

SEWER AUTHORITY MID-COASTSIDE
Staff Report

Subject / Title

Review and Approve Minutes of the September 28, 2009 SAM Recycled Water Committee Meeting

Staff Recommendation:

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Fiscal Impact:

None.

Discussion/Report:

Attached please find the Minutes of the September 28, 2009 SAM Recycled Water Committee meeting for your review and approval.

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MINUTES
SAM RECYCLED WATER COMMITTEE (RWC) MEETING
September 28, 2009

1. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m. at the SAM Administration Building, located at 1000 N. Cabrillo Highway, Half Moon Bay, CA.

ROLL CALL: Present: Fraser, Boyd, Lohman
Absent: None
Alternate Present: None

PRESENT: Manager Foley, General Counsel Copeland, Supv. Admin. Svcs. Tracy, Tech. Svcs. Supv. Pullin, Recording Secretary Turbay

2. PUBLIC COMMENT/ ORAL COMMUNICATION - None

3. CLOSED SESSION – None

4. CONSENT AGENDA

4A. Approve Minutes – July 27, 2009 Recycled Water Committee Meeting

Director Lohman moved and Director Boyd seconded the motion to approve the RWC Minutes for the July 27, 2009 meeting.

Lohman/Boyd/3Ayes/0 Noes. The motion passed.

5. OLD BUSINESS

5A. Receive and File Recycled Water Articles

Manager Foley informed the Committee that he received a complimentary copy of “How To Develop A Water Reuse Program” from the Water Reuse Association and it is available for the Committees review.

Paul Perkovic, President, Montara Water & Sanitary District, addressed the Committee regarding his concerns in his e-mail to Manager Foley dated September 18, 2009, regarding pilot recycled water for potential Montara/Moss Beach users. Vice- Chair Fraser thanked Mr. Perkovic for his comments.

There was no other discussion regarding the recycled water articles.

5B. Receive Update on Recycled Water Pilot Plant Project

Tony Pullin, Technical Services Supervisor, updated the Committee on how well the staff has taken to the pilot plant. He informed the Committee on the ease of running the plant, and how staff is currently taking samples for testing. He advised the Board that the water delivery truck is

at the plant and as soon as the permit comes through, delivery to the golf course will start. Director Fraser requested updates on the progress of the pilot project. Manager Foley suggested a weekly update.

Manager Foley informed the Committee that SAM has discontinued the acceptance of leachate during the pilot plant testing period to reduce the sodium and chloride levels in the effluent product due to the pilot plant not being able to treat chloride.

Dave Dickson, General Manager, Coastside County Water District (CCWD), updated the Committee on CCWD taking on the responsibility to distribute the pilot test water. He advised CCWD has rented a dedicated tank truck, certified employees to drive the truck, and rented a holding tank at the golf course. He stated that Nurseryman's Exchange and Bay City Flowers have also expressed interest in trying the water from the pilot treatment plant on a test basis. CCWD has also arranged with Nurseryman's Exchange to do the analysis for the agronomic components of the pilot test water. He stated that in order to pursue further funding, CCWD has committed to join the Bay Area Recycled Water Coalition, a group of Bay Area agencies that have gotten together to lobby collectively for Title XVI Federal funding. Director Fraser thanked Mr. Dickson for his update.

Tanya Yurovsky of SRT Consultants reviewed and updated the Committee on the recycled water permitting. She advised the Department of Public Health is writing a letter to the Regional Water Board stating they will allow the use of recycled water for this temporary pilot facility under a list of conditions. These conditions consist of restriction of public access, and inspection of the recycled water pilot facility and the treatment plant. She stated that once the Regional Board receives the letter, they will send a letter to proceed back to us.

James Johnson, member of the public, addressed the Committee regarding his concerns on rates for recycled water and if calculations for rates will be made available to the public. Mr. Johnson was advised that there is no charge to CCWD or to the golf course at this time for the test water. Vice-Chair Fraser thanked Mr. Johnson for his comments.

5C. Receive Update on Recycled Water Planning Study and Grant Milestones

Tanya Yurovsky of SRT Consultants presented the Committee with a review of the facilities planning grant program, the facilities planning study, and the project alternatives. Vice-Chair Fraser requested more information on the pros and cons of the 800,000-gallon-per-day versus 1.6-million-gallons-per-day tertiary treatment facilities and what the impact would be. A discussion ensued. Ms. Yurovsky stated that the pros and cons will be brought back to the Board once the process of meeting with the State Water Board and the continuance of developing the alternatives are in concurrence. Following discussion, Vice-Chair Fraser thanked Ms. Yurovsky for her presentation.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6A. REVIEW AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON GRAYWATER ARTICLE

Director Lohman presented an article regarding the State of California revised standards for reusing wastewater (graywater). He informed the Committee that the State has changed the rules and permitting process. These systems can now be installed with no permits. Due to time restrictions this topic is being carried over to the SAM Board meeting.

7. TOPICS FOR FUTURE COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION - None

8. PUBLIC COMMENT / ORAL COMMUNICATION - None

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m., to the next SAM RWC meeting scheduled for October 26, 2009, at 6 p.m., in the SAM Administration Building, located at 1000 North Cabrillo Highway, Half Moon Bay, CA.

Respectfully submitted,

John F. Foley III
Manager

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