MARIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, February 7, 2023

Via teleconference (In accordance with Assembly Bill 361)

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

President Monty Schmitt called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Directors Present:	Ranjiv Khush, Larry Russell, Matt Samson, Jed Smith, and Monty
	Schmitt

Directors Absent: None

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

On motion made by Director Smith and seconded by Director Samson, the board adopted the agenda.

Ayes:Directors Samson, Smith, Khush, Russell, and SchmittNoes:None

There were no public comments.

PUBLIC COMMENT – ONLY ON ITEMS ON THE CLOSED SESSION

There were no public comments.

CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION

The directors convened to Closed Session at 5:04 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

1. Conference with Labor Negotiator (Government Code §54957.6)

Agency Designated Representative: Ben Horenstein, General Manager

Employee Organizations: Service Employees International Union, Local 1021; Unrepresented Employees

2. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (California Government Code Section § 54956.9)

Coalition of Sensible Taxpayers vs. Marin Municipal Water District Case Number: CIV 1903160

CONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

The board, except Director Russell, convened to Open Session at 6:32 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT OUT

President Schmitt reported that the board adjourned the Closed Session at 6:31 p.m. with no reportable action.

PUBLIC COMMENT – ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

There were four (4) public comments.

Director Russell arrived.

DIRECTORS' AND GENERAL MANAGER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Director Smith reported that the Finance and Administration Committee Meeting was held on January 26 and he attended the Sonoma County Water Agency Water Advisory Committee (WAC). He mentioned that the agencies at WAC look forward to partnering with Marin Water.
- Vice President Khush mentioned that he and Director Russell had attended the North Bay Watershed Association (NBWA) meeting. He stated that NBWA's issues were similar to the District's and that their resiliency study was facilitated by Jacobs Engineering.
- Director Samson announced that he attended both the Lagunitas Creek Technical Advisory Committee's tour of a couple of the watershed creeks and the OneTam Strategic Plan meeting.
- President Schmitt reported the Directors held their annual board retreat and thanked the staff for putting together concise and informative presentations on the state of their departments.

• General Manager Ben Horenstein added that the video recording of the retreat was posted to the website.

CONSENT CALENDAR (ITEMS 3-8)

ltem 3	Minutes of the Board of Directors' Regular Bi-Monthly Meeting of January 17, 2023, Special Meeting of January 24, 2023, Special Meeting of January 26, 2023, and Special Meeting of January 31, 2023
ltem 4	Amendment No. 4 to District Lease Agreement No. 65, at 700 Donahue Street, Sausalito (APN: 052-140-27), with T-Mobile
ltem 5	Amendment No. 2 to Miscellaneous Agreement 5970 with ReDesign Group for Information Technology Services
ltem 6	Quintel Management Consulting Contract to Assignment to VistVu Solutions
ltem 7	Request to Fill Environmental Compliance Specialist Position
ltem 8	Request to Fill One Utility Crew Leader Position in the Operations Division

On motion made by Director Samson and seconded by Vice President Khush, the board approved the Consent Calendar.

Ayes:	Directors Samson, Smith, Khush, Russell, and Schmitt
Noes:	None

There were no public comments on the Consent Calendar items.

REGULAR CALENDAR (ITEMS 9-10)

Item 9 Rate Setting Process Update

General Manager Horenstein introduced this item speaking to the proud history of Marin Water and the work ahead, and acknowledging Marin Water customers as important partners at this pivotal time. Finance Director Brett Uppendahl then gave a detailed presentation, articulating why the District needed to increase its rates, addressing the financial challenges of fixed expenses vs variable revenues, budget trends, current rate structures, and proposed rate plan options, as well as explaining the ongoing rate setting process, including the upcoming public workshops and outreach. Discussion ensued.

There were six (6) public comments.

This was an informational item that would also be presented at upcoming customer rate setting

workshops scheduled in the next two-weeks.

No formal action was taken by the board.

Item 10 Future Meeting Schedule and Agenda Items

The board secretary reported on upcoming internal and external meetings.

There was no public comment.

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

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the regular Board of Directors' meeting of February 7, 2023, adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

Terrie Gillen, CMC Board Secretary

The minutes were approved at the Board of Directors' Regular Bi-Monthly Meeting of February 21, 2023.