# MOLOKAI IRRIGATION SYSTEM ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

## 10:00 am, September 16, 2008

I. Call to Order: Richard Wheeler, Vice-Chairman, called the meeting to order @ 10:01 am.

Board Members Present: Richard Wheeler, Steve Arce, Audwin Calairo, George Maioho, and James Boswell.

Guests: Randy Teruya, Byron Alcos, Walter Ritte, Jessie Ford, Patrick Cabanting, Lorretta Ritte.

- II. Approval of Agenda: James Boswell moved to accept the agenda; seconded by George Maioho; motion carried.
- III. Approval of Minutes: Steven Arce moved to accept the minutes as circulated; seconded by James Boswell; motion carried.

#### IV. Old Business:

- A. System Update Reported by Byron Alcos:
  - Water level in reservoir @ 16'; compared to 18.0' last year at same time.
  - 3.08 mgd reservoir inflow; 3.38 mgd. Outflow.
  - MPL inflow = 1.161 mgd; Outflow = .546 mgd
  - MPL Buffer in reservoir =19.6 MG
  - Discussion on the status of repairs to the Farrington Avenue Booster Pump Station control cabinet was given by Byron. R. Teruya also added that we received a written quotation from Pacific Electro-Mechanical, however, it was decided that since one pump is sufficient to service the Lihi Pali Tank, MIS will wait to see if any savings can be realized from the CIP project involving the replacement of the primary electrical cable in the Waikolu Tunnel. Should there be sufficient amount of savings, the control cabinet may be completely replaced.

### B. Capital Project Update

 FOPCO was awarded the contract to replace the primary electrical cable in the tunnel. The contract documents continue be routed for approvals. A pre-construction was held on August 21, 2008 to discuss the logistics of the work with the contractor. A second pre-construction meeting was held on-site with the contractor and sub-contractor on August 28, 2008 to review and verify on-site conditions.

#### A. Financial Status of M.I.S.

• D. Okamoto reported on the financial status of the MIS with a hand-out that identified final revenue and expenses for the period July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008.

## B. Accounts Receivable Collections Discussion:

- Duane reported an overall view of the Statewide Irrigation System Program and stated that the MIS represents the largest receivable balance among all irrigation programs; approximately 77.5% of the statewide total of \$253,944 as of June 30, 2008.
- Keep in mind that the majority of paying customers is subsidizing the non-paying customers.
- Duane also stated that HDOA has received an approximately 30% response, thus far, from the survey mailed out to all MIS water users.
- HDOA is also conducting face-to-face meetings with the following:

   Top 10 Homesteader users with large monthly consumptions,
   Top 10 Non-Homestead users with large monthly consumptions, and
   Top 10 Delinquent account holders.
- He hopes to present the results of the survey at the next board meeting.
- Walter Ritte stated that he did not agree with Duane's survey and efforts.
   Walter believes it's the wrong approach...in Molokai, the "entire" community should get together in a face-to-face meeting to resolve issues.
- Steve Arce stated that Duane went out because many users would not come to or participate in the MIS meetings.
- James Boswell stated that as far as adding to the number of board members, a community meeting would be acceptable, however, regarding delinquencies, no, because it's only an issue for certain non-paying users.

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V. New Business

None.

VI. Next Meeting Date: November 18, 2008 at 10:00 am, MIS Conference Room.

VII. Announcements: None

VIII. Meeting adjourned @ 11:12 am, motion by S. Arce; seconded by Geo. Maioho. Motioned carried.

Respectfully submitted

Yames Boswell, Secretary

MIS Water Users Advisory Board