



CITY OF PACIFIC GROVE
300 Forest Avenue, Pacific Grove, California 93950

AGENDA REPORT

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL
FROM: CITY MANAGER JAMES J. COLANGELO
MEETING DATE: OCTOBER 1, 2008
SUBJECT: HIGHLIGHTS OF THE SEPTEMBER 19, 2008 MONTEREY REGIONAL WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT BOARD MEETING

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive the highlights of the September 19, 2008 Monterey Regional Waste Management District Board Meeting.

DISCUSSION:

Attached are the highlights of the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Monterey Regional Waste Management District organization for the month of September 2008. The City is a member of the Joint Powers Agency and designates a member of the Board. The representative for the City is former City Manager Gary Bales.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None

ATTACHMENTS:

Meeting Highlights

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

James J. Colangelo

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James J. Colangelo
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MONTEREY REGIONAL WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

Home of the Last Chance Mercantile

MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 22, 2008
TO: Pacific Grove City Council
FROM: Gary Bales
SUBJECT: Highlights of the September 19, 2008 Board Meeting

The highlights of the meeting are as follows:

- 1) By consent, the Board approved the purchase of a new Tink® roll out bucket from Quinn Company of Salinas, in the amount of \$33,703.30 and authorized staff to issue a Request for Proposals for the purchase of a new wheel loader.
- 2) Rob Wellington was recognized by the Board and received a longevity award for his 35 years of continuous service as Legal Counsel to the District.
- 3) The Board received a presentation by Public Education and Recycling Manager Jeff Lindenthal and Public Education Coordinator Kimberle Herring on the District's Public Education and Community Outreach Program. The program has been very successful in reaching out to member agencies through community events and schools, as well as helping out member agencies in preparing their AB 939 reports and grant applications. Kimberle Herring was applauded for receiving two first-place awards for the District's "Green Garden" exhibit at the Monterey County Fair.
- 4) The Board received a report from Chair Laska summarizing discussion of the August 22nd ad hoc Finance Committee meeting, wherein discussion was focused on the proposed biosolids tip fee increase and future plans for management of biosolids; and on the District's 5 megawatt Landfill Gas-to-Renewable Energy Project and future power sales.
- 5) The Board reviewed a staff report recommending setting a public hearing to consider a tipping fee increase for acceptance of biosolids (wastewater treatment plant sludge). A consultants report concurred with the need to raise the tipping fee charged for biosolids, to cover the District's direct costs in processing this material. Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency General Manager was present to deliver a letter requesting that the Board delay the public hearing by one month, to allow additional time for staff meetings. The Board concurred with the request and scheduled a public hearing for November 21, 2008. Any fee increase at the District would be charged to the sewerage agencies who would need to consider whether to pass those costs on to their customers.
- 6) The Board approved revisions to the District's Harassment and Discrimination Policy.
- 7) The Board adopted Resolution 2008-10 authorizing a five year lease purchase agreement with Municipal Finance Corporation for the purchase and installation of a New GE Jenbacher Model JGS 420 Engine/Generator. The new engine/generator will replace an existing unit and will increase the generating capacity at the District to 5 megawatts of renewable power, which is used in the District's operation, and is enough to power 5,000 homes.
- 8) The Board authorized Chair Laska to cast a vote for Anne McGowan as the Special District regular representative to the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) of Monterey County.

- 9) The Board received an update on the District's Upgraded Waste Screening Program. The Upgraded Waste Screening Program has been effective reducing the amount of hazardous material found in customer's loads, in providing information to customers, and in reducing the amount of hazardous materials in the wastestream.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact General Manager William Merry at 384-5313, or me.



Gary Bales, Director
Monterey Regional Waste Management District