on Administration Department activities was received by the Board. President Mobley asked if there were any questions or comments. None were offered.

**Engineering Department – Dr. Maryam Bral**

**5.6 Monthly Engineering Department Report**

**Information Item**

Summary report on various activities of the Engineering Department were received by the Board. President Mobley asked if there were any questions or comments. None were offered.

**Environmental Planning and Conservation Department – Linda Purpus**

**5.7 Monthly Environmental Planning and Conservation Department Report**

**Information Item**

Summary report on environmental and regulatory issues of note to the District was received by the Board. President Mobley asked if there were any questions or comments. None were offered.

**6. BOARD OF DIRECTORS READING FILE**

**7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

President Mobley asked if any of the Board members had any future agenda items they would like considered. None were offered.

**8. ADJOURNMENT 3:53p.m.**

President Mobley adjourned the meeting at 3:53p.m. to the **Regular Board Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, July 14, 2021**, or call of the President.

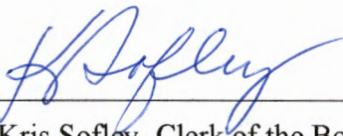
I certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the UWCD Board of Directors meeting of June 9, 2021.

ATTEST:



Sheldon G. Berger, Secretary/Treasurer

ATTEST:



Kris Sofley, Clerk of the Board