

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT, SEPTEMBER 23, 2019:**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District was held Monday, September 23, 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 Mac Laren 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
Adam Ly, Assistant General Manager
Mike Williams, Finance Manager
Judy Shay, Public Affairs Director
Dawn Deans, Executive Assistant
1 member of the public

3) Adoption of Agenda.

President Dino stated that Agenda Item No.'s 9, 10, and 11 can be removed from tonight's agenda 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 adopt the agenda, as amended, removing Agenda Item No.'s 9, 10, and 11.

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 September 9, 2019.

6.2) Payment of Bills for September 23, 2019.

6.3) Ratify the District's Sponsorship of a Table at the Antelope Valley Rural Museum's "Annual Night at the Rural Museum." (\$500.00 – Budgeted – Budget Item No. 1-02-4190-007-Marketing/Outreach – General Manager LaMoreaux)

6.4) Reject Claim Received From Romeo and Rachel Stoll and Refer to Joint Powers Insurance Authority. (No Budget Impact – Finance Manager Williams)

President Dino announced the items included in the Consent Calendar after which it was moved by Director Mac Laren, seconded by Director Dizmang, 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 to Cohost the Greater Antelope Valley Water Emergency Coalition Event on October 30, 2019 and Authorize a Contribution of Not-to-Exceed Amount of \$5,000.00. (\$5,000.00 – Budgeted – Budget Item No. 1-02-4190-007-Marketing/Outreach – Public Affairs Director Shay/Regional Leadership and Outreach Committee)

Public Affairs Director Shay provided an overview of the Greater Antelope Valley Water Emergency Coalition event, additional cohosts, and a draft program for the event, after which it was moved by Director Dizmang, seconded by Director Alvarado, and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Directors present at the meeting to approve the District to cohost the Greater Antelope Valley Water Emergency Coalition event on October 30, 2019 and to authorize a contribution in the not-to-exceed amount of \$5,000.00.

7.2) Consideration and Possible Action on Adoption of Legislative Advocacy Policy. (No Budget Impact – General Manager LaMoreaux/Regional Leadership and Outreach Committee)

General Manager LaMoreaux provided an overview of the purpose of the Legislative Advocacy Policy after which 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 adopt the Legislative Advocacy Policy.

7.3) 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) None at this Time.

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

7.4) Adjourn to September 23, 2019 Annual Meeting of the Public Facilities Corporation. (General Manager LaMoreaux)

At 6:10 p.m., President Dino adjourned the Regular Board Meeting to the September 23, 2019 Annual Meeting of the Public Facilities Corporation.

He called the Regular Board Meeting back to order at 6:13 p.m.

7.5) Consideration and Possible Action to Approve an Extension of Milestones and Minimum Usage, or Payment, Contained in County Sanitation District Contract No. 5001 with Palmdale Water District and Authorize General Manager LaMoreaux to Finalize and Execute Said Extension. (No Budget Impact – General Manager LaMoreaux)

General Manager LaMoreaux provided an overview of the extension to County Sanitation District Contract No. 5001, and after a brief discussion of the benefit of extending this contract, it was moved by Director Alvarado, seconded by Director Dizmang, and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Directors present at the meeting to approve an extension of milestones and minimum usage, or payment,

contained in County Sanitation District Contract No. 5001 with Palmdale Water District and to authorize General Manager LaMoreaux to finalize and execute said extension.

8) Information Items:

8.1) Reports of Directors:

a) Meetings; Standing Committee/Assignment Reports; General Report.

Director Alvarado reported that on August 29, he attended required AB 1825 sexual harassment training; that on September 12, he attended the Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association meeting; that on September 17, he attended the Regional Leadership and Outreach Committee meeting; that on September 18, he attended the employee all-hands luncheon with Director Mac Laren; that on September 19, he attended the funeral services for former Palmdale Water District Director Wayne Hoffmeyer; that also on September 19, he attended a Board briefing with General Manager LaMoreaux and Assistant General Manager Ly regarding tonight's Board Meeting; and that on September 20, he attended the ACWA Region 8 Legislative Forum.

As Acting Chair, he then reported that at the September 17 Regional Leadership and Outreach Committee meeting, the members attending were Alternate Committee Member Dino and himself; the Committee considered the Legislative Advocacy Policy approved earlier this evening where the Committee agreed the Policy is needed to support or oppose legislation in a timely manner and recommended its approval to the full Board; and the Committee was updated on and concurred with outreach activities for 2019, including the issuance of press releases, regional leadership supporting events, and various Proposition 218 water rate revenue increase activities.

He then provided a detailed report on specific items discussed at the ACWA Region 8 Legislative Forum as outlined on the Director Meeting Report Form hereby made a portion of the minutes of this meeting.

Director Mac Laren reported that on September 11, she attended a meeting with Dr. Mathis and President Dino to review ideas for the direction of the District, and Dr. Mathis will be scheduling dates to meet with other Directors; that on September 16, she attended the Antelope Valley Watermaster Public Water Supplier meeting via telephone; that on September 18, she attended the employee all-hands luncheon with Director Alvarado; that on September 19, she attended the Organizational Excellence

Committee meeting; and that also on September 19, she attended a Board briefing with General Manager LaMoreaux and Assistant General Manager Ly regarding tonight's Board Meeting.

