

AGENDA ITEM: A-1

DATE: June 13, 2013

ACTION: APPROVED

**JOINT MEETING
CITY OF MORRO BAY AND CAYUCOS SANITARY DISTRICT
WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT
(UNDER JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT)**

MINUTES

**CAYUCOS SANITARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS:**

Robert Enns, President
Dan Chivens, Vice-President
Michael Foster, Director
Shirley Lyon, Director

**CITY OF MORRO BAY CITY COUNCIL
MEMBERS:**

Jamie Irons, Mayor
George Leage, Vice-Mayor
Christine Johnson, Councilmember
Noah Smukler, Councilmember

MEETING DATE:

6:00 p.m., Thursday, May 9, 2013

HOSTED BY:

City of Morro Bay

MEETING PLACE:

Multi-Purpose Room
Community Center
1001 Kennedy Way
Morro Bay, CA 93442

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Irons called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and asked the record to show all Council members are present with the exception of Nancy Johnson. President Enns asked the record to show all Cayucos Sanitary District (CSD) Boardmembers are present with the exception of Dan Lloyd.

Morro Bay staff members present were Bruce Keogh, Rob Livick, Andrea Lueker, Katie Mineo, Rick Sauerwein, and Rob Schultz.

CSD Staff members present were District Manager Rick Koon and District Counsel Tim Carmel.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Members of the audience wishing to address the governing bodies on Morro Bay-Cayucos Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) business matters may do so at this time. By the conditions of the Brown Act, the governing bodies may not discuss issues not on the agenda, but may set items for future agendas. When recognized by the Chair, please come forward to the podium and state your name and address for the record. Comments should be limited to three minutes.

Mayor Irons opened Public Comment period.

Richard Sadowski, Representative for the San Luis Obispo Chapter of the Surfrider Foundation, announced Surfrider will be holding an event at Avila Beach on May 18, 2013 to cease acoustic seismic testing and to promote renewable energy practices. He also made the following comments with regard to the water reclamation facility:

- There is a need for a new JPA as the current agreement is outdated.

- The way in which the agreement is written favors the CSD, and it should be more balanced.
- There are issues regarding capital recovery in that a fund was never established and spending is not transparent.
- The CSD and the City should use an outside source for consulting services.

Homer Alexander, resident of Morro Bay, expressed concern that rate payers in the City are unaware of the costs they are incurring from the Atascadero Road project. He stated the project cost of \$2,130,000 should be written off since it is no longer viable. Alexander noted it will cost each rate payer about \$300.

Mayor Irons closed Public Comment period.

Mayor Irons asked Keogh to address Alexander's comment. Keogh stated Administrative Services Director Susan Slayton will address this issue at the next JPA meeting.

A. CONSENT CALENDAR

A-1 MINUTES OF APRIL 11, 2013 JPA MEETING

Recommendation: Approve as submitted

MORRO BAY MOTION: Councilmember C. Johnson moved to approve the minutes. Councilmember Smukler seconded and the motion passed unanimously. (4-0).

CAYUCOS MOTION: Vice-President Chivens moved to approve the minutes. Director Lyon seconded and the motion passed unanimously. (4-0).

A-2 STATUS REPORT OF THE MAJOR REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE PLAN (MMRP) FOR THE WWTP

Keogh presented the staff report.

Recommendation: Receive and file

MORRO BAY MOTION: Councilmember C. Johnson moved to approve Item A-2. Councilmember Smukler seconded and the motion passed unanimously. (4-0).

CAYUCOS MOTION: Vice-President Chivens moved to approve Item A-2. Director Lyon seconded and the motion passed unanimously. (4-0).

B. OLD BUSINESS

None

C. NEW BUSINESS

C-1 VERBAL REPORT BY THE CITY AND DISTRICT ON THE PROGRESS OF THE FUTURE WWTP

Lueker presented the staff report.

President Enns and Mayor Irons complimented Livick for his efforts at the study session on April 29, 2013. Irons also expressed appreciation for the selection committee's work during the selection process. C. Johnson thanked the five citizens on the selection committee.

Mayor Irons opened Public Comment period.

Nancy Bast, resident of Morro Bay, asked for background information on the selected consultant. Lueker stated the proposed recommendation to award Rickenbach the project will be included on the May 14, 2013 City Council agenda. Smukler asked if the proposal will include information about the other applicants. Lueker confirmed Council will be attaching all of the proposals that were interviewed.

Marla Jo Bruton, resident of Morro Bay, would like more information about the members of the selection committee. Mayor Irons explained how the selection committee members were chosen. Livick further explained the process, stating the RFP was based on direction from Council, and once it was approved, the RFP was advertised. The consultant selection committee was made up of five citizens, two councilmembers, and three staff members. The group was divided into two smaller groups so as to learn from each other's expertise. The selection groups had different sets of questions, and each consultant team was required to go through both lists of questions. Each selection group then scored the consultants on their own before reconvening to discuss the consultants' qualifications together.

Councilmember C. Johnson noted the cost for this particular consultant will be borne by the City of Morro Bay. She also named the citizens who were on the selection committee: Paul Donnelly, Valerie Levulette, Steve Shively, Donald Smith, and Don Boatman. The three staff members on the committee were Rob Livick, Bruce Keogh, and Rick Sauerwein.

Councilmember Smukler stated he was interested in hearing an update from Cayucos regarding their progress.

President Enns stated the CSD was unable to meet with Water System Consulting (WSC) last week, and, as such, there is no update from the last JPA meeting. The meeting with WSC is rescheduled for the week of May 13, 2013.

Mayor Irons closed Public Comment period.

C-2 SCHEDULE NEXT JOINT MEETING AND AGENDA ITEMS

Councilmember C. Johnson suggested adding an item which would address Alexander's questions about the audit. Irons stated the City could provide a staff report at the next meeting which would discuss how the City will manage the excess money as well as provide some information about public versus private accounting.

Director Lyon noted it is expensive for both the City and the CSD to host the JPA meetings and suggested tabling the meetings until there is something substantive to report.

President Enns announced there will be a budget meeting in June and suggested keeping that meeting scheduled, but otherwise he would prefer to go back to quarterly meetings unless something needs to be reported.

Councilmember Smukler stated there is a great amount of public interest in this project and it is worthwhile to hold the meetings for the public comment period. He suggested Boardmembers come to the next regularly scheduled meeting with a list of future agenda items and discuss the possibility of reducing the number of meetings at that time. C. Johnson seconded Smukler's comment.

Councilmember C. Johnson asked staff how much it costs to hold the JPA meetings. Lueker estimated each JPA meeting costs about \$400-500, not including staff time.

Mayor Irons suggested agendaizing the discussion regarding whether or not to hold regular monthly meetings.

President Enns confirmed the next JPA meeting will be held on June 13, 2013 and it will be hosted by Cayucos.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Irons adjourned the meeting at 6:33 pm.

Minutes Recorded by:

Katie Mineo, Morro Bay Public Services Department