

**MARIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**Tuesday, March 1, 2022**

**Via teleconference**

(In accordance with Assembly Bill (AB) 361)

**DIRECTORS PRESENT:** Larry Bragman, Jack Gibson, Cynthia Koehler, Monty Schmitt, and Larry Russell

**DIRECTORS ABSENT:** None

**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

President Russell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**ADOPT AGENDA**

On motion made by Director Bragman and seconded by Vice President Schmitt, the board adopted the agenda.

There were two (2) public comments.

The following roll call vote was made.

Ayes: Directors Bragman, Gibson, Koehler, Schmitt, and Russell

Noes: None

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were four (4) public comments.

**DIRECTORS' AND GENERAL MANAGER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- Director Gibson announced that he was appointed as Vice-Chair to the North Bay Water Reuse Authority.

**CONSENT CALENDAR (ITEMS 1-5)**

**Item 1 Minutes of the Board of Directors' Regular Bi-Monthly Meeting of February 15, 2022**

- Item 2            Resolution Continuing the Invocation of the District’s Emergency Contracting Procedures for the Rehabilitation of the Kastania Pump Station (Resolution No. 8684)**
- Item 3            Professional Services Agreement with Alta Planning + Design, Inc. for the Development of the Watershed Recreation Management Plan**
- Item 4            Recruitment and Hire of a Mechanical & Electrical Maintenance Planner**
- Item 5            Request to Fill Automotive Mechanic II Position in the Operations Division**

There were no public comments.

On motion made by Director Gibson and seconded by Director Bragman, the board adopted the consent calendar. The following roll call vote was made.

Ayes:            Directors Bragman, Gibson, Koehler, Schmitt, and Russell  
 Noes:            None

**PUBLIC HEARING (ITEM 6)**

- Item 6            Resolution Adjusting Director Division Boundaries Following 2020 Decennial Census (Redistricting) (Resolution No. 8685)**

Staff Attorney Jerrad Mills provided a synopsis of what lead to the adjustment of some of the division boundaries and the outreach staff conducted to receive public input. Conversation between the board and staff ensued.

President Russell opened the public comment. There was one (1) public comment. The public hearing was closed.

On motion made by Director Bragman and seconded by Director Koehler, the board adopted the resolution. The following roll call vote was made.

Ayes:            Directors Bragman, Gibson, Koehler, Schmitt, and Russell  
 Noes:            None

**REGULAR CALENDAR (ITEMS 7-12)**

- Item 7            Resolution Authorizing Award of Contract No. 1927, East Blithedale Pipeline Replacement Project, to Maggiora & Ghilotti, Inc. in the Amount of \$2,237,237 with a Contingency of up to \$330,000 (Resolution No. 8686)**

Associate Engineer Zak Talbott brought forth this item. There were neither board comments nor public comments after the report.

On motion made by Director Gibson and seconded by Vice President Schmitt, the board adopted the resolution to authorize the award. The following roll call vote was made.

Ayes: Directors Bragman, Gibson, Koehler, Schmitt, and Russell  
Noes: None

**Item 8 Authorizing the General Manager to Negotiate and Sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and Local Project Sponsor Agreement with East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD) to Accept a Pass-Through Grant Funding from the State of California for up to \$222,477 for Water Conservation Rebates for the District’s Customers**

Water Efficiency Manager Carrie Pollard presented this item to discuss the benefits of receiving this grant, including obtaining more flume for our customers, and addressed questions brought forth by the directors.

There was one (1) public comment.

On motion made by Director Koehler and seconded by Director Bragman, the board approved authorizing the general manager to negotiate and sign the MOU and Local Sponsor Agreement with EBMUD. The following roll call vote was made.

Ayes: Directors Bragman, Gibson, Koehler, Schmitt, and Russell  
Noes: None

**Item 9 Water Supply Update**

Director of Operations and Acting Resources Manager Paul Sellier presented the current state of the District’s water supply. Discussion between the board and staff, including commending the public for continued conservation efforts.

There were four (4) public comments.

Afterwards, there were some brief board comments.

This was an informational item. The board did not take any formal action.

**Item 10 Consider a Ballot Measure on the June 7<sup>th</sup> California State Primary Election to Repeal Ordinance No. 418 Requiring Voter Approval for Financing or Construction of a Desalination Facility**

This item was referred from the Finance & Administration Committee Meeting of February 24, 2022. General Manager Horenstein re-introduced the proposed ballot measure. Afterward, the board deliberated and continued to ask staff questions.

The directors expressed wanting to hear public comment. There were 17 public comments.

After public comments, the board continued discussing the matter. The directors did not take any formal action and General Manager Horenstein indicated that there would therefore be no special meeting to pursue a ballot measure at this time. This was an informational item.

**Item 11 Resolution to Allow Continuing Virtual Board and Committee Meetings in Accordance with AB 361 and Consider a Date to Commence Some In-Person Participation at Board and Committee Meetings (Resolution No. 8687)**

General Counsel Molly MacLean presented this item. Afterwards the board and staff conversed on the topic.

There were four (4) speakers for public comment.

On motion made by Director Koehler and seconded by Director Bragman, the board approved the resolution to continue virtual meetings. The following roll call vote was made.

Ayes: Directors Bragman, Gibson, Koehler, Schmitt, and Russell  
Noes: None

Furthermore, the directors agreed to commence hybrid-meetings starting with the Finance & Administration Committee Meeting of March 24<sup>th</sup>.

No further action was taken.

**Item 12 Future Meeting Schedule and Agenda Items**

The board secretary announced upcoming meetings and events.

There were no more comments from the board nor from the public.

This being an informational item. The board did not take any formal action.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the regular bi-monthly Board of Directors' meeting of March 1, 2022, adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

  
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Terrie Gillen, CMC  
Board Secretary

The minutes were approved at the Board of Directors' Regular Bi-Monthly Meeting of March 15, 2022.