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Board of Directors Summary for **September 19, 2001**

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BOARD MEETING

The Board of Directors recognized three employees who are celebrating 15 years of service.

They include:

- **Victor Barreto**, Senior Civil Engineer;
- **Linda Robbins**, Executive Assistant, Resource Development Branch; and
- **Carole Ward**, Construction Administration Representative II.

...adopted a proclamation declaring the week of Sept. 17-23 as Pollution Prevention Week, after hearing details of the district's pollution prevention efforts from **Judy Lankey**.

...adopted a resolution for eminent domain proceedings, if necessary, for obtaining easements needed for construction of the McLaughlin Road pipeline for the Menifee desalter.

...conducted a public hearing, then voted to establish CFD No. 2001-01 in French Valley, to call an election to levy taxes needed to support the improvements, and to implement agreements with Temecula Valley Unified School District and Valley Wide Park and Recreation District related to the community facilities district.

...approved a quit claim deed in connection with relocation of a sewer line at Temecula Town Center.

...approved an agreement with Ashbrook Corp. to rebuild and retrofit two belt filter presses at the Temecula Valley RWRf. Funding of \$205,000 will come from the S.A. 34 Replacement and System Betterment Construction Reserves.

...approved holding a surplus equipment auction on Sept. 22.

...appropriated \$225,000 for continued work with Global Engineering and Management Services toward further improving district maintenance practices. Funding is from the General District Replacement and System Betterment Construction Reserve.

...authorized administrative award of a contract not to exceed \$3,615,000 for replacement of the Sanderson Lift Station in San Jacinto. Also approved for a variety of related support services were \$278,000 with Carollo Engineers, \$88,000 with Converse Consultants, and up to \$20,000 with Sawyer, Cook and Company. Funding is from the 2001B COP Construction Fund.

...authorized administrative award of a contract not to exceed \$1,370,000 for construction of a second tertiary effluent pump station at the Temecula Valley RWRf. Also approved for a variety of related support services were \$108,100 with Carollo Engineers, not to exceed \$44,000 with EnGen Corporation and Converse Consultants, and up to \$5,000 with Sawyer, Cook and Company. The project is financed from the S.A. 34 Restricted Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion Fund.

...authorized administrative award of a contract not to exceed \$5,340,000 for expansion of the tertiary treatment facilities at Moreno Valley RWRf. Also approved for a variety of related support services were up to \$428,600 with Carollo Engineers, \$166,500 with Inland Foundation Engineering, \$113,880 with Engineering Resources of Southern California, and \$20,000 with Sawyer, Cook and Company. The project will be financed from developer connection fees.

...authorized a contract of \$402,496 with Genesis Construction for construction of the Sky Canyon Recycled Water Pipeline in the Temecula-Murrieta area in order to increase flow of recycled water. Financing is from the I.D. H Restricted Recycled Water Expansion Fund.

...at the request of the property owners, approved annexation to the district of 112.66 acres owned by Inland PK Holdings in the Perris area, into I.D.s U-31 and U-32 for water and sewer services.

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...approved deannexation of 391.52 acres owned by B&C Land in the Menifee Valley to allow annexation into Western Municipal Water District.

...approved amendment of the district's PERS contract to provide the Special Death Benefit negotiated in the current agreement between the district and its employees. This is a procedural step needed to implement the negotiated agreement.

...approved a \$53,000 project to repair asphalt paving at the district's main office, financed within the FY 2001-02 Operating Budget.

...approved execution of an Agency Shop Agreement with IBEW Local 1436, as voted by employees on June 25, 2001.

...approved a CEQA mitigated negative declaration of environmental impact for the Manzanita II Tank and Supply Pipeline Project in Moreno Valley.

...approved repairs at the Perris Valley RWRf involving purchase of three aerator pumps from EIMCO Process Equipment Co. for \$17,400 and payment of not more than \$90,000 to Genesis Construction Co. to install the pumps. The project is financed by the S.A. 35 Replacement and System Betterment Construction Reserve.

...accepted a report showing that as of Aug. 31, the district had 491 employees, an increase of two from a month earlier, and that the total number of full-time equivalents was 473.

WORK SESSION

The Directors received a report on a variety of informational items from the General Manager, **Tony Pack**. Among the matters mentioned was the fact that growth is continuing within the district as evidenced by the fact that today the Board will be asked to approve \$16 million in new construction projects. The pace of new projects coming in for plan check is the fastest in the past 10 years.

Mr. Pack also noted that the district is taking the appropriate security measures in light of the current situation in the country. Also, recycled water ponds are at 28% of capacity when they would normally be dry by this time of year; the lighter use of recycled water is due in part to changing agricultural requirements and increased amounts of agricultural land going out of production. Additionally, the district is considering hosting two special public briefings in the next few months; one will address the Bay Delta and the other will focus on boating policy at Diamond Valley Lake.

...were briefed by **Mike Garner** on plans to convene the Recycled Water Advisory Group comprised of appointees from each director's division to address a number of changing conditions related to use and demand for recycled water.

...learned from **Larry Libeu** and MWD Director **Marion Ashley** of a number of matters related to Metropolitan Water District that affect EMWD. Among them, the Board reviewed details of the planned new rate structure for purchase of water from MWD, as well as reviewing the status of boating policies at Diamond Valley Lake. It was also noted that Lake Oroville, the northern California reservoir that heads the State Water Project, is about half-full, much lower than it has been for several years.

...received Finance Director **Chuck Rathbone**'s monthly financial report showing that year-to-date through August the district is right on budget. Total domestic and irrigation water sold in the two-month period is 22,544 acre feet while 5,290 AF of recycled water was sold. An additional 5,569 AF of domestic water was sold to Rancho California WD. New connections in the two-month period totaled 476 water EDUs and 1,108 sewer EDUs.

...heard **Brian Agner** and **Dan Howell** report on progress made in implementing the new CMMS system. When completed, the system will provide greater flexibility in managing work, facilitate preventive maintenance, afford greater equipment reliability, provide better workforce coordination, and reduce operating and maintenance costs.