



**Water Commission
Minutes
7:00 p.m. – Monday, October 5, 2009
Council Chambers
809 Center Street Santa Cruz**

Minutes of a Water Commission Meeting

Call to Order Chair H. Whitney called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Roll Call

Present: B. Fouse, L. Kasa, S. O’Hara, M. McClellan and H. Whitney, Chair.

Absent: C. Keutmann and Andy Schiffrin absent with notice.

Staff: T. Goddard, Water Conservation Manager; B. Kocher, Water Director; D. Paul, Administrative Asst.; and K. Peterson, Drought Patrol.

Presentation There were no presentations.

Statements of Disqualification There were no statements of disqualification.

Oral Communications There were no oral communications.

Announcements There were no announcements.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner S. O’Hara moved to approve the August 24, 2009 Water Commission minutes as submitted. Commissioner H. Whitney seconded.

VOICE VOTE MOTION CARRIED.

AYES: B. Fouse, L. Kasa, S. O’Hara and H. Whitney, Chair.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: C. Keutmann and A. Schiffrin

ABSTAIN: M. McClellan.

Consent Agenda

Item No. 1 Three-month Calendar was removed from the Consent Agenda for discussion.

Commissioner S. O’Hara moved to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. Commissioner H. Whitney seconded.

VOICE VOTE MOTION CARRIED.

AYES: B. Fouse, L. Kasa, M. McClellan, S. O’Hara and H. Whitney, Chair.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: C. Keutmann and A. Schiffrin.

Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

1. Three-month Calendar

Chair H. Whitney requested that the Water Shortage Ordinance be added to the Three-month calendar as requested at a previous meeting.

General Business

1. Appeal of Water Restriction Penalty, Case No. 1501 - Emerald Bay Apartments, 2500 Soquel Drive, Santa Cruz CA 95065

Commissioner S. O’Hara moved to deny the Appeal of Water Restriction Penalties including Case No 998 in the amount of \$300.00 and Case No. 1501 in the amount of \$750.00 - Emerald Bay Apartments, 2500 Soquel Drive, Santa Cruz CA 95065 based upon a determination that the appeals were not received within the timeframe outlined in Ordinance No. 2009-14.

Commissioner M. McClellan seconded.

VOICE VOTE MOTION CARRIED.

AYES: B. Fouse, L. Kasa, M. McClellan, S. O’Hara and H. Whitney, Chair.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: C. Keutmann and A. Schiffrin

Subcommittee/Advisory Body Oral Reports

1. City of Santa Cruz/Soquel Creek Water District Desalination Task Force (scwd²)

The scwd² Task Force did not meet in August or September.

Director’s Oral Report

1. Monthly Status of Water Supply

Water Director Kocher and Water Conservation Manager Goddard both reported on water use trends, river flows and the mandatory water restriction program.

2. Desalination Program

Water Director Kocher provided a program update and a status report on the various studies that are being undertaken as part of the Desalination Program.

Items Initiated by Members for Future Agendas No items were initiated.

Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m. next meeting of the Water Commission is scheduled for November 2, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Respectfully submitted,

ss/Donna Paul
Staff