Director Dizmang reported that on September 12, she attended required AB 1825 sexual harassment training; that on September 19, she attended the Organizational Excellence Committee meeting; and that also on September 19, she attended a Board briefing with General Manager LaMoreaux and Assistant General Manager Ly regarding tonight's Board Meeting.

As Chair, she then reported that at the September 19 Organizational Excellence Committee meeting, the members attending were Committee Member Mac Laren and herself; the Committee considered and approved Diversity and Inclusion Training for staff scheduled for December 12 and reviewed the qualifications of the speaker for this training; the Committee concurred with maintaining the District's current benefits package and policy; and the Committee was informed that the District has been approved for the District Transparency Certificate of Excellence.

Director Wilson reported that on September 5, he attended a Board briefing with General Manager LaMoreaux and Assistant General Manager Ly regarding the September 9 Regular Board Meeting; that on September 7, he attended the Open House at the Leslie O. Carter Water Treatment Plant regarding the 2019 Water Rate Study; that on September 10, he attended his Coffee with a Director event; that on September 17, he attended the Regional Leadership and Outreach Committee meeting; and that on September 19, he attended a Board briefing with General Manager LaMoreaux and Assistant General Manager Ly regarding tonight's Board Meeting.

He then added to his report that he will be attending the California Special Districts Association Annual Conference next week September 24 to 28, 2019.

President Dino reported that on September 10, he attended an AVEK Board Meeting; that on September 11, he attended a meeting with Dr. Mathis and Director Mac Laren; that on September 12, he attended the Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association meeting; that on September 17, he attended the Regional Leadership and Outreach Committee meeting filling in as an alternate for Director Wilson; that on September 19, he attended a Board briefing with General Manager LaMoreaux and Assistant General Manager Ly regarding tonight's Board Meeting; that on September 20, he attended the Los Angeles County Sanitation District meeting; that on September 23, he is attending the Palmdale Water District Board Meeting; and that

on September 24, he will be attending the Community Workshop regarding the water rate revenue increase.

8.2) Report of General Manager.

a) September 2019 Written Report of Activities Through August 2019.

General Manager LaMoreaux stated that a written report was included with the agenda packets if there are any questions and then stated that water production and billing are above water projections for the first time this year and that leaks are now at 73.

He then reported that eight tickets are available for the Antelope Valley Rural Museum's "Annual Night at the Rural Museum" if the Directors are interested in attending.

8.3) Report of General Counsel.

General Counsel Dunn provided an overview of AB5 regarding independent contractors and whether or not they are employees and stated that this bill may affect public agencies.

A new law affecting commercial diesel vehicles was then discussed.

12) Board Members' Requests for Future Agenda Items.

Director Dizmang stated that she recently had the District conduct a residential water use survey at her home and that she highly recommends this survey.

Director Alvarado stated that the Fin and Feather Club has invited all Directors to attend their upcoming Shoot for Girls-Run for the Cure event on October 13.

Director Dizmang inquired about the security of the fence around the Fin and Feather Club, and General Manager LaMoreaux stated that an update on this item will be provided at the next Regular Board Meeting.

There were no requests for future agenda items.

13) Adjournment.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:01 p.m.


Secretary

DIRECTOR MEETING REPORT FORM

NAME: ROBERT ALVARADO DATE: 9-20-19

PWD BOARD APPROVAL DATE: 09-23-19

NAME OF MEETING/ORGANIZATION:

ACWA REGION 8 LEGISLATIVE FORUM

DATE(S) AND LOCATION OF MEETING:

09-20-19

BROOKSIDE GOLF CLUB / PASADENA

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER OF MEETING:

LEGISLATIVE SESSION END REPORT ON
SEVERAL KEY WATER BILLS.

SB 1 (ATKINS) GIVE STATE AGENCIES POWER TO ADOPT FED ENVIRONMENTAL & LABOR LAWS

AB 402 (QUIRT) FEES ON WATER AGENCIES.

AB 658 (ARAMBULA) GROUNDWATER RECHARGE. IS A REINTRO OF AB 264

AB 1415 (FRIEDMAN) DWR REPORTING REQUIREMENTS & PENALTIES

KEY POINT(S) RELATING TO PWD OPERATIONS AND/OR POLICIES:

AN OVERVIEW OF THE WOOLSEY FIRE ON NOV. 8

SB 19 (DODD) STREAM GAGES

SB 487 (CABALLERO) AERIAL SNOW SURVEY

MUTUAL AID AGREEMENTS / WATER REUSE - RECYCLED RATES GOING UP BIG

CATASTROPHIC RISKS - HUGE VOLATILITY IN THE INS. WORLD

DRINKING WATER QUALITY - PFAS (SK) ONLY 14 CONTAMINANTS

LIST OF NEW CONTACT(S) AND HOW THEY CAN BENEFIT PWD:

LYNNE PLAMBLACK - SANTA CLARITA WD

STEVE BLOIS, CHAIR REGION 8 ACWA

BRENT HASTEY, PRESIDENT ACWA

DAVE EGGERTON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACWA

~~TOM~~ DAVE PEDERSEN, GM LAS VIRGINES MUNICIPAL WD

BARBARA HOGAN & HER GM

TOM