



# NOTICE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REGULAR BI-MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday, November 19, 2024 at 6:30 PM

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## MINUTES

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### LOCATIONS:

#### Open Session to start at or after 6:30 p.m.

Marin Water Board Room – 220 Nellen Avenue, Corte Madera, CA 94925

Outside location for Director Jed Smith - 227 Summit Ave. Apt. #e405, Brookline, MA 02446

#### Closed Session to immediately follow Open Session

Marin Water Mt. Tam Conference Room – 220 Nellen Avenue, Corte Madera, CA 94925

### Public Participation:

The public attended this meeting in-person or remotely using one of the following methods: on a computer or smart device, <https://marinwater.zoom.us/j/88134852296>, or by phone, 1-669-444-9171 using Webinar ID #: 881 3485 2296.

### AGENDA ITEMS:

#### 1. Call to Order and Roll Call

President Ranjiv Khush called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

#### DIRECTORS PRESENT

Monty Schmitt

Jed Smith

Matt Samson

Larry Russell

Ranjiv Khush

## 2. Adoption of Agenda

Director Schmitt made the motion to adopt the agenda. Vice President Samson seconded the motion.

There were no public comments.

Voting Yea: Directors Samson, Schmitt, Smith, Russell, and Khush

## 3. Announcement of Closed Session Item(s); Public Comments on Closed Session Item(s) - None.

## 4. Reconvene to Open Session; Closed Session Report Out - Not applicable.

## 5. Regular Item

a. Resolution of Commendation for Outgoing Director Monty Schmitt

**RECOMMENDATION:** Recognize Outgoing Director Monty Schmitt for his years of service as District Director on the Marin Municipal Water District Board of Directors

President Khush read the Resolution of Commendation.

Director Smith made the motion to adopt the resolution. Vice President Samson seconded the motion. (*Resolution No. 8798*)

Voting Yea: Directors Samson, Smith, Russell, and Khush

Abstaining: Director Schmitt

Director Schmitt thanked the directors, family, staff, and many others, and reflected on the District's accomplishments, which he was proud to partake in.

Some directors provided comments.

There were no public comments.

The Board recessed at 6:45 p.m. and reconvened at 6:59 p.m.

## 6. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters

There were six (6) public comments.

## 7. Directors' and General Manager's Announcements

- Director Smith reported that he attended the Marin-Sonoma Coordination Meeting on November 7th and took a tour of the District's Water Quality Lab on November 15.
- Vice President Samson thanked staff for attending the Red Sky Summit on November 12.

- President Khush reported that he met with representatives from MALT on November 8, and hiked with the San Anselmo Open Space committee to Red Hill to see their efforts in maintaining a trail. He also mentioned that he went on a tour of the District's Water Quality Lab.
- General Manager Ben Horenstein thanked Director Schmitt for his service and leadership.

## 8. Board Committee Reports

Operations Committee Chair Larry Russell provided highlights of what occurred at the Operations Committee/Special Board meeting on November 15.

## 9. Consent Items

- Minutes of the Board of Directors' Regular Bi-Monthly Meeting on November 6, 2024  
**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the minutes
- General Manager's Report October 2024  
**Recommendation:** Approve Report
- 3rd Amendment to District Lease No. 67, Marin Emergency Radio Authority (MERA) at Forbes Reservoir Site, San Rafael (APN 010-261-02)  
**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve 3<sup>rd</sup> Amendment to District Lease No. 67 with Marin Radio Emergency Authority (MERA) at Forbes Reservoir Site, San Rafael
- Acceptance of Permanent Grant of Easement to Marin Municipal Water District for Existing Water Facilities at 1876 Centro West Street, Tiburon (APN: 059-061-42)  
**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the acceptance of a permanent grant of easement in favor of the District and authorize the General Manager to accept and execute the Easement Agreement
- Resolution of Commendation for John Clark (*Resolution No. 8799*)  
**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve resolution recognizing John Clark for his 32 years of service to the at Marin Water

Vice President Samson made the motion to approve the Consent Calendar. Director Schmitt seconded the motion.

There were no public comments.

Voting Yea: Directors Samson, Schmitt, Smith, Russell, and Khush

## 10. Regular Items

- Adjustment of Board Compensation  
**RECOMMENDATION:** Review the per diem amount of compensation paid to members of the Board of Directors and consider adjusting the per diem amount based on the regional Consumer Price Index

General Counsel Molly MacLean presented this item.

Discussion ensued.

There was one (1) public comment.

This was an information item. No formal action was taken.

## **11. Future Board and Committee Meetings and Upcoming Agenda Items**

### **a. Upcoming Meetings**

The Board Secretary announced upcoming internal and external meetings.

## **12. Announcement of Closed Session Item(s); Public Comments on Closed Session Item(s)**

President Khush announced the upcoming agenda items that would be discussed during Closed Session.

There were no public comments.

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 7:43 p.m. and went to the Mt. Tam Conference Room.

### **a. Conference with Legal - Pending Litigation**

(California Government Code Section 54956.9)

Prandi v. Marin Municipal Water District

Workers Compensation Board of Appeals Case No. ADJ13514441

### **b. Conference with Legal - Pending Litigation**

(California Government Code §54956.9)

California Native Plant Society, Marin Audubon Society, and Marin Conservation League vs. Marin Municipal Water District

Marin County Superior Court, Case No. CV0004078

## **13. Reconvene to Open Session; Closed Session Report Out**

The Board reconvened to Open Session in the Board Room at 8:59 p.m. President Khush reported that the Closed Session adjourned at 8:55 p.m. with no reportable action taken.

## **14. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the Board of Directors' Regular Bi-Monthly Meeting adjourned on November 19, 2024 at 9:00 p.m.



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Terrie Gillen, CMC  
Board Secretary

The minutes were approved at the Board of Directors' Regular Bi-Monthly Meeting on December 10, 2024.