

**ACTION MINUTES
SOUTH ORANGE COUNTY WATERSHED MANAGEMENT AREA
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Date and Location: May 4, 2017 2:30 – 4:30 p.m.
Laguna Niguel Council Chambers
30111 Crown Valley Parkway
Laguna Niguel, CA 92677

****Audio recording for the May 4th meeting is available [here](#). Recording times noted in the minutes correspond to that item on the recording. ****

ITEM # 1 Roll Call/Self-Introductions (Recording: 00:01:16)

Sandra F. Jacobs, Chair, Santa Margarita Water District
Andrew Hamilton, Vice Chair, City of Lake Forest
Elaine Gennawey, City of Laguna Niguel
Shaun Pelletier for Dave Harrington, City of Aliso Viejo
Karl Seckel for Megan Yoo Schneider, Municipal Water District of OC
Paul Wyatt, City of Dana Point
Victor Cao for Lisa Bartlett, County of Orange
Mark Monin, El Toro Water District
Jerry Holloway, City of Rancho Santa Margarita
Peer Swan for Mary Aileen Matheis, Irvine Ranch Water District
Rob Zur Schmiede, City of Laguna Beach
Jack Hunt, City of San Juan Capistrano
Janine Heft, City of Laguna Hills
Wayne Rayfield, South Coast Water District
Jim Burror for Rick Erkeneff, South OC Wastewater Authority
Rich Schlesinger for Trish Kelley, City of Mission Viejo
Ed Mandich, Trabuco Canyon Water District
Debbie Neev, Laguna Beach County Water District

ITEM # 2 Public Comments (Non-Agenda Items) (Recording: 00:04:45)

Mr. Roger Bütow representing Clean Water Now and on behalf of Surfrider Foundation requested the Executive Committee consider adding two information only presentations for the August 3, 2017 meeting. Mr. Bütow stated they would like to have the Executive Committees input/feedback prior to presenting to the San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board. For questions, please contact Mr. Bütow at info@clean-water-now.org.

ITEM # 3 Approval of Minutes (Recording: 00:10:35)

The minutes of the February 2, 2017 meeting were presented to the Executive Committee.

Recommended Action: Approve the minutes of the February 2, 2017 meeting

Motion: *Approve minutes*
First/Second: *Mr. Wayne Rayfield/ Ms. Elaine Gennawey and Rob Zur Schmiede*
Abstained: *Mr. Peer Swan/Ms. Janine Heft*
Outcome: *Approved*

ITEM # 4 Election of Chair and Vice-Chair (Recording: 00:11:00)

Chair Jacobs provided an overview of the Chair and Vice-Chair two-year terms. The Executive Committee appointed an Ad Hoc Committee at the February 2, 2017 meeting to nominate a Chair and Vice-Chair. The Ad Hoc Committee, comprising Ms. Elaine Gennawey, Mr. Ed Mandich, Ms. Carol Moore, and Mr. Wayne Rayfield, nominated Mr. Andrew Hamilton, City of Lake Forest, for Chair and Debbie Neev, Laguna Beach County Water District, for Vice-Chair. Chair Jacobs, presented the slate to the Executive Committee.

Recommended Action: Elect Chair and Vice-Chair based upon recommendations presented by the nomination committee.

Motion: Approve Chair and Vice-Chair Slate as presented by the nomination committee
First/Second: Mr. Mark Monin/ Ms. Elaine Gennawey
Motion: Close the slate of nominations and approve unanimously
First/Second: Mr. Peer Swan /Mr. Rob Zur Schmiede
Outcome: Approved unanimously

ITEM # 5 FY 2017-2019 Proposed Work Plan and Budget Approval (Recording: 00:14:10)

Marilyn Thoms, County of Orange, provided background information based on requests by the Executive Committee's and new members. The following information was included in the Executive Committee member's meeting packets:

- FY 2013-2016 budgeted versus actual expenditures for the shared-cost budget
- Calculations of full time equivalents (FTEs) for shared-cost budget items inclusive of County staff time (e.g. Committee Support)
- A revised Executive Committee Handbook, which includes a summary of grants applied for and received by the Watershed Management Area (WMA) as a demonstration of what the shared-cost budget supports on an annual basis

Recommended Action: Approve FY 2017-2019 Work Plan and Budget.

Motion: Approve proposed FY 2017-2019 work plan and budget
First/Second: Mr. Wayne Rayfield/ Mr. Andrew Hamilton
Outcome: Approved

ITEM # 6 Integrated Regional Watershed Management (IRWM) Plan Overview (Recording: 01:05:58)

Ms. Thoms provided an overview of the IRWM Plan. The overview included the concept for planning, IRWM Plan Goals, IRWM Structure, State requirements and an overall plan update. Ms. Thoms also shared the next steps, as follows:

- The Management Committee's review period for the IRWM Plan is May 1, 2017 - June 5, 2017
- IRWM Plan public review period will be in the Fall of 2017
- The finalized IRWM Plan will be presented to the Executive Committee for approval at the November 2, 2017 meeting, upon Executive Committee approval the finalized plan will be submitted to the State for review.

ITEM #7 Executive Officer's Report (Recording: 01:22:00)

Ms. Thoms acknowledged Chair Jacobs for her four years of service as the Executive Committee Chair.

Ms. Thoms shared that Jenna Voss, County of Orange, is on maternity leave through mid-August. For questions in the interim, please contact [Marilyn Thoms](#) or [Iris Corpus](#).

Ms. Thoms also provided the following updates:

- The 11th IWA International Conference on Water Reclamation and Reuse will be held July 23-27, 2017 in Long Beach. For more information visit: <http://iwareuse2017.org/>.
- Municipal Water District of Orange County and Orange County Water District's 10th Annual Water Summit will be held June 16, 2017 at the Grand Californian Hotel, Disneyland Resort in Anaheim. For more information visit: <http://www.ocwatersummit.com/Program2017.aspx>

ITEM # 8 Executive Committee Member Comments (Recording: 01:25:25)

The Executive Committee members acknowledged County of Orange staff and congratulated the elected Chair, Andrew Hamilton and Vice-Chair, Debbie Neev.

Ms. Janine Heft introduced herself and looks forward to future meetings.

Mr. Shaun Pelletier acknowledged the committee and announced that the Dairy Fork Constructed Wetland and Habitat Restoration Project will have an opening ceremony June 5, 2017. For more information contact Moy Yahya at (949)425-2538.

Mr. Ed Mandich announced the 2017 Water Awareness Day and Open House 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Saturday, May 6, 2017, at the Trabuco Canyon Water District.

Mr. Andrew Hamilton and Debbie Neev acknowledged the members.

Mr. Norris Brandt from the San Juan Basin authority introduced himself and looks forward to coordinating with the South County WMA.

Mr. Brian Goodell introduced himself and acknowledged the Committee and presentation.

Chair Jacobs acknowledged the committee and will continue to represent Santa Margarita Water District (SMWD), and congratulated Mr. Hamilton and Ms. Neev. Additionally, she announced the SMWD Water Festival on May 20, 2017. For more information visit: <http://www.smwd.com/community/water-awareness-day.html>.

ITEM # 9 Adjournments (Recording: 01:32:52)

Meeting adjourned at 4:04 p.m. The next Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for August 3, 2017.

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Non-Committee Attendees:

Bob Hill	El Toro Water District
Brian Goodell	City of Mission Viejo
Celia Kutcher	OC Chapter, California Native Plant Society
Devin Slaven	City of Lake Forest
Drew Atwater	Moulton Niguel Water District
E. (Max) Maximous	City of Rancho Santa Margarita
Hossein Ajideh	City of San Juan Capistrano
Ken Rosenfield	City of Laguna Hills
Mark Denny	City of Dana Point
Mark Tetteimer	Irvine Ranch Water District
Mary Vondrak	City of Laguna Beach
Moy Yahya	City of Aliso Viejo
Roger Bütow	Clean Water Now
Ziad Mazboudi	City of Laguna Niguel

County Staff: Marilyn Thoms and Iris Corpus