

Minutes of Meeting

8:30 A.M., Thursday,
September 11, 2008
Regional Water Board Office
5550 Skylane Blvd., Ste A
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

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8:30 a.m.

i. Pledge of Allegiance

Carol Dean led the pledge of allegiance.

ii. Roll Call and Introductions:

Board Members present: Bob Anderson, John Corbett, Carol Dean, Mike Dunker, Geoffrey Hales, William Massey, and David Noren

Absent: Heidi Harris

Regional Water Board staff: Catherine Kuhlman, Luis Rivera, Samantha Olson, Kim Niemeyer, Robert Klamt, David Leland, Holly Lundborg, Mark Neely, John Short, Fred Blatt, Lisa Bernard, Karen White, Bryan McFadin, Rachael Bosworth, Scott Gergus, Kason Grady, Matt St. John, Cheri Blatt, Brionna Drescher, Patti Corsie, Drew Bayless, Greg Nash, and Jean Lockett.

iii. Resolution R1-2008-0102 in the Memory of Elmer Dudik, Environmental Scientist.

Catherine Kuhlman read the resolution in memory of Elmer Dudik.

Motion: John Corbett moved to adopt Resolution No. R1-2008-0102 for Elmer Dudik as read. William Massey seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

iv. Exparte disclosures

William Massey reported that he has met with public officials in the West County, Supervisor Mike Reilly, and county staff, regarding West Sonoma County's sewer issues. He restated that he would recuse him self from West County sewer items brought before the board.

v. **State Board Liaison's, Board Chair's, Board Members' and Executive Officer's Reports.**

The State Board Liaison was not in attendance.

vi. **Public Forum:**

Comments were taken from:

Christy Kennedy, representing the Russian River Watershed Association regarding their program to provide options for the community to minimize flushing pharmaceuticals down the drain.

1. **Minutes:** The July minutes were set aside to be adopted at the October 2008 Board meeting.

Public Hearing

2. Public Hearing to consider Resolution No. R1-2008-0103 in the matter of **Ballot Initiative to Reduce City of Rohnert Park's Current Sewer Services Charges to Charges in Effect on January 1, 2006.**

Chairman Anderson administered the oath.

Catherine Kuhlman, Regional Water Board Executive Officer, introduced the item to the board. She gave a brief history and reasons why the draft resolution was before the board.

Comments were taken from:

Susan Adams, Co-Chair of No on Measure L

Jake MacKenzie, Mayor of the City of Rohnert Park

Brenda Adelman, representing Russian River Watershed Protection Council

Motion: William Massey moved to adopt Order No. R1-2008-0103. Mike Dunker seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Public Hearing to consider Order No. R1-2008-0020, proposed Waste Discharge Requirements for **Humboldt Creamery Dairy Products Processing Facility**, NPDES No. CA0005584, WDID NO. 1B8085OHUM

Chairman Anderson administered the oath.

Lisa Bernard, Regional Water Board staff, a brief overview of staff's findings.

A recess was called for staff to meet with representatives of Humboldt Creamery, to negotiate minor amendments to the permit, and report back to the board. Board reconvened on this item after considering Item 4.

Comments were taken from:

Mike Caulhan, representing Humboldt Creamery
Lisa Stromme, representing SHN and Humboldt Creamery

Motion: William Massey moved to adopt order No. R1-2008-0020 as amended. John Corbett seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Public Hearing to consider adoption of Order No. R1-2008-0100 amending the permits and orders previously issued to **Scotia Pacific Company, Salmon Creek Corporation, and the Pacific Lumber Company to the Humboldt Redwood Company LLC, and the Town of Scotia Company LLC.**

Chairman Anderson administered the oath to those who expected to testify.

Robert Klamt, Regional Water Board staff, presented a brief background for the item.

Comments were taken from:

Mike Jani, president of Humboldt Redwood Company

Motion: William Massey moved to adopt the amended Order No. R1-2008-0100. John Corbett seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Information Items

5. Monitoring in Freshwater Creek and Elk River

Adona White, Regional Water Board staff, gave the presentation on monitoring efforts and findings in Freshwater Creek and Elk River.

6. Update on Dairies

Scott Gergus, Regional Water Board staff, gave an update on the development of permits for the dairies in the North Coast Region.

7. Klamath River TMDLs Update – Tributary Flow Analysis Results

Matt St. John and Bryan McFadin, Regional Water Board staff, gave the board an update.

Comments were taken from:

Ken Fetcho, representing the Yurok Tribe
Susan Corum, representing the Karuk Tribe

8. Executive Officer's Report

This is a written report.

9. Board Member Requests for Future Agenda Items

There were no requests for future agenda items.

10. Other Items of Interest

There was no discussion for this item.

12. Closed Session

Closed Session was not held.

There being no further business to come before the Regional Water Board, the meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m. The next Regional Water Board Meeting is scheduled for October 23, 2008, in Weaverville, California.

Chairperson _____

Date: _____