

**SOUTHERN NEVADA WATER AUTHORITY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

04/17/2008

**APPROVED MINUTES**

Call to Order

09:00 AM

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Molasky Corporate Center, Southern Nevada Water Authority Board  
Chambers,  
100 City Parkway, Suite 700 (7th floor)  
Las Vegas, Nevada

**DIRECTORS PRESENT**

Shari Buck Chair, Rory Reid Vice Chair, Andrea Anderson, Chip Maxfield, Lois Tarkanian, Chris Giunchigliani,  
Steven Kirk

**DIRECTORS ABSENT**

**STAFF PRESENT**

Patricia Mulroy, Kay Brothers, Richard Wimmer, Tom Minwegen, Chuck Hauser, James Taylor, John  
Entsminger, Bill Rinne, Doug Bennett

**OTHERS PRESENT**

**ITEM NO.**

Unless otherwise indicated, all members present voted in the affirmative.

**Item No. 20 was taken out of order.**

**1. Approval of Agenda & Minutes**

FINAL ACTION: A motion was made by Director Tarkanian that the agenda for this meeting and the minutes of the regular meeting of March 20, 2008, be approved.

**CONSENT AGENDA Items 2 - 7 are routine and can be taken in one motion unless a Director requests that an item be taken separately.**

FINAL ACTION: A motion was made by Director Maxfield to follow staff's recommendations. The motion was approved.

**BUSINESS AGENDA**

**8. Receive a report on the Authority's 2008 Water Resource Plan and, if appropriate, adopt the 2008 Water Resource Plan.**

FINAL ACTION: A motion was made by Director Anderson to follow staff's recommendation.

The motion was approved.

**9. Adopt the 2008 Water Budget for the Authority.**

FINAL ACTION: A motion was made by Vice Chair Reid to follow staff's recommendation. The motion was approved.

**Items 10 and 11 were taken in one motion.**

**10. Approve and authorize the General Manager to sign an agreement, in substantially the same form, between the Moapa Valley Water District and the Authority for the acquisition and management of Muddy River water rights and Coyote Spring Valley groundwater rights, and authorize the General Manager to sign documents necessary to effectuate the transfers discussed in the agreement.**

**11. Approve and authorize the General Manager to execute the following three agreements, in substantially the same form: 1) Water Operation and Management Agreement between the Muddy Valley Irrigation Company and the Authority for the management and conveyance of Muddy River water rights; 2) Water Operation and Management Agreement between the Bunkerville Irrigation Company and the Authority for the management and conveyance of Virgin River water rights; and 3) Water Operation and Management Agreement between the Mesquite Irrigation Company and the Authority for the management and conveyance of Virgin River water rights; and authorize the General Manager to purchase, lease, and/or otherwise acquire the right to utilize water rights from shareholders of the three irrigation companies and execute ministerial documents to effectuate the transactions and to pay administrative costs of the irrigation companies associated with the three agreements for an amount not to exceed \$40,000,000.**

Scott Millington, General Manager of the Muddy Valley Irrigation Company, encouraged the Board to approve the agreements. As a shareholder of the company, he indicated that this sale would benefit the shareholders as a whole.

Wes Adams, Muddy Valley Irrigation Company Board Member, also discussed the opportunities for other shareholders to make some profit on the sale of these water rights. He indicated that shareholders have been subsidizing the operation of the Muddy Valley Irrigation Company and the sale of the water rights gives an option to farmers.

Janet Bair with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service was in support of the approval of the item and discussed her agency's interest in the recovery and protection of the Moapa dace and other threatened and endangered species that inhabit the Muddy and Virgin Rivers.

Clark County Commissioner Tom Collins wants to ensure that the sale of these water rights will not come at the expense of the rural lifestyle in Moapa Valley.

FINAL ACTION: A motion was made by Director Giunchigliani to follow staff's recommendation. The motion was approved.

**20. Adopt the 2008 Revenue Bond Resolution, authorizing the issuance of SNWA Revenue Bonds through the Clark County Bond Bank.**

FINAL ACTION: A motion was made by Director Maxfield to follow staff's recommendation. The motion was approved.

