

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT, JULY 8, 2019:

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District was held Monday, July 8, 2019, 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 Alvarado led the pledge of allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

2) Roll Call.

Attendance:

Vincent Dino, President
Kathy Mac Laren, Vice President
Gloria Dizmang, Treasurer
Don Wilson, Secretary
Robert Alvarado, Assistant
Secretary

Others Present:

Dennis LaMoreaux, General Manager
Eric Dunn, General Counsel
Mike Williams, Finance Manager
Judy Shay, Public Affairs Director
Dawn Deans, Executive Assistant
1 member of the public

3) Adoption of Agenda.

It was moved by Director Alvarado, seconded by Director Mac Laren, and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Directors present at the meeting to adopt the agenda, as written.

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 June 24, 2019.

6.2) Payment of Bills for July 8, 2019.

6.3) Approval of Statement of Work Between the District and Ernst & Young for 2019-2020 State Water Project Procedures to be Performed Related to the Department of Water Resources' 2020 Statement of Charges. (\$9,063.00 – 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 Wilson, 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 California Special Districts Association's 2019 Board of Directors Election for Seat B in the Southern Network for the 2020-2022 Term. (No Budget Impact – General Manager LaMoreaux)

After a brief discussion of the number of candidates for Seat B, it was moved by Director Alvarado, seconded by Director Mac Laren, and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Directors present at the meeting that President Dino cast the District's vote in the California Special Districts Association's 2019 Board of Directors election for Seat B in the Southern Network for the 2020-2022 term.

7.2) 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 2019 Budget:

a) WaterSmart Innovations 2019 Conference to be Held October 1 – 4, 2019 in Las Vegas, Nevada.

After a brief discussion of this conference, it was moved by Director Dizmang, seconded by Director Mac Laren, and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Directors present at the meeting to approve the following conferences, seminars, and training sessions for Board and staff attendance within budget amounts previously

approved in the 2019 Budget: WaterSmart Innovations 2019 Conference to be held October 1 – 4, 2019 in Las Vegas, Nevada.

8) Information Items:

8.1) Reports of Directors:

a) Meetings/General Report.

Director Wilson reported that on June 4 - 7, he attended the Bay-Delta Tour in Sacramento and reviewed the highlights of the tour; that on June 10, he attended the Regular Board Meeting; that also on June 10, he attended a Board briefing with General Manager LaMoreaux regarding the June 10 Regular Board Meeting; that on June 11, he attended the Financial Health and Stability Committee meeting; that also on June 11, he attended a Board briefing regarding the Financial Health and Stability Committee meeting; that on June 12, he attended a Palmdale Water District facilities tour with Director Dizmang, General Manager LaMoreaux, and Assistant General Manager Ly; that on June 17, he attended Social Media Training with Public Affairs and I.T. Staff, which was previously reported as June 7; that also on June 17, he attended a Board briefing with Finance Manager Williams for a detailed overview of Financial Health and Stability Committee reports; and that on June 24, he is attending the Regular Board Meeting.

Director Dizmang reported that on June 12, she attended a facilities tour with Director Wilson, General Manager LaMoreaux, and Assistant General Manager Ly, which was previously reported as June 14; that on June 24, she is attending the Regular Board Meeting; and that on July 3, she attended a Board briefing with General Manager LaMoreaux and Assistant General Manager Ly regarding tonight's Board Meeting.

Director Mac Laren reported that on June 26, she attended the Antelope Valley Watermaster meeting.

Director Alvarado reported that on July 3, he attended a Board briefing with General Manager LaMoreaux and Assistant General Manager Ly regarding tonight's Board Meeting and then provided a detailed overview of previously reported Special District Summit Training.

President Dino reported that on June 27, he attended an agenda review and approval meeting; that on July 3, he attended a Board briefing with General Manager

LaMoreaux and Assistant General Manager Ly regarding tonight's Board Meeting; and that on July 8, he is attending the Palmdale Water District Regular Board Meeting.

b) Standing Committee/Assignment Reports (Chair):

1) None.

There were no further reports on Standing Committee/Assignments.

8.2) Report of General Manager.

**a) Update on Security for Palmdale Lake and Palmdale Ditch.
(Director Dizmang)**

General Manager LaMoreaux provided an overview of the District's security measures for Palmdale Lake, including controlled access, on site 24-hour security, and water quality monitoring, and for Palmdale Ditch, including water quality monitoring, walking the length of the Ditch twice a day when water is flowing, and fencing to be installed next week; an overview of the earthquake standards required for the construction of Palmdale Dam and how the flow of water is controlled and stored in the event of any problems with the Dam; and the requirement for agencies to update their inundation maps and Emergency Action Plans due to the Oroville Dam incident, which have been prepared and submitted for both Palmdale Dam and Littlerock Dam.

The Board then stated that this is important information for the public.

General Manager LaMoreaux then stated that staff did a very good job of responding to the District's facilities due to the 6.4 and 7.1 magnitude earthquakes centered near Ridgecrest; that a full inspection was conducted on July 6 indicating no damage at the Leslie O. Carter Water Treatment Plant, either Dam, or any remote site; that the water flow through Palmdale Ditch was turned off and a few areas were noted in need of repair, however, it is unknown if this was due to the earthquakes; that he contacted the Indian Wells Valley Water District General Manager in Ridgecrest to offer assistance, and they indicated they had only minor damage; and then reviewed the various response networks the District is involved with in the event of any major earthquake damage to our facilities, mutual aid agreements, and the District's efforts to increase inventory and be prepared for a major earthquake.

The Board then thanked General Manager LaMoreaux for the rapid update on the earthquakes via text messaging.

8.3) Report of General Counsel.

General Counsel Dunn reported that the state's budget includes the Safe Drinking Water funding solution of \$100 million from greenhouse gas funds and \$30 million from the general fund with future years funded through greenhouse gas funds and that SB 200 is expected to be adopted by the senate this week.

He then provided an overview of several first amendment-related cases and stated that Director Alvarado is a former soccer coach for a law clerk from their office.

9) Board Members' Requests for Future Agenda Items.

Director Alvarado requested an agenda item for "Update on the District's water main replacement program."

There were no further requests for future agenda items.

10) Adjournment.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:47 p.m.


Secretary