



# Marina Coast Water District

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Regular Board Meeting/Groundwater Sustainability Agency Board Meeting  
May 15, 2023

### Minutes

#### 1. Call to Order:

President Shriner called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. on May 15, 2023 both in-person at 920 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Suite A, Marina, California; and, via Zoom teleconference. President Shriner then proceeded with a land acknowledgement. “As Marina Coast Water District celebrates its 63rd year providing publicly owned water service to its customers in Marina and the Ord Community, we acknowledge that our service is located on the traditional lands of the Esselen people. They are known today as the Ohlone/Constanoan-Esselen Nation. We respect their elders, past, present, and emerging, for they hold the memories, traditions, culture, and hopes of the Esselen people. We also acknowledge the government of the Ohlone/Coastanoan-Esselen Nation and appreciate the spiritual role it plays today in preserving the cultural, historical and heritage beliefs of the Esselen people. We are grateful that they share their traditional lands with us.”

#### 2. Roll Call:

##### Board Members Present:

Jan Shriner – President  
Herbert Cortez – Vice President  
Thomas P. Moore  
Gail Morton  
Brad Imamura – arrived at 6:39 p.m.

##### Board Members Absent:

None.

##### Staff Members Present:

Remleh Scherzinger, General Manager  
Roger Masuda, District Counsel  
Derek Cray, Operations and Maintenance Manager  
Mary Lagasca, Director of Administrative Services  
Patrick Breen, Water Resources Manager  
Garret Haertel, District Engineer  
Teo Espero, IT Administrator  
Paula Riso, Executive Assistant/Clerk to the Board

Agenda Item 2 (continued):

Audience Members:

Andy Sterbenz, Schaaf & Wheeler  
Sarah Beeson, MCWD  
Stephenie Verduzco, MCWD  
Josh Goncalves, MCWD  
Alexia Rapoport  
Don Hofer, Shea Homes  
Doug Yount, Shea Homes

3. Pledge of Allegiance:

Director Morton led everyone present in the pledge of allegiance.

4. Oral Communications:

There were no public comments made.

5. Presentation:

A. Adopt Resolution No. 2023-16 to Recognize Corey Luongo, Lead Operator, for 5 Years of Service to the Marina Coast Water District:

Mr. Derek Cray, Operations and Maintenance Manager, introduced this item congratulating Mr. Luongo for his five years at the District and wished him many more years to come. Ms. Sarah Beeson, MCWD employee, congratulated Mr. Luongo and voiced her pleasure in working with him in the Operations and Maintenance department.

Director Moore made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2023-16 to recognize Corey Luongo, Lead Operator, for 5 years of service to the Marina Coast Water District. Director Morton seconded the motion. The motion was passed by the following vote:

Director Imamura	-	Yes	Vice President Cortez	-	Yes
Director Moore	-	Yes	President Shriner	-	Yes
Director Morton	-	Yes			

President Shriner read the narration of the Resolution.

6. Consent Calendar:

Director Imamura requested to pull Items D, and F, from the Consent Calendar. Director Morton requested to pull Item E from the Consent Calendar.

Agenda Item 6 (continued):

Director Moore made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar consisting of: A) Receive and File the Check Register for the Month of April 2023; B) Approve the Draft Minutes of the Regular Joint Board/GSA Meeting of April 17, 2023; and, C) Approve the Draft Minutes of the Special Joint Board/GSA Meeting of May 2, 2023. Vice President Cortez seconded the motion. The motion was passed by the following vote:

Director Imamura	-	Yes	Vice President Cortez	-	Yes
Director Moore	-	Yes	President Shriner	-	Yes
Director Morton	-	Yes			

D. Adopt Resolution No. 2023-17 Rescinding the Water Shortage Contingency Plan Stage 2 and Declaring Normal Water Conditions Exist:

Director Imamura asked what ‘normal’ water conditions meant and suggested that the District keep encouraging water conservation so we will be prepared for the next water shortage. Director Morton commented that she agrees with Director Imamura and suggested updating appropriate policies and/or ordinance.

