

## **Minutes of the Palomar Mountain Planning Organization Meeting November 19, 1996**

### **Board Members Present:**

Terri Bailey, Thomas Burton, Robert Carlyle, Halcie Clark, Russ Day, Elizabeth Getzoff (alternate), Bruce Graves, Susan Humason, Jack Norvall, Michael Pique, Carol Ravenscroft, John Tainer, Robert Thicksten.

The PMPO Board meeting was convened at 10:04 A.M. November 19, 1996. Correction and approval of the minutes of the August 24, 1996 meeting were deferred.

The treasurer, Halcie Clark, reported the current balance of \$5956.96 plus \$5000 as an asset on retainer with attorneys Hatch & Parent. Expenses have been \$13 for P.O. Box rental; \$2218.24 to Hatch & Parent, and \$77.44 to Brian Mooney associates. Income has been \$95 from donations.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### **Cedar Creek Water Development:**

Tom Burton reported receipt of the Hatch & Parent (Santa Barbara water-rights attorneys) draft opinion letter on Mr. Yale's application and the San Diego County water extraction ordinance.

The letter covers a broad range of facts and law, and is considered a privileged communication. Accordingly, the PMPO adjourned to Executive Session at 10:30 A.M. to discuss the letter. Board members and alternates John Tainer, Elizabeth Getzoff, George Ravenscroft, Carol Ravenscroft, and Michael Pique excused themselves as possibly interested parties.

The open PMPO session reconvened at 12:10 P.M. Russ Day read the following resolution adopted in Executive Session: "It is the position of the PMPO that we are not opposed to ground water extraction for export where such occurs from natural flowing springs. However, we believe extraction for export from wells should occur only in conditions of proven basin surplus, and that the burden of demonstrating such surplus on an on-going basis shall be on the extractor."

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### **Fire permits on Yoga Center land:**

Terri Bailey believes that US Forest Service fire permits issued early this week for the Yoga Center land had insufficient attention to fire safety. She asked if the PMPO could write a letter on this issue because of proximity to the school. In discussion it turned out that the Palomar Mountain State Park responded and will write such a letter. The Chair decided the PMPO need not respond.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:32.

Michael E. Pique, Secretary.