

FINAL MINUTES

Water Demand Committee of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District June 18, 2010

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:37 a.m. in the conference room of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District office.

Committee members present: Kristi Markey, Chair
Bob Brower
Alvin Edwards (arrived at 9:45 AM during discussion of Item 2)

Committee members absent: None

Staff members present: Darby Fuerst, General Manager
Stephanie Pintar, Water Demand Division Manager
Henrietta Stern, Project Manager
Joe Oliver, Water Resources Division Manager
Jonathan Lear, Senior Hydrologist
Arlene Tavani, Executive Assistant

District Counsel present: David Laredo

Comments from Public

No comments.

Action Items

1. **Receive Minutes of March 26, 2010 Committee Meetings**
On a motion by Director Brower and second by Director Markey, the minutes were received unanimously on a vote of 2 - 0.
2. **Progress Report on Evaluation of Water Distribution Systems in Fractured Rock**
Jonathan Lear presented a report on results of the Pilot Study of Wells in Fractured Rock. A summary of Mr. Lear's report and the conclusions he reached are available for review on the District's website and at the District office. It was suggested that additional studies could be funded by state grants (AB303), and through cost sharing with the County of Monterey. Staff was directed to: (a) present to the committee in July a scope of work and cost estimate to complete additional studies, and a draft ordinance regulating fractured rock wells; (b) contact the County of Monterey to determine if there is interest in a partnership for funding additional studies; and (c) present the report on fractured rock wells to the Technical Advisory Committee to familiarize them with the issues.
3. **Develop Recommendation to the Board Regarding First Reading of an Ordinance that Expands the Rebate Program to Include Greywater Reuse and Other Technologies**

Stephanie Pinter, Water Demand Manager, presented the report that is on file at the District office and can be viewed on the District's website. On a motion by Director Brower and second by Director Edwards, the committee recommended that the Board of Directors support the ordinance upon first reading at the July 19, 2010 meeting. The motion was adopted unanimously on a vote of 3 – 0.

Discussion Items

4. Discuss Revisions to the Rules and Regulations Related to Unpermitted Water Use Fixtures in Bank-Owned Properties

Ms. Pinter reported on a situation that has developed due to the high rate of foreclosures. She explained that when a property is foreclosed, title is transferred to the foreclosing bank. This prompts staff to conduct an inspection. Often these inspections uncover unpermitted fixtures that the bank as the new owner is responsible to remove or replace. The banks have refused to bring the properties into compliance. The District files a notice of non-compliance on the property, and when it is eventually purchased, the new owner becomes responsible to replace or remove unpermitted fixtures. The committee discussed the situation and directed that staff should continue to file notices of non-compliance per District regulations. The issue could be brought forward again for discussion at a future meeting.

Set Next Meeting Date

The committee members agreed to meet on Wednesday, July 21, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:30 a.m.