

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT, JULY 23, 2018:**

*A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District was held Monday, July 23, 2018, at 2029 East Avenue Q, Palmdale, California, in the Board Room of the District office. President, Vincent Dino, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.*

**1) Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence.**

At the request of President Dino, Director Henriquez led the pledge of allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

**2) Roll Call.**

**Attendance:**

Vincent Dino, President  
Kathy Mac Laren, Vice President  
Marco Henriquez, Treasurer  
Joe Estes, Secretary  
Robert Alvarado, Assistant  
Secretary

**Others Present:**

Dennis LaMoreaux, General Manager  
Alondra Espinosa, Assistant General Counsel  
Mike Williams, Finance Manager  
Jim Riley, Engineering/Grant Manager  
Judy Shay, Public Affairs Director  
Mynor Masaya, Operations Manager  
Peter Thompson II, Deputy Water & Energy Res. Dir.  
Dawn Deans, Executive Assistant  
4 members of the public

**3) Adoption of Agenda.**

President Dino stated that Agenda Item No.'s 9, 10, 11, and 12 can be removed from tonight's agenda as there are no updates on these items after which it was moved by Director Henriquez, seconded by Director Alvarado, and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Directors present at the meeting to adopt the agenda, as amended, removing Agenda Item No.'s 9, 10, 11, and 12.

**4) Public Comments for Non-Agenda Items.**

There were no public comments.

**5) Presentations:**

**5.1) None at This Time.**

There were no presentations.

**6) Action Items – Consent Calendar: (The Public Shall Have an Opportunity to Comment on Any Action Item on the Consent Calendar as the Consent Calendar is Considered Collectively by the Board of Directors Prior to Action Being Taken.)**

**6.1) Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting Held July 9, 2018.**

**6.2) Payment of Bills for July 23, 2018.**

**6.3) Approval of 2018 Amended and Restated Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the Antelope Valley Regional Water Management Group IRWMP Cost Sharing. (\$63,692.00 – Budgeted – Engineering/Grant Manager Riley)**

**6.4) Approval of First Amendment to Agreement No. A-4089 Between the City of Palmdale, Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency, Palmdale Water District, and Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40 Antelope Valley for the Design, Construction, Operation and Maintenance of the Upper Amargosa Creek Flood Control Recharge and Habitat Restoration Project. (No Budget Impact – Budgeted – General Manager LaMoreaux)**

President Dino announced the items included in the Consent Calendar after which it was moved by Director Mac Laren, seconded by Director Alvarado, and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Directors present at the meeting to approve those items included in the Consent Calendar.

**7) Action Items - Action Calendar (The Public Shall Have an Opportunity to Comment on Any Action Item as Each Item is Considered by the Board of Directors Prior to Action Being Taken.)**

**7.1) Consideration and Possible Action on Adoption of Resolution No. 18-6 Being a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District in Support of Proposition 3 – The Water Supply and Water Quality Act of 2018. (No Budget Impact – Water and Energy Resources Director Pernula)**

Deputy Water and Energy Resources Director Thompson II provided a brief overview of Proposition 3 and the recommendation of the State Water Contractors to support this measure, and after a brief discussion, it was moved by Director Estes, seconded by Director Henriquez, and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Directors present at the meeting to adopt Resolution No. 18-6 being a Resolution of the

Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District in Support of Proposition 3 – The Water Supply and Water Quality Act of 2018.

A copy of Resolution No. 18-6 is hereby made a portion of the minutes of this meeting.

**7.2) Consideration and Possible Action on District Participation at the 2018 Antelope Valley Fair. (\$10,000.00 to \$15,000.00 – Non-Budgeted – Ad Hoc Antelope Valley Fair Committee-Director Mac Laren/Director Estes/General Manager LaMoreaux)**

Director Estes and Director Mac Laren provided an overview of the Ad Hoc Antelope Valley Fair Committee's recommendation for District participation at the 2018 Antelope Valley Fair as part of the District's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary events, and after a brief discussion of the benefit of this participation, it was moved by Director Alvarado and seconded by Director Mac Laren to contribute \$15,000.00 towards the Rural Olympics at the Antelope Valley Fair funded through the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary budget and through refunds received from the District's insurance provider.

