

Regional Sewerage Program Technical Committee Meeting

MINUTES OF June 6, 2013 MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the IEUA/Regional Sewerage Program – Technical Committee was held on Thursday, June 6, 2013, at the Inland Empire Utilities Agency located at 6075 Kimball Avenue, Chino, California. Jim Hill, City of Chino called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Committee Members:

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Jim Hill	City of Chino
Steve Nix	City of Chino Hills
Dan Chadwick	City of Fontana
Mike Hudson	City of Montclair
Dennis Mejia	City of Ontario
Rosemary Hoerning	City of Upland
John Bosler	Cucamonga Valley Water District
P. Joseph Grindstaff	Inland Empire Utilities Agency

Absent Committee Members:

Chuck Hays	City of Fontana
Scott Burton	City of Ontario

Others Present:

Jesus Plasencia	City of Chino
Nicole Greene	City of Montclair
Braden Yu	Cucamonga Valley Water District
Kathy Tiegs	Cucamonga Valley Water District
Cheyanne Reseck-Francis	Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Chris Berch	Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Christina Valencia	Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Craig Parker	Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Randy Lee	Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Sylvie Lee	Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Tina Cheng	Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Paddy Mwembu	Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Ryan Shaw	Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Joshua Aguilar	Inland Empire Utilities Agency

Gaspar Garza	Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Paula Hooven	Inland Empire Utilities Agency

1. <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>

A. Minutes of May 2, 2013 Meeting

Dennis Mejia/City of Ontario requested that the May 2, 2013 minutes be revised.

<u>Motion</u>: By Dennis Mejia/City of Ontario and seconded by Jim Hill/City of Chino to withdraw the minutes of the May 2, 2013 Technical Committee meeting for revisions.

Motion carried: Unanimously.

2. ACTION ITEMS

A. <u>Fiscal Year 2013/14 Regional Wastewater, Recycled Water and Recharge Water Programs</u> <u>Proposed Budget and Ten Year Capital Improvement Plan (TYCIP)</u>

Christina Valencia/IEUA gave a presentation on the FY 2013/14 proposed budget including the TYCIP, adopted rates, key budget assumptions, program budget highlights, and fund balances & debt coverage ratios. She noted that the "red" or deficiency in the budget is being funded through property taxes and reserves.

P. Joseph Grindstaff added that projects are being done, but there has been a deliberate delay in some repair and replacement projects which need to be done soon or the cost will increase later and the potential for issues may increase over time. He continued by stating that, from a staff perspective, there is no change in the rate increases effective July 1, 2013 for the Regional Wastewater and Recycled Water programs as adopted by the IEUA Board on February 2012. However, based on the projected program costs and the requirement under the Regional Contract that the EDU volumetric rate support both O&M and R&R costs, and future costs beyond the adopted multi-year rates will need to be evaluated accordingly.

Ms. Valencia continued by stating that the biggest differences between the amended budget presented before and the budget being presented today are: 1) the amended budget assumed that the entire CIP costs of \$55 million were actually expended and they have not been expended, primarily because of the delays in the Southern and Central Wineville projects; 2) higher EDU connection fees, so increased revenues have increased reserves; and 3) property tax receipts, including a one-time payment from the County on the RDA increment taxes. She stated that this one-time revenue will likely be used to fund any deferred projects requiring acceleration or to support the Agency's accrued unfunded liabilities for Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) and/or CalPERS pension programs.

<u>Motion</u>: By John Bosler/CVWD and seconded by Rosemary Hoerning/City of Upland to make recommendation to the IEUA Board of Directors and approve the proposed Fiscal year 2013/14 Budget for the Agency's Regional Wastewater and Recycled Water programs and FY 2013/14-2022/23 Ten Year Capital Improvement Plan (TYCIP).

Motion carried: Unanimously.

3. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

A. <u>Regional Sewerage Contract</u>

Chris Berch/IEUA provided some background information on the Regional Sewerage Contract, highlighting that the 50-year contract was written in 1973, so the 10-year window is approaching and suggested that member agencies begin reviewing the Regional Sewerage Contract at the beginning of next year via a workshops with the Technical Committee members. He mentioned that in 1984 and 1994, there were updates to some exhibits within the contract. Mr. Berch explained that within two years of the contract expiration in 2023, if another contract has not been negotiated, IEUA is allowed to enter into contracts with individual agencies. He noted that if nothing is done as a region, and the contract ends, member agencies would then fall under normal sanitation standards.

4. <u>RECEIVE AND FILE</u>

A. MOU for South Archibald Plume Cleanup

The MOU for South Archibald Plume Cleanup was received and filed by the Committee.

B. Pretreatment Summary Report

The Pretreatment Summary Report was received and filed by the Committee.

C. Building Activity Report (YTD)

The Building Activity Report (YTD) was received and filed by the Committee.

5. OTHER BUSINESS

A. IEUA General Manager's Update

Joe Grindstaff/IEUA reported the following:

- 1. Odor complaints:
 - RP-4: Anonymous complaint to SCAQMD in which an inspection was conducted and site was found to be in compliance and in good condition.
 - RP-5 SHF: Discussion with Carson Companies is ongoing. Several meetings have been held between Carson/Environ/IEUA to coordinate activities and actions.
 - RP-1: No complaints, however, City of Ontario was advised that significant maintenance has been ongoing resulting in increased use of the lagoon and increased odor potential. Work is scheduled to be completed within the next two weeks.
- 2. Board Review of Business Goals: A Board workshop was held on June 5, 2013. IEUA staff plans to discuss at a Joint Technical Committee/ Water Manager's meeting in late July and bring back to IEUA Board in August. There will possibly be a Joint Policy meeting in September.
- 3. South Archibald TCE MOU:
 - Approved by IEUA, JCSD, and Ontario, with Upland, WMWD, and CDA pending.
 - Article in the Press Enterprise (5/31/13).
- 4. Regional Policy Committee meeting date/time: Proposed change of date to second Thursday or earlier on 1st Thursday to ensure that Policy Committee meeting will be able to last at least one hour without conflicting with CDA Meeting at 6:30 p.m. on first Thursday of every month.

- 5. Building Activity: Through April, almost at 2,000 EDU, compared to 1,200 budgeted and 2,400 projected.
- 6. NRW Contract with LACSD: Term sheet has been completed and is under review by the LACSD legal staff. Contract is expected to be finalized as early as next month.
- 7. Labor Negotiations: Going well. One unit decertified previous representatives and certified new ones.
- 8. Planning Document activities:
 - 2 RFPs issued this week
 - Integrated Resource Plan
 - Facility Master Plan Update
- B. <u>Committee Member Requested Agenda Items for Next Meeting</u> None.
- C. <u>Committee Member Comments</u> None.
- D. Next Meeting August 1, 2013
- 6. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u> Meeting was adjourned at 4:51 p.m.

Transcribed

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