

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE MONTE VISTA WATER DISTRICT**

July 26, 2023

DIRECTORS PRESENT

Sandra Rose, President
G. Michael Milhiser, Vice President
Tony Lopez, Board Auditor
Philip Erwin, Director
Manny Martinez, Director

DIRECTORS ABSENT

None.

STAFF PRESENT

Justin Scott-Coe, General Manager
Andrew Gagen, Legal Counsel
Stephanie Reimer, Assistant General Manager/Chief Financial Officer
Bill Schwartz, Director of Engineering, Operations and Maintenance
Juan Ventura, Customer Service and Information Technology Manager
Brandi Goodman-Decoud, Executive Assistant II

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

None.

ITEM 1: CALL TO ORDER/FLAG SALUTE

President Rose called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
Ms. Stephanie Reimer led those assembled in the Flag Salute.

ITEM 2: PRESENTATION

A. California Society of Municipal Finance Officers Budget Award

This item was pulled from the agenda and will be presented at a future meeting.

ITEM 3: ROLL CALL

Ms. Brandi Goodman-Decoud called roll and noted all members as present.

ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENT/OPEN FORUM

There were no public comments.

ITEM 5: AGENDA CHANGES/ADDITIONS

Item 2 was pulled from the agenda.

ITEM 6: CONSENT CALENDAR

Upon motion by Director Erwin, seconded by Vice President Milhiser, and unanimously carried:

M23-07-04

MOVED: Approve the Consent Calendar, as by roll call vote:

A. Meeting Minutes of July 12: Approve as presented.

President Rose	aye
Vice President Milhiser	aye
Board Auditor Lopez	aye
Director Erwin	aye
Director Martinez	aye

ITEM 7: DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ITEMS

A. Monte Vista Water District Policy Review

Ms. Stephanie Reimer provided a brief presentation on the annual policy review.

Director Martinez stated that he was glad to see the Comprehensive Policy Manual is viewable online and available to the public. President Rose concurred and expressed her appreciation for the transparency.

This item was received and filed.

B. Capital Project Closures for Fiscal Years Ending 2020 through 2023

Mr. Bill Schwartz provided a brief update of capital project closures.

President Rose inquired if there was any advantage to the public to begin asset depreciation as soon as possible. Ms. Reimer stated that there is no tax advantage, but that doing so creates an accurate internal record-keeping and tracking process.

This item was received and filed.

ITEM 8: GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT

In addition to the written report, Mr. Justin Scott-Coe briefed the Board on issues and activities of the past two weeks. Topics covered included results of the American Water Works Association’s nationwide survey to assess public confidence in U.S. drinking water; July is Smart Irrigation Month as well as Ransomware Awareness Month; 24 customers received pledges through the District’s second Low-Income Water Assistance Program Payment Enrollment Open House; Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting awarded to the District from the Government Finance Officers Association for annual comprehensive financial report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022; urgent request from the State for water agencies to participate in statewide energy load shedding efforts; Association of California Water Agencies upcoming election for Board Officers, President and Vice President, and Region 9 Board; August 23 Board meeting to be cancelled and a special Board meeting to be scheduled on August 30 for a rate-setting workshop; and various events.

ITEM 9: INFORMATION ITEMS

Information items were included in the agenda packet.

ITEM 10: BOARD COMMENTS (including reports on conferences/meetings attended at District expense)

Vice President Milhiser stated that the Water Facilities Authority decided to delay the Rialto Feeder closure from December 2023 to February 2025.

Board Auditor Lopez stated that he will be attending the Built on Water: Ontario and Inland Southern California event at the Ontario Museum of History and Art on July 27.

Director Martinez attended the Pure Water Southern California event hosted by Metropolitan Water District on July 19.

ITEM 11: CLOSED SESSION

There was no closed session.

ITEM 12: ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Director Erwin, seconded by Vice President Milhiser, and unanimously carried:

M23-07-05

MOVED: Approve to adjourn the meeting, as by roll call vote:

President Rose	aye
Vice President Milhiser	aye
Board Auditor Lopez	aye
Director Erwin	aye
Director Martinez	aye

There being no further business, President Rose adjourned the meeting at 7:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Justin M. Scott-Coe
General Manager/Secretary