Mr. Gary Van Dam, Antelope Valley Fair Director and AVEK Director, thanked the Board for their interest in the Antelope Valley Fair and stated that AVEK would match the District's funds.

After a further discussion, the motion unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Directors present at the meeting.

**7.3) Consideration and Possible Action on Outreach Activities for 2018. (Public Affairs Directory Shay)**

**a) Update on 100<sup>th</sup> Year Anniversary Events.**

Public Affairs Director Shay provided a wrap up of the July 22, 2018 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration event including the estimated attendance; press from attending elected officials, other organizations, and the Antelope Valley Press; positive comments received; and drone video and photographs after which the Board commended staff on a job well done for events planned for the District's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration.

**b) Outreach Plans for 2018.**

Public Affairs Director Shay then stated that the District now has 1,096 Facebook likes.

**c) Update on PWD Water Ambassadors Academy.**

She then stated that ten members of the public have registered to attend the District's Water Ambassadors Academy.

**d) Upcoming Events.**

She then stated that she will begin work on the District's sponsorship of the Rural Olympics at the Antelope Valley Fair.

**e) Outreach Recommendations From Directors.**

There was no update on this item.

**7.4) Consideration and Possible Action on Authorization of the Following Conferences, Seminars, and Training Sessions for Board and Staff Attendance Within Budget Amounts Previously Approved in the 2018 Budget:**

**a) None at This Time.**

There were no conferences, seminars, and training sessions to consider.

**8) Information Items:**

**8.1) Reports of Directors:**

**a) Meetings/General Report.**

Director Estes reported that on July 10, he attended the Ad Hoc Antelope Fair Committee meeting; that on July 18 he attended the Special Board meeting regarding work at Littlerock Dam; that on July 19, he attended a Board briefing with General Manager LaMoreaux regarding tonight's meeting; and that on July 22, he attended the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration event.

Director Henriquez reported that on July 19, he attended and chaired the Finance Committee meeting; that also on July 19, he attended the Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association meeting, and there is progress on the Big Rock Creek Recharge Project; that on July 21, he attended a telephone Board briefing with General Manager LaMoreaux regarding tonight's meeting; and that on July 22, he attended the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration event.

Director Mac Laren reported that on July 10, she attended the Ad Hoc Antelope Fair Committee meeting; that on July 16, she attended the Palmdale Recycled Water Authority meeting; that on July 18, she attended the Special Board meeting regarding work at Littlerock Dam; that on July 19, she attended the Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association meeting; and that on July 22, she attended the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration event. She then added to her report stating that on July 12, she attended the Antelope Valley Watermaster Public Water Suppliers meeting.

Director Alvarado reported that on July 16, he attended the Palmdale Recycled Water Authority meeting; that on July 18, he attended the Special Board meeting regarding work at Littlerock Dam; that on July 19, he attended the Finance Committee meeting; that also on July 19, he attended the Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association meeting; that also on July 19, he attended a Board briefing with General Manager LaMoreaux regarding tonight's meeting; and that on July 22, he attended the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration event.

President Dino reported that on July 10, he attended an AVEK Board meeting; that on July 12, he attended an agenda review and approval meeting; that on July 16, he attended the Palmdale Recycled Water Authority meeting; that on July 18 he attended a Board briefing with General Manager LaMoreaux regarding tonight's meeting; that also on July 18, he attended the Special Board meeting regarding work at Littlerock Dam; that on July 19, he attended the Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association meeting; that on July 22, he attended the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration event; and that on July 23, he is attending the Palmdale Water District Board meeting.

**b) Standing Committee/Assignment Reports (Chair):**

- 1) Palmdale Recycled Water Authority.**
- 2) Finance Committee.**
- 3) Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association.**

There were no further reports on Standing Committee/Assignments.

