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Board of Directors Summary for **September 18, 2002**

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BOARD MEETING

The Board of Directors presented certificates to two Moreno Valley boy scouts working toward their Eagle rank. They each organized about 20 volunteers and performed community service projects that helped EMWD. Robert Cloud's (Troop 214) project involved planting a tree and refurbishing trails at the wetlands in San Jacinto. Kevin Stanton (Troop 520) organized a work party that cleared brush and painted 150 fire hydrants in northeast Moreno Valley.

...proclaimed Oct. 7-11 as National Customer Service Week. Board members expressed their appreciation to EMWD's frontline employees who exhibit exemplary customer service skills. National Customer Service Week has been proclaimed a national event by the U.S. Congress.

...honored David G. Kelley, long-time California legislator for his 24 years of service in the Assembly and Senate. The assemblyman, who grew up in the San Jacinto Valley, has had a close association with EMWD and water issues. He and his family have been citrus ranchers for many decades.

...conducted a public hearing to approve and authorize all items regarding Community Facilities District (CFD) No. 2002-04 Sheffield/Rancho Bella Vista. The development will be located in the Sun City area west of Murrieta Road and north of Salt Creek.

...approved and authorized a three-year agreement with Nursery Products, LLC, of Adelanto to provide biosolids reuse/disposal services. Although adopted, the agreement will not be ratified until other potential biosolids handlers can present their proposals in writing.

...accepted a low bid of \$477,660 by Kinsel Industries, Inc. Houston, Texas, for increasing sewer collection capacities that have become bottlenecks. The projects will be financed from Service Areas 31 (Hemet/San Jacinto) and 32 (Moreno Valley) Replacement and System Betterment Construction Reserves. The total project estimated project cost for four locations is \$790,000.

...approved and authorized an administrative award of contract by the General Manager with necessary consultants and contractors to complete construction of the Placentia Avenue Sewer Project, Phases 1 & 2 for an estimated cost of \$763,600 and \$788,300, respectively. A similar administrative award was authorized with Engineering Resources of Southern California for final design Phase 2 for an estimated cost of \$115,000. The project will serve the Val Verde Unified School District and includes partial reimbursement by the State Allocation Board. A portion will be financed from Service Area 41 (Mills Treatment) Restricted Water Facilities Expansion Fund. The balance will be refunded from the Service Area 35 (Perris Valley) Restricted Sewer System Expansion Fund.

...approved and authorized additional project funds and an amendment to the engineering services agreement with CH2M Hill, Inc. for design of the Perris Basin Desalination Facility. The amendment is for an amount not to exceed \$594,000. The project will be initially financed from

the General District Restricted Water Facilities Expansion Fund, subject to reimbursement from a grant from the state. The grant funds would come from the Safe Drinking Water, Clean Water, Watershed Protection and Flood Protection Act of 2000 (Proposition 13). The total estimated project cost is \$17.6 million.

...approved a contract with Stewart and Stevenson, Inc. of Corona, in the amount of \$703,808 for the Waukesha Generator Emissions Retrofit project at the Perris Valley Regional Water Reclamation Facility. The project will be financed from Service Area 31 (Hemet/San Jacinto), 32 (Moreno Valley), 33 (Sun City) and 35 (Perris Valley) Replacement and System Betterment Construction Reserve Funds.

...approved and authorized funding and an acquisition agreement for Community Facilities District (CFD) 2002-09 (Woodside Homes). The project is in the Menifee area.

...approved the following annexations:

- 5.4 acres to Improvement Districts U-25 and U-26 (Mesa Plaza, LLC),
- 4.08 acres to I.D. s U-31 and U-32 (Atkinson Investment Company LLC),
- 10.71 acres to I.D.s U-29 and U-30 (A&M Industries and Victory Development LLC),
- 59 acres to I.D.s U-35 and U-36 (SR/MV Menifee, LLC),
- 29.96 acres to I.D.s U-8 (Greystone Communities)

WORK SESSION

The Board of Directors recognized **Karen Collins**, Executive Assistant, Maintenance Services, for 10 years of service.

...received an Auditor's Exit Review Summary from Conrad & Associates in which several changes were implemented according to Government Accounting Standards Board suggestions. The Auditor noted there were no material weaknesses in our internal control and complimented EMWD staff for preparing financial data so quickly and so thoroughly. The audit was later accepted during the board meeting. From the audited statements of revenue, expenses and changes in net assets and cash flows, it was shown that income before contributions was \$15.1 million in 2001/2002, compared with \$23.5 million in 2000/2001. Assets increased \$52.6 million to \$1.252 billion.

...received the August financial update. Items of interest indicate combined sewer and water connections at 2,703 are up from a budgeted 1,467 year-to-date, and also ahead of the prior year-to-date of 1,584. Total revenues at \$21.9 million are slightly ahead of the \$19.9 million budgeted year-to-date. Total acre-feet sales for the two-month period were 30,632, up 11 percent from the year-to-date budget of 27,490.

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