

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
WESTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

April 5, 2017

CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Western Municipal Water District was called to order at 9:30 a.m. and Boy Scout Troup 419 member Mitchell Barron led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Directors Present

Tom Evans, President (Absent)
Brenda Dennstedt, Vice President
Robert Stockton, Secretary-Treasurer
Donald D. Galleano (Absent)
S. R. "Al" Lopez

Others Present

John Rossi, General Manager
Craig Miller, Deputy General Manager
Jeff Sims, Assistant General Manager/Chief Operating Officer
Tim Barr, Director of Water Resources
Candi Judd, Director of Human Resources
Paul Rugge, Director of Operations
Derek Kawaii, Director of Engineering
Greg Duecker, Director of Administration
Ryan Shaw, Deputy Director of Engineering
Karly Gaynor, Water Planning and Policy Manager
Tom Thornton, Principal Engineer
Michele McKinney, Special Projects Coordinator
Rob Whipple, Water Resources Specialist II
Jean Perry, Executive Assistant
Steve Gustafsson, IT Specialist III
Jeff Ferre, Best, Best and Krieger
Michelle Diamond, Tetra Tech, Inc.
Mitchell Barron, Boy Scouts Troop 419

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Any person may address the Board upon any subject within Western's jurisdiction, which is not on the agenda, at this time. However, any non-agenda matter that requires action will be referred to staff for a report and action at a subsequent Board meeting. Any person may also address the Board on any agenda matter at the time that matter is discussed, prior to Board Action.

There were no members of the public who wished to speak during Oral Communications.

M-6647 – Approval of Consent Calendar

It was moved by Director Lopez, seconded by Director Stockton to approve the Consent Calendar. As a result, the following Consent Calendar items were approved:

- A) Approve Directors' Requests for Compensation
- B) Approve Regular Board Minutes, March 15, 2017
- C) Consider Approval of an Electronic Content Management System
- D) Receive and File Cash Disbursement Reports, February 2017
- E) Receive and File Government Code Section 53065.5 Disclosure Report, February 2017
- F) Receive and File Investment Report, February 2017

Motion carried 3-0 with Director Evans and Director Galleano absent.

- END OF CONSENT CALENDAR -

With approval from the Board the Closed Session Items were moved to this place on the Agenda.

M-6648 – Closed Session

At 9:37 a.m. Vice President Dennstedt announced that the Board would go into Closed Session on the following matters:

- A) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) and (4)
of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9
Two potential cases
- B) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Potential initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of
Government Code Section 54956.9
Two potential cases

The Board came out of Closed Session and reconvened into Open Session at 11:00 a.m. Special Counsel David Aladjem said that for Agenda Item 8-A, one potential item, the Board met with legal counsel and considered a proposed settlement offer and has rejected that offer. The offer was for a total of \$225,000. The Board did not go into closed session on the second of the two potential cases under Item 8-A.

Legal Counsel Jeff Ferre said that for Agenda Item 8-B there was two potential cases. On one potential case, there was no reportable action. On the other potential case, on a motion from Director Lopez, seconded by Director Stockton the Board took action to authorize legal counsel to file a breach of contract action against San Jose Water Conservation Corporation. The motion passed 3-0-2, with Directors Evans and Galleano absent.

General Counsel Report

Legal Counsel Jeff Ferre provided an update on Assembly Bill 313 addressing the role of the State Water Resources Control Board.

Staff Reports

General Manager John Rossi and staff reported on the following:

- Western continues to work with City of Riverside Public Utilities on a long term wheeling agreement, noting plans to bring an agreement to the Board on April 19, 2017
- Announced that Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority General Manager Celeste Cantu has given her resignation of employment effective in June 2017
- Deputy General Manager Craig Miller provided an update on outreach for the La Sierra Pipeline Project
- Water Planning and Policy Manager Karly Gaynor provided an update on the United States Bureau Grant Application for Western's updated Water Use Efficiency Master Plan
- Director of Administration Greg Duecker made a presentation on "Garden 2.0" Beyond Water-wise Education
- Assistant General Manager/Chief Operating Officer Jeff Sims reported that the City of Riverside approved an interagency agreement regarding sewer service on Van Buren Boulevard
- Assistant General Manager/Chief Operating Officer Jeff Sims reported that the Western Riverside County Regional Wastewater Authority (WRCRWA) odor issue has improved; and WRCRWA has settled with the Air Quality Management District in regard to an abatement order

SAWPA Report

Director Dennstedt provided a summary report of the meeting.

MWD Report

General Manager John Rossi said there was nothing to report today.

CBWM Report

General Manager John Rossi said there was nothing to report today.

CDA Report

Director Lopez said there was nothing to report today.

WRCRWA Report

Director Lopez said there was nothing to report today.

WRCOG Report

Director Dennstedt provided a summary report of the meeting, noting that the 26th Annual General Assembly is scheduled to be held on June 22, 2017, at the Morongo Casino, Resort & Spa, and Former Department of Defense Secretary Dr. Robert Gates is going to be the keynote speaker.

SRRRA Report

Director Dennstedt said there was nothing to report today.

Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Board, at 11:35 a.m. Vice President Dennstedt adjourned the Regular Board Meeting of Western Municipal Water District.


BRENDA DENNSTEDT
Vice President


ROBERT STOCKTON
Secretary-Treasurer