**8.2) Report of General Manager.**

**a) July 2018 Written Report of Activities Through June 2018.**

General Manager LaMoreaux stated that a written report was included in the agenda packets if there are any questions and then provided a detailed update on the status of ASI Construction LLC's construction of the grade control structure at Littlerock Reservoir and the anticipated construction start date of early August followed by discussion of a groundbreaking ceremony for this project.

He then stated that there have been 50 leaks to date.

He then stated that the District has been requested through the Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association to sponsor the construction of a conservation garden near the new Rural Museum at the Antelope Valley Fair; that this item is on AVEK's upcoming agenda; that the District's cost through the Association will be based on Table A allocations, and the requested amount may be within his budget authority for 2018 sponsorship; and that this item can be presented at a future Board meeting for long-term sponsorship.

He then stated that the Antelope Valley Fair sponsorship approved this evening includes an area with a static display of the District's historical posters along with a running loop of the District's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary videos.

Mr. Gary Van Dam then provided an overview of the new buildings and area planned for the Antelope Valley Fair's Rural Museum.

Director Alvarado then commended General Manager LaMoreaux on this speech at the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration.

**8.3) Report of General Counsel.**

Assistant General Counsel Espinosa introduced herself providing her brief biography and then stated that to prevent any Brown Act challenges, the Metropolitan Water District re-voted on July 10 to provide funding in the amount of \$10.8 million for the tunnels for the California Water Fix.

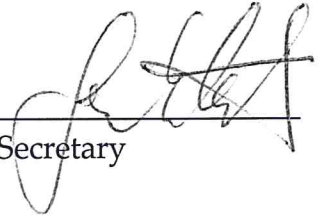
Director Alvarado then inquired about new regulations due to the Flint, Michigan water quality issue after which Assistant General Counsel Espinosa stated that she will provide an update on this topic at the next Board meeting.

**13) Board Members' Requests for Future Agenda Items.**

There were no requests for future agenda items.

**14) Adjournment.**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

  
Secretary

**RESOLUTION NO. 18-6  
A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT  
IN SUPPORT OF PROPOSITION 3 –  
THE WATER SUPPLY AND WATER QUALITY ACT OF 2018**

**WHEREAS**, the state of California has been in varying stages of drought for the past several years and faces a growing list of challenges associated with aging infrastructure, climate change, population growth and other factors; and

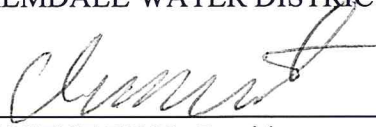
**WHEREAS**, the Water Supply and Water Quality Act of 2018 will appear as Proposition 3 on the November 6 ballot and will benefit individual water users, the environment, and agriculture, will result in improved water supplies for every part of the state, and will provide much needed investment in California's sustainable water future; and

**WHEREAS**, if approved by voters, Proposition 3 would make available \$8.9 billion dollars to fund projects for water supply and quality, watershed restoration, fish and wildlife protection, sustainable groundwater management, infrastructure repair, and the repair of existing dams and canals with \$500 million designated for safe drinking water for disadvantaged communities and \$640 million designated for sustainable groundwater management; and

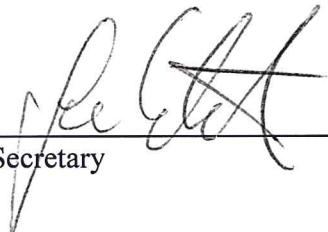
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District formally supports Proposition 3, the Water Supply and Water Quality Act of 2018 on the November ballot.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** on this 23 day of July, 2018 by the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District.

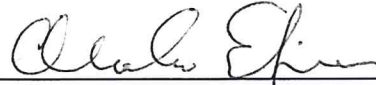
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VINCENT DINO, President

ATTEST:

  
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JOE ESTES, Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By:   
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Aleshire & Wynder, General Counsel