**12. Approve an agreement between Lincoln County Power District No. 1 and the Authority to provide electric service to the MX-5 Well in the Coyote Spring basin.**

FINAL ACTION: A motion was made by Director Kirk to follow staff's recommendation. The motion was approved.

**13. Approve an agreement between Brown and Caldwell and the Authority for professional engineering services associated with Project No. 340Q, Transmission Pipelines Discharge Modifications, Phase I for an amount not to exceed \$1,441,500.**

FINAL ACTION: A motion was made by Director Maxfield to follow staff's recommendation. The motion was approved.

**14. Approve and authorize the General Manager to sign a Memorandum of Understanding, in substantially the same form, regarding the coordination of activities for tamarisk management in the Colorado River Basin among the Six Agency Committee, Central Arizona Water Conservation District, Colorado Water Conservation Board, Utah Division of Water Resources, Wyoming State Engineer's Office, New Mexico Interstate Stream Commission and the Authority.**

FINAL ACTION: A motion was made by Director Maxfield to follow staff's recommendation. The motion was approved.

**15. Approve an agreement between Digital Mapping, Inc., and the Authority, in response to a Request for Proposal, for Muddy River & Virgin River Digital Color Aerial Imagery & Elevation Data, in an award amount of \$324,950: with a one-time award of \$176,400 designated for Lot 1 data; and an estimated annual award amount of \$148,550 for Lot 2 data, for the period from date of award through April 30, 2009, with the option to renew Lot 2 data for four additional one-year periods, with an annual increase not to exceed 20% for each renewal term, and authorize the General Manager to sign the agreements, modify the contract amount, and exercise the renewal options, as long as performance meets contract requirements.**

FINAL ACTION: A motion was made by Director Tarkanian to follow staff's recommendation. The motion was approved.

**16. Approve a Project Funding Agreement among the American Water Works Association, the American Water Works Association Research Foundation and the Authority to conduct research on the factors that influence the formation of perchlorate and other contaminants in hypochlorite, and accept funds in the amount of \$185,592 for this research work.**

FINAL ACTION: A motion was made by Director Tarkanian to follow staff's recommendation. The motion was approved.

**17. Approve the Mutual Release and Settlement Agreement between the Authority, Carollo, Black & Veatch, Parsons Water & Infrastructure Inc. and Sletten Construction of Nevada, Inc., providing for the settlement and compromise of disputed claims; approve Change Order No. 77 to Contract No. SNWA 080-F, Alfred Merritt Smith Water Treatment Facility Process Improvements; and accept all construction work required to be performed under Contract No. SNWA 080-F for an increase over the previous commitment of \$1,067,035.83.**

FINAL ACTION: A motion was made by Director Anderson to follow staff's recommendation.

The motion was approved.

**18. Approve a Green Certificate Master Purchase Agreement between Sterling Planet, Inc., and the Authority to authorize the Authority to sell renewable energy certificates.**

FINAL ACTION: A motion was made by Director Maxfield to follow staff's recommendation. The motion was approved.

**19. Adopt the 2008 Sixth Subsequent Reimbursement Resolution setting forth the Authority's intent to reimburse, out of future bond proceeds, certain expenditures related to renewable energy projects.**

FINAL ACTION: A motion was made by Director Tarkanian to follow staff's recommendation. The motion was approved.

**21. Receive an update from staff on water resources including, but not limited to, drought conditions in the Colorado River Basin, the results of the implementation of the Authority's Drought Plan, activities on the Colorado River, and on the development of in-state water resources.**

NO ACTION REQUIRED

**Public Comment**

Michael Gray with ICC Inc. talked about his business' water conservation efforts in the community. In addition, he invited the public to visit his company's booth at the Authority's Water Smart Innovations Conference to be held in October 2008.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m. The next regular meeting of the Board is scheduled for 9:00 a.m. Thursday, May 15, 2008, at the Southern Nevada Water Authority, Board Chambers, 7th Floor, 100 City Parkway, Las Vegas, Nevada 89106.

APPROVED:

Shari Buck, Chair  
Patricia Mulroy, General Manager

**Copies of all original agenda items and minutes, including all attachments, are on file in the General Manager's office at the Las Vegas Valley Water District, 1001 South Valley View Boulevard.**