Director Morton made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2023-17 rescinding the Water Shortage Contingency Plan Stage 2 and declaring normal water conditions exist, and direct staff to work on updating the policy and Ordinance. Director Imamura seconded the motion. The motion was passed by the following vote:

Director Imamura	-	Yes	Vice President Cortez	-	Yes
Director Moore	-	Yes	President Shriner	-	Yes
Director Morton	-	Yes			

E. Adopt Resolution No. 2023-18 to Award a Sole Source Contract to Calcon Systems for Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) and Motor Control Center (MCC) On-Call Services:

Director Morton questioned cyber security and asked if the company has vetted their employees who work on the system. Mr. Cray answered their employees are vetted by Calcon company.

Director Morton made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2023-18 to award a Sole Source Contract to Calcon Systems for Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) and Motor Control Center (MCC) On-Call Services. Director Moore seconded the motion. The motion was passed by the following vote:

Director Imamura	-	Yes	Vice President Cortez	-	Yes
Director Moore	-	Yes	President Shriner	-	Yes
Director Morton	-	Yes			

F. Adopt Resolution No. 2023-19 to Award a Contract to the Don Chapin Company, Inc., and Monterey Peninsula Engineering for On-Call Construction Services:

Director Imamura asked why only two of the six companies responded to the Request for Qualifications. Mr. Cray answered that many companies don't want to get locked into a 5-year contract. Discussion followed.

Director Imamura made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2023-19 to award a contract to the Don Chapin Company, Inc., and Monterey Peninsula Engineering for On-Call Construction Services. Director Moore seconded the motion. The motion was passed by the following vote:

Director Imamura	-	Yes	Vice President Cortez	-	Yes
Director Moore	-	Yes	President Shriner	-	Yes
Director Morton	-	Yes			

7. Staff Report:

A. Receive the First Quarter Investment Report for Calendar Year 2023:

Ms. Mary Lagasca, Director of Administrative Services, introduced this item and reviewed the first quarter investment report with the Board.

8. Budget Workshop:

A. Receive Presentation on the Proposed FY 2023-2024 District Budget and Provide Direction Regarding Preparation of the Final Budget Documents:

Ms. Lagasca introduced this item, noting a list of corrections made since the packet was sent out the previous week, was provided. She gave a brief presentation on the proposed FY 2023-2024 District budget. The Board asked clarifying questions and Director Moore suggested reviewing and possibly revising policy 6.08.070 regarding reserves. The Board suggested some edits to the budget, and voiced their appreciation of the excellent job staff did on the presentation and appearance of the budget.

Mr. Doug Yount, Shea Homes, commented that the budget presentation was excellent, professional, and appreciated the ease and clarity of the budget documentation. He suggested that the funds be separated in the slides and not just a summary. He asked that the updated budget and presentation slides be provided. Staff will make sure they are available on the District website for review.

Mr. Don Hofer, Shea Homes, also noted that the budget was well done and appreciated the quality of the document. He stated that he noticed some of the developer funded projects were not shown in the current budget and hoped to review it more clearly.

Staff will work with Mr. Hofer to ensure all the parties are in agreement with the proposed projects.

9. Informational Items:

A. General Manager's Report:

Mr. Scherzinger thanked Ms. Lagasca for all the hard work, time, and effort she and other managers put into pulling the budget together.

B. Committee and Board Liaison Reports:

1. Budget and Engineering Committee:

Director Morton gave a brief update.

2. M1W Board Member Liaison:

Director Moore gave a brief update.

10. Board Member Requests for Future Agenda Items:

The Board asked for an update to the Water Conservation Ordinance, the Water Shortage Contingency Plan, and the Reserve Policy.


11. Director's Comments:

Director Imamura, Director Moore, Director Morton, Vice President Cortez, and President Shriner made comments.

12. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

APPROVED:

  
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Jan Shriner, President

ATTEST:

  
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Paula Riso, Deputy Secretary