

**September 27, 2006**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**7:30 p.m.**

The Board of Directors of the San Benito County Water District convened in regular session on Wednesday, August 30, 2006 at 7:30 p.m. at the San Benito County Water District office at 30 Mansfield Road, Hollister, California. Members present were: Directors Ken Perry, Sonny Flores and Frank Bettencourt. President Tobias and Vice President Swanson were absent. Also present were Deputy District Engineer Jeff Cattaneo, District Counsel David E. Pipal, Administration and Finance Manager Shelley Giancola, and Office Specialist II Barbara L. Mauro.

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Director Perry.

- a Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.**  
Director Perry led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
- b Approval of Agenda**  
Upon a motion made by Director Bettencourt and seconded by Director Flores, the Agenda was unanimously approved.
- c Public Input**  
No public comments were made.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- 1. Approval of Minutes for August 30, 2006 and September 13, 2006**  
Upon a motion made by Director Bettencourt and seconded by Director Flores, the minutes were unanimously approved.
- 2. Allowance of Claims**  
Director Bettencourt had questions on two items. The first item was payment to Evergreen Oil, which Mr. Cattaneo stated was for disposal of old paint. The second item was payment to H.T. Harvey. Mr. Cattaneo stated the payment was for Special Status Species for San Justo and Hollister Conduit but not for Hernandez. Director Perry asked that the Board combine Item 2 and 3, after discussion, for approval.
- 3. Consider Resolution Designating Agents Authorized To Make Transfers On The Local Agency Investment Fund**  
Mr. Cattaneo stated that the resolution distributed in the packets was incorrect. It should be two out of the four agents must sign, not two of three. Upon a motion made by Director Bettencourt and seconded by Director Flores, Resolution #2006-14, *A Resolution of the San Benito County Board of Directors Designating Agents Authorized To Make Transfers On The Local Agency Investment Fund* and the allowance of claims were unanimously approved.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

### **4. Hernandez Dam Access Road Emergency Repair**

Mr. Cattaneo stated this is a continued item from the spring. The District is seeking to obtain an easement which involves two properties. Mr. Cattaneo stated the District has a signed agreement from one of the landowners and is continuing to negotiate with the second. Director Perry asked if this repair will be completed prior to winter and Mr. Cattaneo stated that it is not clear at this point. Mr. Pipal stated that Bill Chisum of Kronick, Moskovitz, Tiedeman and Girard, is working on this matter, including immanent domain. Mr. Cattaneo stated once the District has notification of access, it will take 2-3 weeks to contract with a local contractor and the District engineering staff will oversee this project.

### **5. Status Report on San Justo Reservoir**

Mr. Cattaneo reported that the District continues to operate above our limit at San Justo. During peak demands, there is no additional capacity in the Hollister Conduit. Mr. Cattaneo stated we would have a problem if we added new customers. The District is currently operating at the restricted 485 foot elevation limit at San Justo. Director Bettencourt asked if there are any problems at the laterals and Mr. Cattaneo stated right now all are o.k. Mr. Cattaneo also reported that if the demand on the system is increased next year, it will be more difficult.

### **6. Agency/Committee Representative Reports:**

#### **a. San Luis Delta Mendota Water Authority (Perry/Tobias)**

Nothing to report as per Director Perry.

#### **b. Pajaro River Watershed Flood Prevention Authority (Perry/Bettencourt)**

Director Perry asked Mr. Cattaneo to report on the Board Meeting last week. Mr. Cattaneo reported there were not enough members in attendance to have a quorum, so no official meeting was held and the budget will be continued until the November meeting.

#### **c. Hollister Urban Area Water and Wastewater Master Plan**

Director Perry stated there was no meeting held in September. Mr. Cattaneo stated there will be a meeting on October 18, 2006. Also, Mr. Blohm made a presentation to the San Benito County Board of Supervisors on Tuesday, September 26<sup>th</sup>.

#### **d. Grants Committee (Swanson/Bettencourt)**

Mr. Cattaneo reported that the meeting scheduled for tonight was cancelled. Mr. Cattaneo continued that we will reschedule, as several items before the committee are time sensitive.

#### **e. Audit/Budget Committee (Swanson/Bettencourt)**

Last week's meeting was cancelled and has not been rescheduled.

**7. District Manager/Engineer's Report**

**a. USBR Contracts**

Mr. Cattaneo stated there are several points to be resolved at staff level. The District is going forward to renew or not review and use this as the foundation.

**b. October Board Meetings**

Mr. Cattaneo reported we are planning two special meetings in October. The October 11<sup>th</sup> Special Meeting will be for the USBR Contract and a follow up meeting on October 19<sup>th</sup>. The meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> will include a presentation from URS for the San Justo work plan. Mr. Cattaneo stated both of these meetings are scheduled for 5:30 p.m. Director Bettencourt asked if the intent of these meetings is to bring the Board of Directors up to date on the USBR Contract and Mr. Cattaneo said yes.

**c. SBCWD Budget**

Mr. Cattaneo stated the District is still working on the budget and hopes to bring it before the Board at the Regular Board Meeting in October.

**8. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

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*Minutes were approved at the October 25, 2006, Regular Board meeting and signed by the presiding board member.*

*/s/John Tobias*  
John Tobias, President

*/s/Barbara L. Mauro*  
Barbara L. Mauro, Board Secretary