

# SANTA CLARITA WATERSHED RECREATION AND CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

*A PUBLIC ENTITY OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA EXERCISING JOINT POWERS OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA AND THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 6500 ET SEQ.*

## **MINUTES of the GOVERNING BOARD of the SANTA CLARITA WATERSHED RECREATION and CONSERVATION AUTHORITY**

**February 8, 2006**

### **I. Call to Order.**

The special meeting of the Governing Board of the Santa Clarita Watershed Recreation and Conservation Authority was called to order by the Chair, Jerome Daniel, at 2:40 p.m. on February 8, 2006 in Santa Clarita City Hall, 23920 Valencia Boulevard, Santa Clarita, California.

### **II. Roll Call.**

The roll was called and the following members were present: Kenneth Pulskamp; Richard Gould, Vice-Chair; and Jerome Daniel, Chair. Quorum present.

Staff present: Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Executive Officer; Rorie Skei, Deputy Executive Officer; Paul Edelman, Deputy Director of Natural Resources and Planning; Michelle O'Melia, City Finance Department; Renee Bojourquez City Finance Department; Darren Hernandez, SCWRCA Fiscal Officer and Treasurer; Angie McWhirter, Board Secretary.

### **III. Approval of Minutes of Meeting December 2, 2004.**

Approval of minutes of meeting December 2, 2004 will be distributed at the next SCWRCA meeting.

### **IV. Public comment on agenda items or any other matter.**

A comment was made by Marsha McLean, Mayor Pro-Tem of the City of Santa Clarita.

### **V. Consideration of resolution to recommending the City of Santa Clarita and the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy adoption of the 2005-2006 SCWRCA Budget.**

Budget report was presented by Staff.

A was question propounded by Mr. Pulskamp.

A comment was made by Mr. Hernandez.

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On motion of Mr. Gould, duly seconded, Resolution No. 06-1 was adopted unanimously.

**VI. Consideration of resolution to receive and file Independent Auditor's Report for fiscal years ending June 30, 2002 and June 30, 2003.**

On motion of Mr. Pulskamp, duly seconded, Resolution No. 06-2 was unanimously adopted.

**VII. Consideration of resolution authorizing the expenditure of acquisition funds to assist the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority in acquiring properties within Los Angeles County Chapter 8 Agreement Number 2361 and 2412 in the Santa Clara River watershed.**

A discussion on Chapter 8 Agreements was led by Mr. Edelman.

Comments were made by Mr. Edmiston in regard to the Chapter 8 Agreements.

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Comments were made by Mr. Pulskamp.

A question was propounded by Mr. Gould, Vice-Chair.

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A question was propounded by Mr. Daniel, Chair.

Ms. Skei responded regarding Brandon Property, located in the back of Towsley Canyon.

A comment was made by Mr. Edmiston.

A question was propounded by Mr. Daniel.

A comment was made by Ms. Skei.

On motion of Mr. Pulskamp, duly seconded, Resolution No. 06-3 was amended, and unanimously adopted.

**VIII. Status report on state infrastructure bond and implications for environmental land projects.**

Mr. Edmiston reported on State Legislature efforts on developing infrastructure bonds with some environmental component, and an alternative initiative proposal.

A question was propounded by Mr. Daniel, Chair.

Mr. Edmiston responded regarding amount of signatures needed.

A question was propounded by Mr. Gould, Vice-Chair.

A comment was made by Mr. Edmiston.

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A question was propounded by Mr. Pulskamp.

Mr. Edmiston responds to Mr. Gould and Mr. Pulskamp.

**IX. Status report on formation of the Newhall Ranch High Country Recreation and Conservation Authority.**

Ms. Skei gave a report on the revision of the Joint Powers Agreement. The County Supervisorial appointment will be the 5<sup>th</sup> District Supervisor.

Discussion on having the Newhall Ranch High Country Recreation and Conservation Authority (NRHCRCA) meet with the Santa Clara Watershed Recreation and Conservation Authority (SCWRCA) at next scheduled meeting.

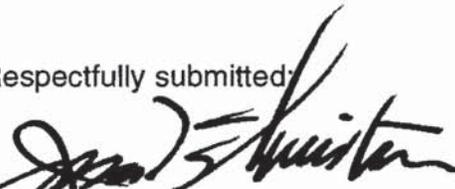
**X. Statements, responses, questions, or directions to staff pursuant to Section 54954.2(a) of the Government Code.**

No statements or questions were made by board members, staff or public.

**IX. Announcement of future meeting and adjournment.**

Ms. Skei announced that the next regular meeting date may be June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2006. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by the Chair.

Respectfully submitted:

  
Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Hon. ASLA  
Executive Officer

Approved:

  
Jerome C. Daniel  
Chair