

**MINUTES OF THE ENGINEERING COMMITTEE MEETING
OF THE RAINBOW MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
JULY 1, 2015**

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – The Engineering Committee Meeting of the Rainbow Municipal Water District on July 1, 2015 was called to order by Chairperson Prince at 3:01 p.m. in the Board Room of the District, 3707 Old Highway 395, Fallbrook, CA 92028. Chairperson Prince, presiding.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **ROLL CALL:**

Present: Member Brazier
Member Taufer
Member Stitle
Member Prince
Member Kirby
Alternate Kirkpatrick

Absent: Member Rhyne
Alternate Strapac

Also Present: General Manager Kennedy and Assistant Rubio

Dr. Robertson, Mr. Murray, Mr. Ratican and one other public member were present.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT RELATING TO ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Ms. Brazier commented in the past there have been comments from a number of sources on how poorly attended the Engineering Committee Meetings were in addition to having numerous cancellations due to lack of quorum. She pointed out after reviewing the past agenda packages during the JPA era she discovered many Engineering Committee Meetings were cancelled due to the direction of Mr. Brady and not for lack of quorum. She stated the Engineering Committee Meeting's record of attendance was one of the best even though it does not look that way due to the cancelled meetings. Discussion ensued.

COMMITTEE ACTION ITEMS

5. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS AND CHANGES TO COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

Mr. Kennedy said there are three public members interested in joining the Engineering Committee. He mentioned Ms. Rhyne was willing to step down and Mr. Strapac had not been able to attend for quite some time. He suggested removing Ms. Rhyne, Mr. Strapac and Mrs. Kirkpatrick to allow the addition of the three new public members.

ACTION:

Moved by Mr. Stitle to appoint to the Engineering Committee Mr. Murray and Mr. Ratican as Members, Dr. Robertson and Mrs. Kirkpatrick as Alternate Members, and remove Ms. Rhyne and Mr. Strapac as Members. Seconded by Brazier.

After consideration, the motion CARRIED by the following vote:

AYES: Member Brazier, Member Taufer, Member Prince, Member Stitle, Member Kirkpatrick and Mr. Kirby.
NOES: None.
ABSTAINED: None.
ABSENT: Member Strapac and Member Rhyne.

6. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING GOLF GREEN ESTATES JOINT USE AGREEMENT

Mrs. Kirkpatrick said in order to process the final map for the Golf Green Estates a 94 Lot development next to Bonsall Elementary School the County of San Diego has requested specific language in the Joint Use Agreement. She referred to the two handouts a highlighted joint use statement and a page out of the final map. She summarized the easement requirements for the areas only affecting County roads as follows:

- If the County needs to disturb the area or move any facilities it would be at their cost.
- If the District needs to disturb the area or move any facilities it would be at the District's cost.
- If the District vacates the land the easement would be surrendered.

She mentioned the Joint Use Agreement would be executed by Bonsall Elementary School, SDG&E and the District, which all have easements on County roads. Discussion ensued.

ACTION:

Moved by Ms. Brazier to recommend to the Board to accept the Joint Use Agreement. Seconded by Mr. Stitle. After consideration, the motion CARRIED by the following vote:

AYES: Member Brazier, Member Taufer, Member Prince, Member Stitle, Member Kirkpatrick and Mr. Kirby.
NOES: None.
ABSTAINED: None.
ABSENT: Member Strapac.

7. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE GIRD TO MONSERATE HILL REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Mrs. Kirkpatrick provided a map of the Gird to Monserate Hill Pipeline. She explained approximately 12 years ago the pipeline broke in the Live Oak Creek area and repair efforts were too difficult due to the depth of the pipeline, therefore it was isolated. She said request for proposals to assess the pipeline and recommend a PDR for repair or replacement were solicited. She stated proposals were received from Tetra Tech Inc., Psomas and J.C. Heden & Associates. She said a preliminary review of the proposals was conducted by staff and she would appreciate volunteers from the Engineering Committee to review and provide comments within a week. Mr. Kirby, Mr. Stitle and Mr. Murray volunteered.

Mrs. Kirkpatrick said the existing 10-inch pipeline was made of steel and served approximately 200 customers. She mentioned the pipeline would have to be assessed to determine if the entire pipeline would have to be repaired or just part of it. She stated the as-builts did not match the actual depth of the pipeline and pointed out during excavation it was discovered dive deep underneath the creek. Discussion ensued.

8. MASTER PLAN UPDATE

Mrs. Kirkpatrick asked if there were any comments regarding the Wastewater Treatment/Reclamation Plant (WRP) Study to forward to the Consultant for review. She acknowledge there were no comments from the Committee Members.

Mr. Kennedy said one of the items being reviewed were locations for the WRP. He observed possible locations off of Old River Road by Lift Station 2, which would allow pumping recycled water back and avoid the risk of pumping wastewater.

Mr. Kennedy said the Consultant was diverted to prepare a report to identify the costs associated with wastewater services for the Meadowood Development based on an agreement with Valley Center Municipal Water District. He mentioned the Consultant recently provided a preliminary draft report to be reviewed by staff.

Mr. Kennedy mentioned based on the options to build a WRP or not do anything it would be more costly to not do anything. He said if the Board decides to choose one of the other options they would want it at a reduced cost. He pointed out based on the Strategic Planning process a large measure to consider would be to build out the system to obtain the most recycled water. He said the majority of the customers he has talked to are interested in the availability of more water and these projects would support this need. He said the overall state water restrictions would not apply to District owned reclaimed water.

Dr. Robertson said if the District uses and reclaims all of its water then the state does not have any control of that water, which would allow the District to substitute that water for good water. He stated having full control would be the goal. Discussion ensued.

9. LAFCO UPDATE

Mr. Kennedy said the District has scheduled two community meetings one at Bonsall and the second one at Rainbow. He mentioned the purpose of the meetings were to allow questions and answers and to inform the customers of the protest process. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Kennedy said the LAFCO Commission Meeting was scheduled for July 6, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the San Diego County building and everyone was welcomed to attend. He mentioned the hearing would most likely be continued due to Mr. Horn's absence and the fact that this was regarding his District.

Mr. Kennedy said if an election was called it would have to be held by FPUD and would probably go on the June primaries due to cost.

Dr. Robertson asked as a potential member of the Engineering Committee would he be allowed to speak out against the takeover. Mr. Kennedy replied yes. Discussion ensued.

10. LIST OF SUGGESTED AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT SCHEDULED ENGINEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

The following agenda items were suggested for the next scheduled Engineering Committee Meeting: Master Plan Update, LAFCO Update, Strategic Plan, Ground Water Supply and the Sewer Policy.

11. ADJOURNMENT

ACTION:

Moved by Ms. Brazier to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Stitle. After consideration, the motion CARRIED by the following vote:

AYES: Member Brazier, Member Taufer, Member Prince, Member Stitle, Member Kirkpatrick and Mr. Kirby.

NOES: None.

ABSTAINED: None.

ABSENT: Member Strapac.

The Meeting adjourned at 4:13 p.m.

Timothy Prince, Committee Chairperson

Dawn M. Washburn, Board Secretary