

ENGINEERING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

March 9, 2022 – 4:00 p.m.
Phelan Community Center
4128 Warbler Road, Phelan, CA 92371
& Remotely Via Zoom or Conference Call

Board Members Present: Mark Roberts, Director (Chair)
Kathy Hoffman, Director

Board Members Absent: None

Staff Present: George Cardenas, Engineering Manager
Sean Wright, Water Operations Manager
Kim Ward, HR Manager/Executive Secretary
Jennifer Oakes, Executive Management Analyst
Tony De La Rosa, Engineering Technician
Aimee Williams, Administrative Technician II

Guests/Public: None

Call to Order

Director Roberts called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Roll Call

All Committee Members were present at Roll Call.

1) **Approval of Agenda**

Director Hoffman moved to approve the Agenda. Director Roberts seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

2) **Public Comment** – None

3) **Approval of Minutes**

Director Hoffman moved to approve the Minutes. Director Roberts seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

4) **Oeste Recharge Study Project**

Mr. Wright reported that MWA is moving ahead with the project. A contract for CEQA was executed by the MWA Board. Two monitoring wells have been drilled and their geologist reported that the geology looks incredible. Approximately 95 Joshua trees will need to be relocated as part of the project.

5) **Discussion Regarding Water System**

- **Pumps and Wells Services Agreement**
- **10-Year Tank Rehabilitation & Maintenance Service**

- **Water Quality**
- **Service Line Replacement Program Update**
- **Other Repairs/Replacements/Updates/Maintenance**

Mr. Wright provided an update on pump and motor rehabilitation at booster stations. The air-vac maintenance and flushing program is 21% completed. The water meter replacement program is in the second phase and the whole project is approximately 37% completed. The new generators have been field tested and are ready to use.

6) **Smithson Springs Update**

The site is clean. Flow is 3.5gpm at the upper weir and 3gpm at the lower weir.

7) **State Regulations Update**

Ms. Oakes reported that per SB 606, the Annual Water Shortage Assessment is due in July. MWA is currently completing this assessment for the whole region and the District is waiting to see if we are able to use this report to meet the requirements. A 20% water conservation mandate is anticipated in the near future.

Mr. Wright stated there is no update on Chromium-6 yet.

8) **Review of Current Projects**

- **Pressure Zone 6**

Nothing new to report.

- **New Well No. 15**

Mr. Cardenas reported that the CEQA document was submitted to the state clearinghouse and will be brought to the Board in April for adoption.

Mr. Wright discussed an analysis that was completed on current pipeline prices and sizes.

9) **Staff Reports**

Mr. Wright gave an update on some items that will go to the Board at the next meeting.

10) **Review of Action Items**

a) **Prior Meeting** – None

b) **Current Meeting** – A report on Oeste data was requested.

11) **Set Agenda for Next Meeting** – April 13, 2022

12) **Adjournment**

With no further business before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 4:28 p.m.

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