

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

12/18/2008

APPROVED MINUTES

Call to Order

09:35 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, Chris Giunchigliani, Steven Kirk

DIRECTORS ABSENT

Lois Tarkanian

STAFF PRESENT

Pat Mulroy, Chuck Hauser, Richard Wimmer, Kay Brothers, John Entsminger, Marc Jensen, Ron Zegers

OTHERS PRESENT

Lynn Orphan, Clean Water Coalition; Richard Bowler, Piercy Bowler Taylor & Kern

ITEM NO.

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

1. Approval of Agenda & Minutes

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

CONSENT AGENDA Items 2-5 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 Vice Chair Reid to follow staff's recommendations. The motion was approved (with Vice Chair Reid abstaining on item number 3).

BUSINESS AGENDA

6. Receive an update regarding the Authority's Fiscal Year 2008/2009 budget, and direct staff accordingly.

NO ACTION REQUIRED

7. Adopt Amendment 18 to the Capital Improvements Plan and Amendment 10 to the Major

Construction and Capital Plan dated December 18, 2008.

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

8. Approve an agreement between CH2M Hill, Inc., and the Authority for professional services to conduct a Disinfection Byproducts Control Strategies Study for an amount not to exceed \$300,000.

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

9. Approve an agreement between Geologic Mapping, Inc., and the Authority for professional geologic services for an amount not to exceed \$140,000.

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

10. Approve a contract between the State of Nevada Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Division of Environmental Protection, and the Authority providing for the Authority's development of an Emergency Response Plan tabletop exercise to include the Authority's member agencies, in consideration of the Authority receiving grant funds for an amount not to exceed \$60,000.

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

11. Approve a joint funding agreement between the U.S. Geological Survey and the Authority for hydrologic data collection in western Utah in support of the Clark, Lincoln and White Pine Counties Groundwater Development Project for an amount not to exceed \$44,360.

FINAL ACTION: A motion was made by Director Maxfield to follow staff's recommendation. The motion was approved with Director Giunchigliani voting no.

12. Approve and authorize the General Manager to sign an agreement, in substantially the same form, for the Purchase and Sale of Muddy River Water Rights between Glendale Water Holding Co., LLC and the Authority, and authorize the General Manager to sign all ministerial documents necessary to effectuate the transaction, for an amount not to exceed \$6,777,008.

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

13. Accept the Authority's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the period ending June 30, 2008, as presented by the Authority's external auditors, Piercy Bowler Taylor & Kern, and authorize its submission to the Nevada Department of Taxation, as outlined by NRS 354.624 and State regulations.

FINAL ACTION: A motion was made by Director Maxfield to follow staff's recommendation. Chairman Buck and Vice Chair Reid disclosed that Piercy Bowler Taylor & Kern also prepared their financial reports, but this disclosure would not prevent them from voting. The motion was approved.

14. Adopt a resolution approving the Policy Relating to Recycled Water.

FINAL ACTION: A motion was made by Vice Chair Reid to follow staff's recommendation. The motion was approved with Director Giunchigliani voting no.

15. Receive an update from staff on water resources including but not limited to, drought conditions in the Colorado River Basin, on 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

Before opening up for public comment, Chairman Buck recognized Director Maxfield for his service to the Authority. Director Maxfield served on the Authority's Board of Directors from 2007 - 2009.

John Wilson, a California resident, spoke about the problems facing Southern Nevada resulting from drought conditions along the Colorado River basin. Mr. Wilson indicated that the Colorado River is over-allocated and the basin's current drought conditions offer no protection for water reliability in Southern Nevada. He called for protections by policy makers from the drought to ensure a reliable water supply in Southern Nevada.

Launce Rake, Progressive Leadership Alliance of Nevada (PLAN), recognized Chip Maxfield's contributions to Southern Nevada. Mr. Rake believes that the recent approval of the Policy Relating to Recycled Water was a mistake for Southern Nevada. He feels the policy's approval does not allow flexibility moving forward. In addition, he mentioned that the water proposed for development in the Clark, Lincoln and White Pine Counties is not unused, but is being used by the local Native Americans, wildlife and habitats.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m. The next regular meeting of the Board is scheduled for 9:00 a.m. Thursday, January 15, 2009, 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.