

MINUTES
SAM REGULAR BOARD MEETING
September 28, 2009

1. CALL TO ORDER: Vice-Chair Fraser called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. at the SAM Administration Building, located at 1000 N. Cabrillo Highway, Half Moon Bay, CA.

ROLL CALL: Present: Fraser, Woren, Muller, Lohman, Harvey, Boyd
Absent: None
Alternate Present: None

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

2. PUBLIC COMMENT/ ORAL COMMUNICATION

Director Woren informed the Board that he attended First Flush training. Procedures are different this year . If anyone is interested in participating, please contact Director Woren, who will put them in contact with one of the event coordinators.

3. CLOSED SESSION

A. Public Employee Performance Evaluation – Title: Manager – Government Code 54957

At 7:04 P.M., Vice-Chair Fraser announced that the Board would go into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing Agenda Item 3A - Public Employee Performance Evaluation – Title: Manager – Government Code 54957. Supv Of Admin Svcs Tracy, Tech Svcs Supv Pullen, Recording Secretary Turbay, and all members of the public left the room.

The Board came out of closed session at 7:20 P.M. Vice-Chair Fraser called the meeting back to order. General Counsel Copeland reported that the Board formed a committee for Manager evaluation.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Director Harvey moved and Director Muller seconded the motion to approve the following consent agenda items as presented:

- A. Approve Minutes – August 24, 2009 SAM Board Meeting
- B. Receive and File Manager’s Monthly Report for August 2009, including:
 - a. Monthly Flow Report
 - b. Financial Statement
 - c. Monthly NPDES Permit Data
 - d. Collections System Data
 - e. WWFMP Project Funding Opportunities
 - f. Recycled Water Project Funding Opportunities
 - g. Approve Disbursements - September 2009

Harvey/Muller/8 Ayes/0 Noes. The motion passed.

5. OLD BUSINESS

5A. Receive Report from Recycled Water Committee/Discuss and Possibly Take Action on Committee Meeting Agenda items

a. Receive and File Recycled Water Articles

Manager Foley informed the Board 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 Board’s review.

Paul Perkovic, President, Montara Water & Sanitary District, addressed the Board 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.

b. Receive Update on Recycled Water Pilot Plant Project

Tony Pullin, Technical Services Supervisor, updated the Board on how well the staff has taken to the pilot plant. He informed the Board 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 Board 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.

David Dickson, General Manager, Coastside County Water District (CCWD), updated the Board 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 Board on the recycled water permitting. She advised the Department of Public Health is writing a letter to the Regional Water Board stating it 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, it will send a letter to proceed back to us.

James Johnson, member of the public, addressed the Board 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.

c. 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.

Katherine Slater-Carter, Director, Montara Water and Sanitary District, addressed the Board, reviewing her recent trip to the Wastewater and Recycled Water Symposium in Seattle, Washington, and suggesting the possibility of other sources of grant money by restoring Pilarcitos Creek and re-establishing the salmon run once the test phase of the recycled water project is complete. Vice-Chair Fraser thanked Katherine Slater-Carter for her comments.

d. Review and Possibly Take Action on Graywater Article

Director Lohman requested that a topic to discuss the duplication of information (between the Recycled Water Committee and the Board meetings) be agendaized for the next SAM Recycled Water Committee.

Continuing the discussion from the Recycled Water Committee meeting, Director Lohman presented an article regarding the State of California revised standards for reusing wastewater (graywater). He informed the Board that the State has changed the rules and permitting process, and these systems can now be installed with no permits and at a minimal cost.

Katherine Slater-Carter, Director, Montara Water and Sanitary District, addressed the Board with her concerns for agencies with jurisdiction over wastewater treatment plant areas establishing the approval process for a graywater system, and the County doing this for areas outside a sewer district. Vice-Chair Fraser thanked Katherine Slater-Carter for her comments.

5B. Wet Weather Flow Management Program (WWFMP) Project Committee

a. Receive Report and Possibly Take Action on WWFMP Committee Meetings and Activities

Director Lohman informed the Board that the permitting process is moving along and of the continuing work regarding the Coastal Development Permit (CDP). He also stated that the geotechnical report has been completed and final approval should be a few weeks away.

Tanya Yurovsky of SRT Consultants updated the Board that the resources agency coordination and referral and responses regarding potential environmental issues, including cultural resources and

biological resources, have been completed. Ms. Yurovsky informed the Board on the status of the Clean Beaches Initiative (CBI) application for grant funding, and the Federal Funding from Anna Eschoo's office. She stated that if both of the grant opportunities materialize, nearly 50 percent of the project construction will be covered.

Director Woren suggested that a WWFMP Committee meeting be scheduled to discuss a kiosk that could be put up to inform the public of the property boundaries, the layout where the WWFMP facility will be, and what the project will look like when completed.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6A. Adopt SAM Resolution No. 10-2009, Reaffirming the Investment Policy and Guidelines

Following discussion, Director Woren moved and Director Lohman seconded the motion to adopt SAM Resolution No 10-2009, Reaffirming the Investment Policy and Guidelines.

Woren/Lohman/8 Ayes/0 Noes. The motion passed.

6B. Authorize Manager to Conduct Public Hearing on Proposed Non-Domestic Waste Source Control Program (NDWSCP) Fee Schedule for FY 2009-10

Manager Foley reviewed the staff report to authorize Manager to Conduct Public Hearing on Proposed Non-Domestic Waste Source Control Program (NDWSCP) Fee Schedule for FY 2009-10. Following discussion, Director Woren moved and Director Lohman seconded the motion to authorize Manager to Conduct Public Hearing on Proposed Non-Domestic Waste Source Control Program (NDWSCP) Fee Schedule for FY 2009-10.

Woren/Lohman/8 Ayes/0 Noes. The motion passed.

7. MANAGERS INFORMATIONAL REPORT

Manager Foley had nothing to add to the Managers Informational Report.

8. ATTORNEY'S REPORT – CASA Attorney's Committee Meeting – August 14, 2009

General Counsel Copeland reviewed his attendance at the CASA Attorney's Committee Meeting of August 14, 2009. He discussed the suspension of Proposition 1A, AB5 (Evans) – Chapter 5, Statutes of 2009 – Electronic Discovery Act SB565 (Pauley) – Water Recycling, AB1232 (Huffman) – LAFCO, and a recent court decision regarding Proposition 218. Following discussion, no Board action was taken.

9. DIRECTORS' REPORT - NONE

10. TOPICS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION - NONE

11. PUBLIC COMMENT/ORAL COMMUNICATION – NONE

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 P.M., to the regular Board meeting, scheduled for October 26, 2009, at the SAM Administration Building, 1000 N. Cabrillo Highway, Half Moon Bay, CA 94019.

Respectfully submitted,



Recording Secretary

Susan Turbay

APPROVED BY:



BOARD SECRETARY