

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
(ROUND TABLE DISCUSSIONS)
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
RAINBOW MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
AUGUST 2, 2007**

1. **CALL TO ORDER** - The Special Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Rainbow Municipal Water District on August 2, 2007 was called to order by President Petty at 10:07 a.m. in the Board Room of the District, 3707 Old Highway 395, Fallbrook, CA 92028. President Petty presiding.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **ROLL CALL:** President Petty; Directors Griffiths, McManigle, and Walson. Director Lucy was absent. Also present were: Gene Buckley, Interim General Manager and Finance Manager; Chuck Sneed, Operations Manager; Sherry Rebueno, Assistant Engineer; René Bush, Human Resources Administrator, and Dawn Washburn, Board Secretary. Eleven members of the public were present.
4. **PUBLIC COMMENT RELATING TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

Director Walson said he was hoping they could uncover the common challenges and then work on those along with the other agencies.

Fred Thompson from the San Diego City of Ten thanked the Board for the opportunity to visit Rainbow.

The attendees introduced themselves to the group.

Helene Brazier noted the number of topics to be discussed and recommended that Items #4, #8, #9 and #10 be left to the end due to the fact they are primarily RMWD issues.

5. **ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION WITH DISTRICT MANAGEMENT AND BOARD MEMBERS REGARDING NORTH COUNTY REGIONAL ISSUES AND CHALLENGES WITH CITY OF SAN DIEGO REPRESENTATIVES TO THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY**

The round table discussion began with the North County general managers briefly describing their respective agency's current challenges and projects. The City of San Diego representatives spoke of the current challenges and project facing SDCWA. Mr. Buckley followed by speaking on the issues and challenges facing RMWD.

- **IAWP AGRICULTURAL CUTBACK CHALLENGES**

President Petty noted this matter was a politically hot topic. It was noted the agricultural discount had generated approximately \$120,000,000 in savings.

Gary Arant commented on the meeting held at Eastern Municipal Water District and how it was noted SDCWA has taken its maximum allocation in 2006-07 which would be good for their member agencies. He stated Metropolitan appeared to be fair in how they are addressing the

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cutback and ensuring it will only apply to agricultural customers. He said the bottom line is that MWD wants a 30% reduction starting January 1, 2008 that could potentially last up to five years.

Discussion ensued regarding water allocation to both new and existing agricultural customers.

Discussion ensued regarding the severity of the cutback as well as the associated penalties to those who do not comply.

President Petty proposed the agencies present work together to work through the cutback in order to ensure there are no misconceptions or miscommunications. It was noted SDCWA will be holding a meeting in the near future to address this matter where it will be attempted to get everyone as close to on the same page as possible.

It was noted the agencies need to submit their plan to SDCWA by August 16, 2007.

- **WATER STORAGE IN NORTH COUNTY**

Discussion ensued regarding the storage capacity at RMWD and how it could be utilized to work with other agencies.

- **YUIMA PIPELINE PROJECT**

This item was not discussed.

- **D.H.S. COORDINATION AND UPDATE**

This item was not discussed.

- **AGENCY COOPERATION/COORDINATION**

It was noted a high degree of cooperation already exists for all of the major issues.

- **DESALINATION**

Discussion ensued regarding the role desalination will play in increasing the local agencies' reliability of water supply.

- **COMPARISON OF DISINFECTION PROCESSES INCLUDING CHLORINE GAS, SODIUM HYPOCHLORITE (LIQUID), ON-SITE GENERATION, CALCIUM HYPOCHLORITE (TABLET) AND ULTRA VIOLET**

This item was not discussed.

- **RMWD'S BUDGET CHALLENGES**

This item was not discussed.

- **RMWD'S WASTE COLLECTION CHALLENGES**

This item was not discussed.

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- **RMWD'S LOCAL WATER SUPPLY CHALLENGES**

This item was not discussed.

The board thanked the attendees for their participation and noted the great worthiness of this meeting.

6. ADJOURNMENT - To Infrastructure Tour at 11:24 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned to a tour of RMWD's infrastructure at 11:24 a.m.

Rua Petty, Board President

Dawn M. Washburn, Board Secretary

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