MINUTES FOR THE MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE RAMONA MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
JULY 11, 2017

PRESENT

Thomas Ace  President
Joe Zenovic  Vice President
Jim Hickle  Secretary
Jeff Lawler  Treasurer
Bryan Wadlington  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 Ace at 2:00 p.m., at the Ramona Community Center, 434 Aqua Lane, Ramona, County of San Diego, State of California.

President Ace led the Board and members of the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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 11, 2017

MOTION TO ADOPT THE AGENDA (Zenovic/Hickle)

AYES: Ace, Hickle, Lawler, Wadlington, Zenovic
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

None.

A.5. Announcements and/or Informational Reports from Board and/or Staff

A.5.a. General Manager's Report

General Manager Barnum reported that the effluent transmission pipeline project design is 70% complete and will be coming forward in future months for approval.

A.5.b. Committee Reports
None.

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 13, 2017

Recommendation: To adopt the Minutes for June 13, 2017.

B.1.b. Adoption of the Special Board Meeting Minutes for June 28, 2017

Recommendation: To adopt the Minutes for June 28, 2017.


Recommendation: No staff recommendation.

B.1.d. Authorization to Approve Change Order for the Mussey Grade and Dye Road Valve Replacement Project

Recommendation: Staff respectfully recommends that the Board authorize the General Manager to approve the final balance change order of $110,769.76 for the Mussey Grade & Dye Road Valve Replacement Project.

B.1.e. Authorization to Approve Change Orders for the Poway Forebay and Tank 4 Reservoir Rehabilitation Projects

Recommendation: Staff respectfully recommends that the Board authorize the General Manager to approve the following final balancing change orders:

- For the Poway-Forebay Tank rehabilitation project in the amount of $81,528.00.
- For the Tank 4 Reservoir Rehabilitation project in the amount of $61,172.62.

B.1.f. Authorization to Award a Contract for Construction of the Santa Maria Sewer and Water Replacement Project

Recommendation: Staff respectfully recommends the Board authorize the General Manager to award a contract for construction of the Santa Maria Sewer and Water Replacement Project to Ramona Paving &
Construction Corp.

M\S\C  MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR AS PRESENTED
(Zenovic/Hickle)

AYES: Ace, Hickle, Lawler, Wadlington, Zenovic
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 Approve Annexation of the Montecito Properties, LLC, Property into the Santa Maria Sewer Service Area

Recommendation: Staff respectfully recommends that the Board authorize annexation of Montecito Properties, LLC Property into the SMSSA and adopt the proposed Resolution of annexation.

M\S\C  MOTION TO ACCEPT THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO AUTHORIZE THE ANNEXATION OF MONTECITO PROPERTIES INTO THE SANTA MARIA SEWER SERVICE AREA BY ADOPTING THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION (Ace/Zenovic) [Resolution No. 17-1519]

General Manager Barnum summarized the agenda item. Board discussion followed regarding capacity charges, sewer system rates and capacity remaining at the Santa Maria Plant.

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

F.2. Discussion and Possible Action on a Resolution to Adopt the RMWD Budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018

Recommendation: Staff respectfully recommends that the Board of Directors approve a Resolution to adopt the FY 2017-18 budget.

General Manager Barnum introduced the agenda item. Richard Hannasch, Chief Financial Officer, provided a comprehensive budget presentation.
Discussion followed regarding property tax allocation. Fire funding and CalFIRE contract costs were reviewed specifically, including review of how fire services and the budget might be impacted if property taxes were not allocated to fire funds.

M\S  MOTION TO APPROVE THE BUDGET REMOVING 1.75 MILLION DOLLARS (OF PROPERTY TAX ALLOCATION FOR FIRE SERVICES) FROM FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018 BUDGET AS SPECIFIED ON PAGE 24 AND APPROVE THE BALANCE OF THE BUDGET (Zenovic/Hickle)

Discussion followed.

M\S\F  MOTION AMENDED TO DECREASE FIRE (PROPERTY TAX ALLOCATION) BY ONE MILLION DOLLARS AND REALLOCATE THAT TO WATER AND SEWER AS NECESSARY AND LEAVE 750,000 DOLLARS IN THE OPERATING FUND FOR FIRE (Zenovic/Hickle)

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

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

Director Zenovic asked for a commitment from the Fire Ad Hoc committee to research all paths concurrently on the Fire EDU issue.

Resolution No. 17-1518 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

G.  Remaining Agenda Items

G.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.

H.  Closing Agenda Items

Director Hickle thanked District staff for quick action on a customer's manhole issue as reported at a previous meeting.

H.1.  Date and Time for the Next Regular Meeting
August 8, 2017 - 2:00 p.m.
President Ace adjourned the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Ramona Municipal Water District at 3:15 p.m.

Adjourn

Thomas Ace, President
Board of Directors
RAMONA MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT