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SUMMARY ACTION MINUTES Regular Meeting of Wednesday, October 03, 2018

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Austin called the meeting to order and recognized a quorum.

Present: Linda Austin, Chair, Oceano Community Services District

Barbara Nicolls, Vice Chair, City of Grover Beach

Jim Hill, Director, City of Arroyo Grande

District Staff: Jeremy Ghent, District Administrator

Gil Trujillo, District Legal Counsel

Amy Simpson, District Bookkeeper/Secretary

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Austin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. AGENDA REVIEW

Approved as presented.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT APPEARING ON AGENDA

Chair Austin opened the Public Comment period.

Kris Victorine commented on the bylaws; participation and civility at public meetings.

Julie Tacker commented on rescinding the censure of Director Hill; requested a censure of former Chair John Shoals; correction to the record of former Director Mary Lucey and Chair Austin's comments at the last meeting regarding Oceano.

Chair Austin closed the Public Comment period.

5. CONSENT AGENDA:

- 5A. Approval of Warrants
- 5B. Approval of Meeting Minutes of September 19, 2018

District Bookkeeper announced there was a correction to the Warrant Register and the Minutes of September 19, 20018. The corrections were to the *Total* column of the Warrant Register and the title of Item 6A. *District Administrators* and Plant Operations Report.

Chair Austin opened the Public Comment period.

Julie Tacker commented on the Minutes specifically the portion where Chair Austin responds to the Public Comments Not on the Agenda.

Kelly Myrich commented on the previous speaker.

Coleen Kubel commented on the right to give public comment.

Chair Austin closed the Public Comment period.

Motion: Director Nicolls motioned to approve the Consent Agenda as

presented.

Second: Director Hill

Action: Approved unanimously by voice vote. 3-0

6. ACTION ITEMS:

6A. District Administrator and Plant Operations Report

Administrator Ghent presented this item. He said Kennedy Jenks had submitted 60% of engineers cost estimate for the redundancy project. Representatives from Kennedy Jenks, Cannon and MKN were at the plant to discuss and receive comments from District staff regarding the new estimate. The rental centrifuge is expected to be returned around November 1. The Superintended and Lab Technician are revising a Standard Operations Procedure (SOP) document for the brine program that will be presented to the Board for a receive and file. Last week Administrator Ghent attended the CSDA conference that was focused on Special Districts. He found it very informative and has brought back new ideas to staff. Central Coast Blue has continued meetings.

Administrator Ghent also presented the Plant Operations Report. He said the plant is running well and the numbers are compliant with the National Pollutant Discharged Elimination System (NPDES) permit. The digester startup caused a sulfite exceedance. Staff had notified Air Pollution Control District (APCD) in advance of the startup and let them know that there was a possibility for an exceedance.

Chair Austin opened the Public Comment period.

Julie Tacker commented on the Redundancy Project and the Rate Study.

Ron Arnoldson commented on the presentation of the Plant Operations Report being done in person by the Superintendent.

Chair Austin closed the Public Comment period.

Action: The Board received and filed the report.

6B. Review of Redundancy Project 60% Engineer's Cost Estimate

Administrator Ghent presented this item. He went over the contributing factors to the changes in costs between the 30% estimate and the current 60% estimate. Total project costs have increased by approximately \$5 million between 30% Design and 60% Design. Construction costs are now estimated at \$21.6 million and total project costs are estimated at \$28.0 million. The following three areas account for nearly 90% of the increases.

- Project Change Request (PCR) 8 which added major rehabilitation to the plant's existing secondary clarifier.
- Construction costs for the new aeration basins.
- Additional improvements to the electrical systems.

Staff will be working with Bartle Wells to develop 'Summary Funding Scenarios' that will assess the current funding market and the updated cost estimates.

Director Hill clarified that this is 100% estimated cost of the project at the 60% design point.

Chair Austin opened the Public Comment period.

Julie Tacker had a question regarding the Bartle Wells contract and todays bid climate; the climbing cost of this project and the analysis of lost time value.

Ron Arnoldson commended the new Administrator.

Chair Austin closed the Public Comment period.

The Board received and filed this report.

7. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

7A. Written Communication Received

Special District Risk Management Authority (SDRMA) Letter Re: No Paid Property/Liability Claims in 2017-18

Administrator Ghent said SDRMA recognized the District for no claims regarding safety and not using the insurance in Fiscal Year 2017-18.

8. BOARD MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

Director Hill requested an update for the Inflow and Infiltration Study.

9. CLOSED SESSION:

(A) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Initiation of litigation pursuant to subdivision (d)(4) of Section 54956.9: (one potential case).

Legal Counsel Trujillo announced Closed Session.

Chair Austin opened the Public Comment period.

Julie Tacker, Ron Arnoldson and Sharlotte Wilson commented on Closed Session.

Chair Austin closed the Public Comment period.

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 6:39 p.m.

The Board reconvened from Closed Session at 6:44 p.m.

The Board took no reportable action.

10. ADJOURN MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

THESE MINUTES WERE APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AT THE MEETING OF OCTOBER 17, 208.