

**VALLEY OF THE MOON WATER DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
August 6, 2013**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Valley of the Moon Water District was held on Tuesday, August 6, 2013, in the Board Chambers of the District Office at 19039 Bay Street, El Verano, California.

1. CALL TO ORDER - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - ROLL CALL

President Prushko called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call by **Deputy Secretary Walk** noted the following present:

Directors:	Ed Kenny Jon Foreman Meghan Peddicord Mark Heneveld Ron Prushko
General Manager:	Daniel Muelrath
District Personnel	Matt Fullner, Operations & Maintenance Supervisor Shari Walk, Office Supervisor
Public:	None

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A.** Minutes of the July 2, 2013 Board of Directors Meeting.
- B.** Mutual Aid Water Loan Agreement with Sonoma Developmental Center.

Item 3.B was removed for discussion.

In response to questions by **Vice President Heneveld**, **Director Peddicord** and **President Prushko**, General Manager Muelrath clarified the following:

- Any future changes to the agreement regarding water supply should be discussed during a meeting in which water supply issues were agenzized.
- The term of the agreement would be the date of signing, and it would automatically renew every 5 years.
- The agreement is negotiated at the State level, but the agreement will be signed by the Executive Director of the Sonoma Developmental Center.

On motion by **Director Foreman**, seconded by **Director Kenny**, and carried unanimously by a voice vote to adopt the consent calendar as shown.

4. PUBLIC HEARING - NONE

5. OPERATIONAL REPORTS

A. Monthly Financial Reports & Disbursements for June, 2013.

On motion by **Director Foreman**, seconded by **Director Peddicord**, and carried unanimously by a roll call vote to approve the monthly Financial Reports & Disbursements for the month of June 2013 in the amount of \$328,300.97.

B. Water Source Report.

Operations and Maintenance Supervisor Matt Fullner reported the following:

1. District demand for SCWA water has leveled off with the District wells being used to meet peak summer water demands. The plan is to continue to operate the wells through October to help reduce SCWA water demand.
2. There were no operational impacts when SCWA shut down the Sonoma aqueduct as part of their earthquake retrofit project. The District was kept abreast of all planning and day of construction activities through continuous communication with SCWA.
3. A power outage in the Chestnut Tank area required the District to use an emergency back-up generator to keep the facility operational.

6. PRESIDENT'S AND DIRECTORS' REPORTS OR COMMENTS

Vice President Heneveld commented that it seemed as if the SCWA was making an effort to communicate better with the contractors.

Director Foreman brought in an article regarding a 2012 Harvard study on fluoride.

President Prushko commented that since Sonoma County is getting into the power business, maybe we should look into the possibility of solar at our well sites. Mr. Muelrath said that the District has already evaluated all of its locations for solar and the only site that could generate enough power worth considering is the District office.

7. GENERAL MANAGER'S AND DISTRICT COUNSEL'S REPORTS

General Manager Daniel Muelrath reported on the following:

A. Technical & Water Advisory Committee Meetings of August 5th.

1. Temporary Urgency Change Order Update: The lines of actual storage and the critical curve are converging and are expected to cross in mid-September. If this happens flows likely will be lowered from Mendocino and Lake Sonoma flows maybe increased to minimize total flow impacts, however weather will continue to play a large factor in the outcome. City of Santa Rosa gave a nice presentation on their water-use efficiency program and what additional efforts they are doing this summer.
2. SCWA presentation on raising the Dam 2013. The inflatable dam holds back 36-38' of water depth.

B. VOMWD, City of Sonoma, Sonoma Valley County Sanitation District Meeting of July 22nd.

1. Sanitation Fee: There was general discussion about the sanitation fee and how it was impacting each other's operations and how to improve any processes. The Sanitation District will create an outreach message that will be going in their fall newsletter to customer. City of Sonoma and VOMWD will work with the Sanitation District to assist in getting the message out.
2. Water Conservation: SCWA gave an update on this summer's water condition. There was also discussion regarding long term conservation needs and the need for City of Sonoma to increase conservation efforts.
3. Future meetings: The general consensus was to have this group meeting as needed, but is expected to be quarterly.

Mr. Muelrath suggested moving into Closed Session at this time to accommodate the District's attorney's schedule.

President Prushko convened the meeting into Closed Session at 7:10 P.M.

9. CLOSED SESSION

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| <p style="margin-left: 40px;">A. Conference with legal counsel to consider pending litigation, pursuant to government code section 54956.9 (a) – “Hendrix Litigation”</p> |
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President Prushko reconvened from Closed Session at 7:27 P.M. There was nothing to report.

7. GENERAL MANAGER'S AND DISTRICT COUNSEL'S REPORTS (cont.)
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| <p>C. <u>ACWA Take it from the Tap Campaign Event held on July 19th.</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. There were presentations from agencies that have implemented take it from the tap campaigns. Three main benefits are to connect customers to where their water comes from, the high quality nature of it (i.e. showing them the value of our water) and health benefits from not drinking as much sugary drinks. 2. There were other presentations on hydration stations for schools and public locations. People, especially children do not like to use water fountains but will use these stations to refill water bottles. 3. Take it from the tap campaign has all the logo, marketing material, etc. required to start a campaign and it's all free. This item will be brought back to the Board for discussion at the next meeting to consider implementation. |
| <p>D. <u>Emergency Preparedness Training – Elected Officials & EOC Managers, scheduled for Sept. 27th.</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. This training is for elected officials and Emergency Operation Center Managers. There are lots of different training opportunities for EOC's but there are very few that combine the training with elected officials. The training will cover roles, responsibilities and what to expect for elected officials in the event of an emergency. Board members were asked who would be interested in attending and Director Foreman and Director Peddicord both expressed interest. |

8. OLD/NEW BUSINESS - NONE

10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by **Vice President Heneveld**, seconded by **Director Foreman**, and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 P.M. The next scheduled meeting is a regular meeting on September 3, 2013 at 6:30 P.M.

Shari Walk, Deputy Board Secretary

Ron Prushko, Board President