MINUTES FOR THE MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE RAMONA MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT  
July 10, 2018

PRESENT  
Jim Robinson President  
Jim Hickle Vice President  
Bryan Wadlington Secretary  
Jeff Lawler Treasurer  
Thomas Ace Director

A. Opening of Meeting  

A.1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance  
The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Ramona Municipal Water District was called to order by President Robinson at 2:00 p.m., at the Ramona Community Center, 434 Aqua Lane, Ramona, County of San Diego, State of California.  
President Robinson led the Board and members of the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. This was followed by an opening announcement of basic protocols to observe during the meeting.  

A.2. Consideration of Non-Agenda Items Which Arose Subsequent to the Posting of the Agenda  
None.  

A.3. Adoption of Agenda for Meeting of July 10, 2018  
General Manager Barnum announced a revision to agenda item F.2. which was provided on a yellow sheet and includes an updated recommendation.  

M\[C] MOTION TO ADOPT THE [REVISED] AGENDA (Ace/Wadlington)  
AYES: Ace, Hickle, Lawler, Robinson, Wadlington  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

A.4. Opportunity for Members of the Public to Address the Board on any Subject within its Jurisdiction but not on the Agenda

Gustavo Munoz, a representative from Senator Joel Anderson's office, addressed the board regarding an upcoming grant writing workshop.  

A.5. Announcements and/or Informational Reports from Board and/or Staff  
A.5.a. General Manager's Report
General Manager Barnum announced that a draft two-year budget was distributed to the board for review, which will be presented for adoption at a special board meeting on July 31, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.

A.5.b. Committee Reports

Director Ace reported on behalf of the Fire Ad Hoc Committee who met with staff on June 26, 2018. They discussed current and future fire staffing which resulted in item F.3. on the agenda.

Director Hickle reported on behalf of the Budget Ad Hoc Committee who met with staff on July 10, 2018. They started their review of the two-year draft budget and plan to meet again before the special meeting on July 31, 2018.

A.5.c. Staff Reports

None.

B. Ministerial Items

B.1. Consent Calendar
(All matters on the consent calendar are to be approved by one motion unless a Board Member requests separate action on a specific item)

B.1.a. Adoption of the Regular Board Meeting Minutes for June 12, 2018

Recommendation: To adopt the Minutes for June 12, 2018.

B.1.b. Acceptance of Monthly Financial Reports – May 2018

Recommendation: No staff recommendation.

M\S\C MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR AS PRESENTED
(Ace/Wadlington)

AYES: Ace, Hickle, Lawler, Robinson, Wadlington
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

C. Public Hearing/Bid Openings
(This space on the agenda is reserved in the event there is a public hearing or bid opening)

D. Agenda Items which Anticipate Possible Input from Members of the Public
(This space on the agenda is reserved in the event a member of the public is scheduled to address the Board)

E. Agenda Items which Anticipate Possible Input from Other Agencies/Consultants
(This space on the agenda is reserved in the event another agency/consultant is scheduled to address the Board)

F. Agenda Items which Anticipate Possible Input from Staff

F.1. Discussion and Possible Action to Accept and Adopt the District’s Salt and Nutrient Management Plan
Recommendation: Staff respectfully recommends that the Board accept and adopt the District’s Salt and Nutrient Management Plan for the Santa Maria Hydrologic Area prepared by Todd Groundwater.

Sally McCraven of Todd Groundwater presented the findings and recommendations. Discussion followed regarding the status of the District’s sprayfields and county-wide efforts to capture more storm water to recharge the basin.

MISIC  MOTION TO ACCEPT AND ADOPT THE REPORT FROM TODD GROUNDWATER FOR THE SANTA MARIA BASIN (Hickle/Ace)

AYES: Ace, Hickle, Lawler, Robinson, Wadlington
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

F.2. Discussion and Possible Action to Adopt a Resolution to Amend the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Operating Budget and Increase the Budget Appropriation in the Water Fund to Accommodate Higher Customer Demands for Water

Recommendation: Staff respectfully recommends that the Board adopt the attached Resolution to amend the FY2017/18 Budget to increase budget appropriations for water expenses by $750,000 and water revenues by $750,000 in RMWD’s Water Operations-Fund 01 to accommodate higher than anticipated customer demand for water.

Craig Schmollinger, Chief Financial Officer, discussed the agenda item and revised recommendation which was changed from $750,000 to $950,000 in both water expenses and water revenues based on billings received after the posting of the agenda.

MISIC  MOTION TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION (Lawler/Hickle) [Resolution No. 18-1530]

AYES: Ace, Hickle, Lawler, Robinson, Wadlington
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

F.3. Discussion and Possible Action Requesting Two Additional Firefighter Paramedics to Increase the Staffing on Engine 80 to Three-Person Paramedic Staffing

Recommendation: The Fire Ad Hoc Committee and Fire Department Staff recommend that the Board of Directors provide direction to the General Manager to submit a letter to CAL FIRE authorizing the hiring of two additional Firefighter Paramedics to achieve three-person paramedic staffing on engine 80.

General Manager Barnum provided the history of the District’s contractual relationship with CalFire and how this agenda item materialized. CalFire Chief, Larry Converse, reviewed the increase in service demands they are experiencing, the challenges with the current staffing model, the benefits of changing the staffing model and the costs associated with the change.
Discussion followed regarding ways to reduce costs and fire funding concerns now and in the future. The ad hoc committee members, Director Ace and Director Wadlington, shared their perspectives and additional information in support of the agenda item.

**MISC**

MOTION TO PROVIDE DIRECTION TO THE GENERAL MANAGER TO SUBMIT A LETTER TO CAL FIRE AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF TWO ADDITIONAL FIREFIGHTER PARAMEDICS TO ACHIEVE THREE-PERSON PARAMEDIC STAFFING ON ENGINE 80 (Ace/Wadlington)

**AYES:** Ace, Lawler, Robinson, Wadlington

**NOES:** Hickle

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

President Robinson called for a break at 3:26 p.m. The board reconvened and went into closed session at 3:45 p.m.

**G.** Closed Session – NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

**G.1.** CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

(Government Code § 54956.8)

Property: 214 Creelman Lane, Ramona, CA 92065

Agency Negotiators: David Barnum, Jennifer Lyon, Mike Metts

Negotiating party: Spangler Peak Ranch Inc.

Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment

Closed session ended at 4:38 p.m. The Board President announced that there was no reportable action.

**H.** Remaining Agenda Items

**H.1.** Directors’ Reports of Reimbursed Meetings

Pursuant to Legislative Code Section 2.08.140, members of the Board who receive reimbursement from the District for their actual and necessary expenses for attending meetings outside the District shall either prepare a written report to be submitted at the next subsequent Board meeting or make a verbal report during the next regular Board meeting. The report shall detail the information that may be of benefit to the District that was presented at the meeting.

None reported.

**I.** Closing Agenda Items

**I.1.** Date and Time for the Next Regular Meeting

August 14, 2018 – 2:00 p.m.

President Robinson adjourned the meeting at 4:38 p.m.

Adjourn
Jim Robinson, President
Board of Directors
RAMONA MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT