

DRAFT MINUTES
Special Meeting
Seaside Groundwater Basin Watermaster
April 19, 2006

Chair Rubio called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. in the Seaside Community Center, 220 Coe Avenue, Seaside, CA

I. CALL TO ORDER

Board members present:

City of Seaside--Mayor Ralph Rubio, Chairman
Laguna Seca Subarea Landowner—Bob Costa, Vice Chairman
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District—Director Michelle Knight, Secretary
California American Water—Steve Leonard, Vice President/Manager
City of Del Rey Oaks—Mayor Joe Russell
City of Monterey—Mayor Dan Albert (arrived 1:40 p.m.)
City of Sand City—Mayor David Pendergrass
Coastal Subarea Landowner—Paul Bruno
Monterey County/Monterey County Water Resources Agency—Jerry Smith, District 4 Supervisor

Board Members absent:

None

Administrator (Interim):

Curtis Weeks, Monterey County Water Resources Agency

On a motion by (unknown maker) and second by (unknown) the Watermaster Board approved, by a unanimous voice vote, the draft minutes of the April 5, 2005 Watermaster initial meeting, as amended per Board discussion noted below.

**II. APPROVAL OF
MINUTES OF APRIL 5,
2006**

Secretary Knight proposed the following amendments to the draft minutes: a) correction to show that City of Monterey was represented by Les Turnbaugh, Alternate (page 1) and the maker of second on motion to Establish Watermaster Account (page 6) ; and, b) to identify her by name on the list of Watermaster officers (page 2).

Vice Chairman Costa proposed the following amendments:

a) correct the number “4200,00” to “\$200,000” under the agenda item to Authorize Collection of Monitoring and Management Budget Assessment (page 7, line two); and
b).correct “natural real share” to “operating yield” under the agenda item regarding Establishment of Replenishment Assessments (page 6, para. 3, line six). Following further

discussion as to whether or not the latter correction should be “natural safe yield” or “operating yield” Chairman Rubio directed that the phrase used in the final minutes should reflect what was actually stated in the meeting.

In response to the Call to Order correction noted earlier, Chairman Rubio requested that the final minutes separately reflect Board members present and those absent.

There were no public comments on this agenda item.

In response to Chairman Rubio’s inquiry, there were no changes to the agenda proposed by Board members.

There were no public comments on this agenda item.

No public comments were received on this agenda item.

III. REVIEW OF AGENDA

IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION/ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

V. OLD BUSINESS

COMMITTEE REPORTS

AD HOC ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

On a motion by **Ms. Knight** and second by *(unknown)* the Watermaster Board, by unanimous voice vote, extended the deadline to Wednesday, April 26, 2006 for receipt of applications for Administrator.

Committee Chairman Joe Russell reported that several applications had been received for Watermaster Administrator from individuals and the two public agencies. However, because the Committee had not met to review those applications since the previous Watermaster Board meeting, he proposed that the application deadline be extended one week from today’s meeting. He stated that this extension would provide the Committee with additional time needed to review and provide its report at the May 3, 2006 Watermaster meeting.

There were no public comments on this item.

AD HOC RULES AND REGULATIONS COMMITTEE

The Watermaster Board received an oral report and no action was taken on this agenda item.

Jim Heisinger reported that he’s still taking comments

either orally or in writing on the draft Watermaster Rules and Regulations in the agenda packet for this meeting. Mr. Heisinger advised that he expects the document to be ready for Watermaster Board discussion and consideration at its May 3, 2006 meeting.

There were no public comments on this item.

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

The Watermaster Board received an oral report and no action was taken on this agenda item.

Diana Ingersoll, Seaside Deputy City Manager directed the Watermaster Board's attention to the draft minutes of the Technical Committee's April 13, 2006 meeting contained in the agenda packet. She summarized the approach and timeline that was discussed and decided in the initial Technical Committee meeting for drafting the Monitoring and Management Plan, to enable its consideration by the Watermaster, and submittal to Judge Randall, within the 60 day deadline contained in the Decision.

Vice Chairman Costa asked if monitoring of the Laguna Seca subarea would be included in the draft Monitoring and Management Plan. Ms. Ingersoll advised that this question would be referred to the Technical Committee when she sends its members the draft April 13 minutes.

John Fisher, Pacific Grove resident, advised the Watermaster that he attended the April 13 meeting, commended the Technical Committee for finally beginning to address this important task, and that he planned to attend the next Committee meeting.

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Watermaster Board received an oral report and no action was taken on this agenda item.

Committee members Steve Leonard and Ray Corpuz, Seaside City Manager, reported that the Committee met to review procedures for implementing the initial Budget Assessment requirement within the 30-day deadline contained in the Decision. Mr. Corpuz advised the Watermaster Board that the City of Seaside had established the necessary accounts to receive assessments, and that he will be personally delivering the assessment notices to the affected Watermaster entities today or shortly thereafter.

No public comments were received on this item.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

1. APPROVAL OF LETTER TO JUDGE RANDALL

On a motion by **Mr. Leonard** and second by **Ms. Knight**, on a unanimous voice vote, the Watermaster Board approved sending the proposed letter to Judge Randall, as amended per the Board discussion summarized below

Steve Leonard supported the letter because he felt it is important to advise Judge Randall that the Watermaster has begun to make progress in implementing the Decision. Michelle Knight concurred, and proposed that the letter be amended by attaching the minutes of the April 5, 2006 initial Watermaster Board meeting. Chairman Rubio concurred in that suggestion.

No public comment was received on this item.

Secretary Knight announced that the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District Board of Directors had decided not to appeal the Decision.

No public comment was received on this item.

Mr. Weeks announced that the next Watermaster meeting, which is scheduled for 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, May 3, 2006, would be held in the Oldemeyer Center.

Chair Rubio adjourned the meeting to 1:30 p.m., May 3, 2006.

2. OTHER ITEM

VII. NEXT MEETING DATE

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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