

MINUTES

RAYMOND BASIN MANAGEMENT BOARD
REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, January 16, 2008

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT AND PARTIES REPRESENTED

Chris Burt	Kinneloa Irrigation District East Pasadena Water Company Huntington Library and Art Gallery
Chris Cimino	City of Sierra Madre
Mike Hart	Sunny Slope Water Company
Bob Hayward	Lincoln Avenue Water Company La Canada Irrigation District Las Flores Water Company Pasadena Cemetery Association Valley Water Company
Shan Kwan	City of Pasadena
Pat Malloy	City of Arcadia
Christine Montan	City of Alhambra
Raul Saenz	California-American Water Company
Charles Shaw	San Gabriel County Water District
Lillian Woods	Rubio Canon Land and Water

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

NONE

ADDITIONAL PARTY REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT

Sean Lahmeyer	Huntington Library and Art Gallery
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OTHERS PRESENT

Brad Boman	City of Pasadena
Christine Borja	Raymond Basin Management Board
Donna DiLaura	Raymond Basin Management Board
Larry Duncan	Lincoln Avenue Water Company
Kathy Kunysz	Metropolitan Water District
Martin Ray	City of Alhambra
Tom Tait	City of Arcadia
Anthony Zampielo	Raymond Basin Management Board

1. PRELIMINARY ITEMS

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Pat Malloy, Chair. It was determined that a quorum was present, and Mr. Malloy led the group in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

On motion made by Director Montan, seconded by Director Shaw, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the October 17, 2007 meeting were approved, as presented.

2. REPORT FROM OTHER PARTIES

Mr. Brad Boman, City of Pasadena, distributed copies of a letter from Pasadena Water and Power dated October 24, 2007, to Jet Propulsion Laboratory, advising them of the schedule for construction of a percolation pond on the northeast side of the Hahamongna Watershed Park. The City proposes to begin construction in 2013 on the five acre site. Mr. Boman will update the Board on the progress of their proposal at future meetings.

Additionally, Mr. Boman reported that the City of Pasadena Parks Department may soon seek the support of Raymond Basin Management Board in regard to their attempt to have the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works remove the sediment from Hahamongna Watershed Park behind Devil's Gate Dam. Chair Malloy recommended that he contact Director Hart to add this item to the Pumping and Storage Committee agenda for further discussion. Lastly, Mr. Boman reported that the Pasadena Storage Program continues to move along. He stated that approval between all of the parties is expected in approximately one more month. In response to a question by Director Hayward, Mr. Boman stated that the delay is due to possible edits to the contract language and legal review of the agreement.

Ms. Kathy Kunysz, Metropolitan Water District, reported that the District expects to be advised of its preliminary State Water Project Allocation within the next week.

3. TREASURER'S REPORT

Director Hayward reported that as of December 31, 2007, the Raymond Basin Management Board (RBMB) has collected \$460,000 in Assessments, and \$7,155 from the Long-Term Storage Program. He noted that all expected 2007-08 revenues from both assessments have been received, and there is still the amount of \$572 in Long-Term Storage Program Revenue to be collected for fiscal year 2007-08. He also stated that, to date, the RBMB has spent \$169,163 (which includes Title 22, Salvage Credit, and FWC Expenditures), and currently has a balance of \$31,953 in receivables and \$1,026,573 in available cash (which includes FWC Funds).

On motion made by Director Shaw, seconded by Director Burt, and unanimously carried, the Raymond Basin Management Board's Treasurer's Report was received and filed.

4. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT AND APPROPRIATE ACTION

Mr. Zampielo, Executive Officer, reported that the Executive Committee met once since the last quarterly meeting. Due to lack of a Quorum, staff reviewed the January meeting agenda with Mr Malloy and briefed him on the items included and anticipated actions required. No formal action was taken.

Relative to legislative activities, Mr. Zampielo reported that he and Mr. Malloy, along with a delegation of Foothill Water Coalition (FWC) members, will be traveling to Washington D.C. January 28, 2008 to continue their efforts in obtaining a Federal appropriation through the WRDA bill. Ms. Montan reported that San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District recently approved the travel expense for two people to be a part of the delegation to D.C. Mr. Zampielo stated that another trip will be required in March of 2008 as well.

In regard to other FWC activities, Mr. Zampielo reported that the Coalition continues to meet on a monthly basis and is continuing to develop its public relations program 2009 objectives.

5. AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF GROUNDWATER STORAGE AGREEMENT BETWEEN RAYMOND BASIN MANAGEMENT BOARD, METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CITY OF PASADENA

Board action was postponed pending receipt of the final agreement from City of Pasadena and Metropolitan Water District.

6. ANNUAL REVIEW OF INVESTMENT POLICY

The Executive Officer reported that this item is an annual requirement of the original Resolution adopting the Board investment Policy (Resolution No. 20-0496). A copy of the Resolution is included in the Board packet and there are no changes recommended at this time.

7. PUMPING AND STORAGE COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Mike Hart, Chair of Pumping and Storage Committee, reported that the committee has met once since the last RBMB Regular Meeting and is considering the following items:

- 1) Status Report on Development of GW Monitoring and Management Plan Approach and Scope: Mr. Zampielo, reported that staff continues to coordinate the work authorized by the Executive Committee in September, 2007. Mr. Zampielo stated that he has received two technical memos from Stetson Engineers. He will be reviewing the memos and provide feedback to Stetson and the committee. Staff is drafting a scope of work

for Phase II of the GW Monitoring plan as the Phase I tasks are completed and will have a draft scope ready for Committee consideration by Summer 2008.

- 2) Current Procedures for Applying Decreed Rights, Spreading Credits and Long Term Storage to Groundwater Production: Mr. Zampielo reported that he presented a memo outlining Raymond Basin Procedures for applying Decreed Rights, Spreading Credits and Long term Storage to Groundwater Production to the Committee. The memorandum was requested by the committee due to questions raise by members as to current administrative practices. Mr. Hart stated that this memorandum is to serve as a description of the policies and procedures currently in place. He also stated that staff administrative practices relate directly to the Basin's Rules, Regulations and Judgment. The Committee was asked to review the document and provide feedback.
- 3) AB 303 State Grant Program: Mr. Hart stated that staff will be submitting an application to seek State funding through AB 303, Local Groundwater Assistance Program, which provides up to \$250,000 in matching funds for groundwater/operating safe yield projects. The City of Arcadia will act as the required public sponsor; however, Raymond Basin staff will perform all of the work associated with administering the grant.
- 4) Status Report on the Pasadena Groundwater Storage Program: Mr. Hart stated that MWD is expected to take action on the agreement at their February Board meeting. He also stated that Foothill Municipal Water District has declined to participate in the storage program; therefore reducing the total amount of storage by 7,000 acre-feet.

The next Pumping and Storage Committee meeting will be scheduled once staff has completed its review of Stetson's technical memos.

8. EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Mr. Zampielo reported that the Association of Groundwater Agencies (AGWA), in conjunction with the American Groundwater Trust, is hosting a one day water conference on February 11th in Ontario. He stated that registration information is available on line at www.agwt.org. He also reported that RBMB members are eligible for a member discount.

He also reported that the Monk Hill Task Force continues to meet on a regular basis. The task force is currently working on developing a list of current and proposed system interconnections for better use of the groundwater basin in conjunction with imported water connections to Foothill MWD.

Mr. Zampielo then reported that Main San Gabriel Basin Watermaster is hosting a special workshop on January 23, 2008, to discuss the potential impacts on Basin operations should imported replenishment water remain unavailable for the long term. The meeting will be held at the City of Azusa Light and Water Administration Facility, in the main conference room.

9. INFORMATION ITEMS

The Chair noted two information items were distributed with Board materials and ordered them received and filed.

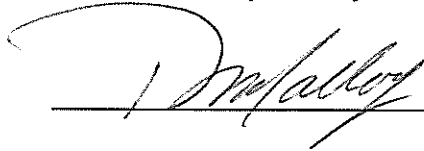
10. OTHER BUSINESS

Relative to the April RBMB Strategic Planning Retreat, a short discussion was held regarding whether the retreat and Quarterly Board Meeting should be held on the same day. The consensus was to schedule the retreat for a day long session and hold the quarterly meeting on a separate day. Also discussed was the need to provide a succession plan for the Board. In order to do so, Directors were encouraged to bring their "second in command" to the workshop in order to familiarize them with the RBMB goals and objectives.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, a motion was made by Director Burt, seconded by Director Hart, and unanimously carried, adjourning to the next Regular Board meeting on Wednesday, April 16, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. (Azusa). The meeting was adjourned in honor of Mr. Steve Anderson, Vice Chairman of Metropolitan Water District, who died unexpectedly this morning.

Pat Malloy, Chair



Attest:



Charles Shaw, Secretary