

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF WATER SUPPLY
Monday, December 27, 2012

The Board of Water, County of Kaua'i, met in a special meeting at its office in Lihu'e on Thursday, December 27, 2012. Chairperson Daryl Kaneshiro called the meeting to order at 10:16 a.m. On roll call, the following answered present:

BOARD: Mr. Daryl Kaneshiro, Chairperson
Mr. Clyde Nakaya
Mr. Randall Nishimura
Mr. Ray McCormick
Mr. Roy Oyama

Quorum was achieved with 5 members present at roll call.

EXCUSED/ABSENT: Mr. Michael Dahilig
Mr. Larry Dill

STAFF: Mr. William Eddy
Mr. Dustin Moises
Mr. Keith Aoki
Ms. Sandi Nadatani-Mendez
Ms. Mary-jane Garasi
Deputy County Attorney Andrea Suzuki

ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA:

Mr. Nakaya moved to accept the agenda as circulated; seconded by Mr. Nishimura; with no objections, motion was carried with 5 Ayes.

NEW BUSINESS:

Re: *Manager's Report 13-20 – Request Board Approval to Amend Source Water Protection Grant previously received with Additional Grant Funds from the Department of Health*

BACKGROUND:

Mr. William Eddy, Deputy Manager provided a brief background regarding the Source Water Protection Grant. The Department of Health (DOH) appeared before the Board in August 2010 for the Department of Water (DOW) to apply for federal grant monies through the DOH. The grant request went through the Committee of the Whole and the Board granted approval to apply for the grant. In May 2006, the Department came back to the Board and requested approval to receive and expend the grant funds. The approval was given in May 2011 on how to spend the money by developing a source water protection plan. The source water protection plan is located in the mountains protecting the DOW's watersheds from various development, evasive species, animals and plants that support the native eco systems. The native eco system has shown to be superior in maintaining ground water quality and quantity.

Mr. Eddy requested the Board's approval because the DOH funds may be available. Grant funds need to be encumbered to be passed on to the Water Shed Alliance which is called the Koaie Protective Fence Project. The DOH indicated that the funding is \$250,000 but there is a chance the DOW may receive more than \$250,000. The Department would like to keep the options open to receive up to \$900,000 without expending the difference other than what the DOH is able to grant the Department.

DISCUSSION:

Mr. Nishimura inquired if the DOH cannot get the remaining funds, how would they get the \$900,000 funds. Mr. Eddy believes the Kaua'i Watershed Alliance (KWA) would build out as much as the DOW will allow them. The KWA has been successful in receiving funding in the past. Chair Kaneshiro commented that this source could be the start to get the project going. Other sources can become available to reach the goal of \$900,000.

Mr. Oyama moved to approve Manager's Report No. 13-20 - To Amend Source Water Protection Grant previously received with Additional Grant Funds from the Department of Health; seconded by Mr. McCormick; with no objections, motion was carried with 5 ayes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to H.R.S. §92-7(a), the Board may, when deemed necessary, hold an executive session on any agenda item without written public notice if the executive session was not anticipated in advance. Any such executive session shall be held pursuant to H.R.S. §92-4 and shall be limited to those items described in H.R.S. §92-5(a).

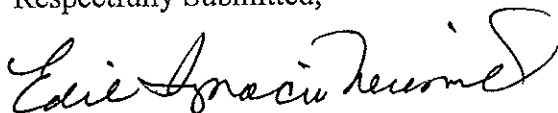
- 1. Pursuant to Haw. Rev. Stat. §§92-4 and 92-5(a)(4) the purpose of this executive session is to receive and consider a letter from the Manager and Chief Engineer responding to certain inquiries posed by the Board at the October 25, 2012 Board meeting. The purpose of this to consult with the Board's attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the Board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities as it relates to the Manager's response letter dated October 29, 2012.*

Mr. McCormick moved to go into executive session; seconded by Mr. Oyama; with no objections, motion was carried with 5 ayes.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Chair Kaneshiro adjourned the Special Board meeting at 10:26 a.m.; with no objections, motion was carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



Edie Ignacio Neumiller
Commissions Support Clerk

Approved,



Randall Nishimura
Secretary – Board of Water Supply