MINUTES FOR THE MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE RAMONA MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
June 11, 2019

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

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 June 11, 2019

M\S\C MOTION TO ADOPT THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED (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

Barry Willis spoke to the Board about his confirmed position with the San Diego Local Agency Formation Commission, and his desire to become more acquainted with his constituents.

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

A.5.a. General Manager’s Report

None.

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.b. Acceptance of Monthly Financial Reports – April 2019

Recommendation: No staff recommendation.

B.1.c. Adoption of a Resolution to Collect Delinquent Water Charges by Placement on the San Diego County Property Tax Rolls

Recommendation: Staff respectfully recommends that the Board adopt a Resolution to collect delinquent water charges by placing them on the San Diego County property tax rolls.

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

After the motion was presented, it was mentioned that two board members were absent from the May meeting and would need to abstain on approval of the minutes.

M\S\C
MOTION AMENDED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR WITH ALL ITEMS EXCEPT FOR THE MINUTES (Ace/Lawler) [B.1.c. Resolution No. 19-1538]

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

B.1.a. Adoption of the Regular Board Meeting Minutes for May 14, 2019

Recommendation: To adopt the Minutes for May 14, 2019.

M\S\C
MOTION TO APPROVE THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES FOR MAY 14, 2019 (Ace/Lawler)

AYES: Ace, Lawler, Robinson
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: Hickle, Wadlington
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 Adopt an Ordinance to Continue Sewer Availability Charges for Property in the San Vicente Sewer Service Area for Fiscal Year 2019-20

   Recommendation: Staff respectfully recommends that the Board adopt an Ordinance to continue sewer availability charges for property in the San Vicente Sewer Service Area for fiscal year 2019-20.

   General Manager Barnum introduced the agenda item. Chief Financial Officer, Craig Schmollinger, provided a short summary of the charge and how it is applied to customer parcels. There was further discussion on the origination and reasons for the charge.

M\SIC MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONTINUATION OF THE SEWER AVAILABILITY CHARGES (Lawler/Hickle) [Ordinance No. 19-453] by the following roll call vote:

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

G. Closed Session – NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

   The board entered closed session at 2:09 p.m.

   G.1. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation

   G.2. Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation
        Initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(4)-(1 case)

   Closed session ended at 3:19 p.m. Legal Counsel reported that direction was given with no reportable action taken.

H. Remaining Agenda Items

   H.1. Hearing to Consider Adoption of a Resolution Of Necessity Of The Board Of Directors Of The Ramona Municipal Water District Pertaining To The Acquisition Of Certain Property And Interests In Property For Use By The District In Its Emergency Spray Fields Project In Compliance With The Requirements Of Section 1245.230 Of The California Code Of Civil Procedure; Finding And Determining That The Public Interest, Convenience And Necessity Require The Acquisition By Eminent Domain; Finding The Acquisition Of The Subject Property Is Exempt From CEQA; And Authorizing The Payment Of Funds
Recommendation: District staff respectfully recommends that the Board receive the staff presentation, hold the required hearing, and approve the Resolution of Necessity.

President Robinson and Legal Counsel introduced the agenda item. District Engineer, Mike Metts, gave a presentation on the spray field project details and costs, the subject property details: APN's 284-110-37, 284-130-90 and 284-150-15 (approximately 48 acres) and steps to the eminent domain process. Project details included the beneficial aspects of the acquisition, which included the proximity to the San Vicente Plant and the existing infrastructure that has supplied recycled water to the property in question for many years. He also reviewed the alternatives considered and why they were rejected. The urgency of the need was described as storage constraints and rainfall patterns, and after careful consideration it was determined that this project most greatly benefited the public interest with the least private injury. Mr. Metts confirmed that statutory offer negotiations have occurred with the owners of record, but no agreement has been signed.

Legal counsel declared that the establishment of legal qualifications required for eminent domain were met and invited public comment prior to the close of the public hearing.

President Robinson opened the public hearing for comment at 3:36 p.m. to any interested parties. Legal counsel noted for the record that proper legal notice was given for the public hearing and the property owners were not present; there were also no speaker slips from the general public regarding this item.

President Robinson closed the public hearing at 3:37 p.m.

Board discussion followed regarding the consequences of not having adequate disposal options and how the District has struggled in the past to find viable options. The Board thanked staff for their work on this solution.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NUMBER 19-1539, RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY (Ace/Wadlington)** [Resolution No. 19-1539] by the following roll call vote:

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

**NOES:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**H.2. 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**

July 9, 2019 - 2:00 p.m.

President Robinson adjourned the meeting at 3:41 p.m.
Adjourn

Jim Robinson, President
Board of Directors
RAMONA MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT