

REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD - SAN FRANCISCO BAY
BOARD MEETING MINUTES

June 8, 2011

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Item 1 - Roll Call and Introductions

The meeting was called to order on June 8, 2011 at approximately 8:57 a.m. in the Elihu M. Harris Building, First Floor Auditorium, 1515 Clay Street, Oakland.

Board members present: John Muller, Chair; Shalom Eliahu; James McGrath; Steven Moore; William Peacock.

Board members absent: Terry Young, Vice-Chair; Rameshwar Singh.

Item 2 - Public Forum

John A. Coleman, Executive Director, Bay Planning Coalition, briefly discussed BPC activities.

Bruce H. Wolfe said Johnson Lam retired recently after working many years for the Water Board. Mr. Wolfe recognized Mr. Lam's efforts in developing and implementing the Electronic Reporting System.

Amy Chastain, Executive Director, Bay Area Clean Water Agencies, thanked Mr. Lam for his work in developing and managing the Electronic Reporting System. On behalf of BACWA, she presented him with a Certificate of Appreciation. Board members, members of the audience, and staff honored Mr. Lam with a round of applause.

James Ervin, Supervising Environmental Services Specialist, Environmental Services, City of San José, expressed appreciation to Mr. Lam for developing the Electronic Reporting System. Mr. Lam was honored again with a round of applause from Board members, members of the audience, and staff.

Item 3 – Minutes of the July 14, 2010 Board Meeting

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Peacock, seconded by Mr. McGrath, and it was voted unanimously to adopt the Minutes of the July 14, 2010 Board Meeting.

Item 4 – Chairman’s, Board Members’ and Executive Officer’s Reports

Mr. Moore thanked Johnson Lam for his work in using technology to make a more efficient system.

Mr. Wolfe said Terry Seward has been promoted to serve as Chief of the Water Board’s Groundwater Protection Division.

Item 5 – Consideration of Uncontested Items

Mr. Wolfe recommended Item 5D be heard immediately after the Uncontested Items calendar. He recommended adoption of Items 5A, 5B, and 5C.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. McGrath, seconded by Mr. Peacock, and it was voted to adopt Items 5A, 5B, and 5C as recommended by the Executive Officer.

Roll Call:

Aye: Mr. Eliahu; Mr. McGrath; Mr. Moore; Mr. Peacock; Mr. Muller

No: None

Absent: Dr. Singh; Dr. Young

Motion carried.

Mr. Muller said the Board would consider Item 5D. The Board heard Item 5D and a vote was taken.

Item 6 – Grazing Operations in the Tomales Bay Watershed – Status Report on Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements

The Board heard Item 6 during a break in its consideration of Item 5D. Mr. Wolfe made introductory comments. Carmen Fewless gave an update on implementation of the Conditional Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Grazing Operations in the Tomales Bay Watershed that the Board adopted in July 2008.

Item 7 – Pollution Prevention from the Ground Up: Bay-Friendly Landscaping and Gardening – Presentation by Anne Cooke, Executive Director of the Bay-Friendly Landscaping and Gardening Coalition

The Board heard Item 7 during a break in its consideration of Item 5D. Mr. Wolfe made introductory comments. Anne Cooke, Executive Director, Bay-Friendly Landscaping and Gardening Coalition, addressed the Board.

Item 12 - Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:41 p.m.