

**MARIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**Tuesday, March 21, 2023**

**Via In-Person and Virtually**

<b>Marin Water (Open Session)</b>	<b>and</b>	<b>Marin Water (Closed Session)</b>
<b>Board Room</b>		<b>Mt. Tam Conference Room</b>
220 Nellen Avenue		220 Nellen Avenue
Corte Madera, California 94925		Corte Madera, California 94925

**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

President Monty Schmitt called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room.

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

***Directors Absent:*** None

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

On motion made by Director Smith and seconded by Vice President Khush, the board adopted the agenda.

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

There were no public comments.

**PUBLIC COMMENT – ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

During the meeting, this item was inadvertently skipped, but then President Schmitt went back to it during the board announcements and committee reports.

There were four (4) comments from the public.

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

- Director Russell provided a committee report from the Operations Committee Meeting of March 10.

- Vice President Khush provided examples of recently announced federal Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) loans and state Department of Water Resources (DWR) grant funding of water infrastructure projects in the Bay Area.
- Director Samson provided a committee report from the Watershed Committee Meeting of March 16. He also mentioned that he attended the Lagunitas Creek TAC meeting on March 17.
- General Manager Ben Horenstein reported on the worsening of a slide (Old White Hill Grade) that contained a welded steel transmission line, which was the main water transport from the San Geronimo Treatment Plant to Fairfax line. The District is monitoring the site to ensure that the transmission line remains protected.

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR (ITEMS 1-8)**

- Item 1            Minutes of the Board of Directors' Special Meeting of February 28, 2023 and Regular Board Meeting of March 7, 2023**
- Item 2            General Manager's Report February 2023**
- Item 3            Award of Contract No. 1993, 2023 San Rafael Concrete Culvert Repair Project, to Pacific Underground Services, to Repair a Section of a Concrete Storm Drain Box Culvert on Bayview Street (Resolution No. 8738)**
- Item 4            Amendment No. 2 to Professional Services Agreement MA-5963, with Woodard & Curran, Inc., for Grant Funding Assistance and Engineering Services During Construction of the Pine Mountain Tunnel Tanks Replacement Project**
- Item 5            Professional Services Agreement with National Response Team for Water Remediation and Restoration Services**
- Item 6            New Lease Agreement for West Point Inn with the West Point Inn Association**
- Item 7            Amendment to Extend the Term of the At-Will Employment Agreement of Molly L. MacLean as the General Counsel of the Marin Municipal Water District**
- Item 8            Request to Fill Financial Management Analyst Position in the Administrative Services Division**

On motion made by Director Smith and seconded by Vice President Khush, the board approved the Consent Calendar, with Director Smith only abstaining on Item 6. (Lease Agreement for West Point Inn).

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

There were no public comments for the Consent Calendar items.

**REGULAR CALENDAR (ITEMS 9 - 12)**

**Item 9 Resolution for Grant Funding for the Federal WaterSMART Program (Resolution No. 8739)**

Grant and Legislative Coordinator Matt Sagues presented this item. Discussion ensued.

There were three (3) public comments.

On motion made by Vice President Khush and seconded by President Schmitt, the board approved the resolution.

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

**Item 10 Water Supply and Roadmap Update**

Water Resources Director Paul Sellier presented this item showing the current water supply conditions and water supply forecast. Then, he spoke about the goals of the roadmap, the main elements of the integrated study, and early actions to implement the roadmap.

Much discussion between the board and staff occurred throughout the presentation.

There were six public comments.

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

**Item 11 Post Retreat Follow Up**

General Manager Horenstein provided a presentation of each department's annual goals and would give updates on these goals to the committees and then to the board.

Discussion ensued.

There were no public comments.

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

**Item 12 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.

Afterwards, the board moved to Closed Session.

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**CLOSED SESSION**

**PUBLIC COMMENT – ONLY ON ITEMS ON THE CLOSED SESSION**

There were two (2) public comments.

**CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION**

The directors convened to Closed Session at approximately 9:04 p.m. and went to the Mt. Tam Conference Room.

**CLOSED SESSION ITEM**

**13. 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

**CONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

The board came back from the Mt. Tam Conference Room to the Board Room and reconvened to Open Session at 10:25 p.m.

**CLOSED SESSION REPORT OUT**

President Schmitt announced that the Closed Session adjourned at 10:24 p.m. and there were no reportable actions taken.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the Board of Directors' Regular Meeting of March 21, 2023, adjourned at 10:25 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 April 4, 2023.