

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE WATER SHORTAGE COMMITTEE
HELD ON JANUARY 27, 2010

1 The Water Shortage Committee met in a Meeting at 4232 Las Virgenes Road, Calabasas, California 91302 at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 27, 2010.

Chair Helsley called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was given by Chair Helsley.

Clerk of the Board Conklin called the roll. Committee Members present were: Baird, Helsley, Trotman and Weaver.

Committee members not present: MacGregor.

Chair Helsley declared a quorum present.

2 Chair Helsley administered the Oath of Office to Tim Weaver, representing Division 5.

3 Director of Resource Conservation and Public Outreach Reyes requested agenda items 6D Water Budget Appeal - Dina Kaplan and 6E Water Budget Appeal – Las Flores Orchards be removed from the agenda as both customers had withdrawn their appeals. It was moved by Committee Member Trotman, seconded by Committee Member Weaver, and unanimously carried, that the agenda for the January 27, 2010 Water Shortage Committee meeting be approved as amended by deletion of agenda items 6D Water Budget Appeal - Dina Kaplan and 6E Water Budget Appeal – Las Flores Orchards.

4 Public Comments: Clerk of the Board Conklin notified the public speakers they would be allowed a maximum of 5 uninterrupted minutes. Two speaker cards were received (1) Ronald C. Weingart and (2) Gwen Walker. Mr. Weingart briefly reiterated the comments he made at the November 16, 2009 meeting regarding the method of allocations, which he feels is inequitable; and that in discussions with Howard Rodgers and Steve Kessler he was assured the District is reviewing the program; and that additional comments would be made during agenda item 6G when his appeal was heard. Ms. Walker stated she would speak during her appeal – agenda item 6F. Director of Resource Conservation and Public Outreach Reyes stated the Committee has heard Mr. Weingart's appeal before and the reason for a higher allocation amount does not qualify under the existing program; and notified the Committee Members and public that there would be a Water Allocation Review Workshop beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 13, 2010, which may be attended by the public.

5 Consent Calendar: Minutes: Meetings of September 21, 2009, October 19, 2009 and November 16, 2009. It was moved by Committee Member Trotman, seconded by Committee Member Baird, and carried by a vote of 3-1 that the Consent Calendar be approved as presented. Committee Member Weaver abstained from the vote as he was not serving on the Water Shortage Committee during any of these three meetings.

6. Action Items:

A Set next meeting date: It was moved by Committee Member Weaver, seconded by Committee Member Trotman, and unanimously carried that the Committee approved to set the next meeting date to Monday, March 8, 2010 at 5:00 p.m.

B Water Budget Appeal - Steven Kessler: It was moved by Committee Member Baird, seconded by Committee Member Trotman, and unanimously carried that the appeal of water budget adjustment for Steven Kessler be denied.

C Water Budget Appeal – William Robinson: It was moved by Committee Member Weaver, seconded by Committee Member Trotman, and unanimously carried that the appeal of water budget adjustment for William Robinson be denied.

F Water Budget Appeal – Gwen Walker: Ms. Walker discussed the number of household members, which is 4; the condition of her landscaping; and penalties assessed. Committee Member Trotman commented that Ms. Walker’s appeal request already included 4 household members. It was then moved by Committee Member Weaver, seconded by Committee Member Trotman, and unanimously carried that the appeal of water budget adjustment for Gwen Walker be denied.


G Water Budget Appeal – Ronald Weingart: Mr. Weingart asked that his appeal be deferred until after the Water Allocation Review Workshop of February 13, 2010. It was then moved by Committee Member Weaver, seconded by Committee Member Trotman, and carried by a vote of 3-1 with Committee Member Baird abstaining that the appeal of water budget adjustment for Ronald Weingart be denied.

7 Committee Member Comments: None.

8 There being no objection the Chair declared the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:57 p.m.


Nancy Helsley, Chair

ATTEST:



Kimmey Conklin, Clerk of the Board