

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

September 20, 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 Director Lopez led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Legal Counsel confirmed the following with Director Dennstedt who was attending the meeting via teleconference: Director Dennstedt could hear the proceedings, the agenda had been posted at the teleconference location, and there was no one else present at the teleconference location who wished to speak.

Directors Present

Tom Evans, Presiding (Absent)

Brenda Dennstedt, Vice President (Attended via teleconference from the following location: Flagstaff Medical Center, Education Center, 1000 N Humphreys, Suite 241 & 242, Room #3, Flagstaff, AZ 86001; Attended closed session via teleconference and departed at 10:24 a.m.)

Robert Stockton, Secretary-Treasurer

Donald D. Galleano

S. R. "Al" Lopez

Others Present

John Rossi, General Manager

Craig Miller, Deputy General Manager

Kevin Mascaro, Director of Finance

Tim Barr, Director of Water Resources

Candi Judd, Director of Human Resources

Derek Kawaii, Director of Engineering

Greg Duecker, Director of Administration

Ryan Shaw, Deputy Director of Water Resources

Chris Fike, Deputy Director of Operations

Karly Gaynor, Water Planning and Policy Manager

Michael Hadley, Government Affairs Officer I

Rachel McGuire, Communications Manager

Anna Briones, Senior Accountant

Phoung Hunter Management Analyst II

Yolanda Magana, Clerical Assistant

Jean Perry, Executive Assistant

Jeff Ferre, Best, Best and Krieger

Tom Pierik, Lee and Associates

Andrew Peake, Lee and Associates

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-6701 – Approval of Consent Calendar

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

- A) Approve Directors' Request for Compensation
- B) Approve Regular Board Meeting Minutes, September 6, 2017

A Roll Call Vote was taken and the motion carried 4-0 with President Evans absent.

- END OF CONSENT CALENDAR -

Director Galleano extended to Director Dennstedt the Board and staff's heartfelt condolences to her and her family for the loss of her daughter Lianne.

M-6702 – Add Closed Session Item 8-D to the Agenda

Legal Counsel stated that pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2 there is a need to take immediate action and that need came to the attention of the District after the posting of the agenda. The matter is regarding the receipt of a claim from the City of Riverside. It was moved by Director Lopez, seconded by Director Galleano to add the following Closed Session Item 8-D to the agenda:

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9

Receipt of claim; Claimant - City of Riverside

A Roll Call Vote was taken and the motion carried 4-0 with President Evans absent.

M-6703 – Consider Adoption of Resolution 3008 Establishing the Arlington Desalter Water Rate

General Manager John Rossi introduced Senior Accountant Anna Briones who explained that this item is to set the rate for water sold from the Arlington Desalter at \$962.00 per acre foot. Following a full discussion and consideration of this matter by the Board, a motion was made by Director Galleano, second by Director Lopez to adopt

Resolution 3008 establishing the Arlington Desalter Water Rate. A Roll Call Vote was taken and the motion carried 4-0 with President Evans absent.

M-6704 – Consider Authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding with Azusa Pacific University

General Manager John Rossi introduced Director of Human Resources Candi Judd who explained that this potential agreement with Azusa Pacific University will offer discounted tuition to staff, their spouses and their dependent children under the age of 26. Following a full discussion and consideration of this matter by the Board, a motion was made by Director Lopez, seconded by Director Galleano to authorize the General Manager to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the Azusa Pacific University for the Master of Business and Bachelor Degree programs. A Roll Call Vote was taken and the motion carried 4-0 with President Evans absent.

Consider Approval of Job Classification Plan and Salary Grades Table Amendment

This item was pulled and will be brought back to the Board at a later date.

Legal Counsel Report

Legal Counsel Jeff Ferre provided an update on the Little Hoover Commission's report on Special Districts in California.

Staff Reports

General Manager John Rossi and staff reported on the following:

- Water Planning and Policy Manager Karly Gaynor made a presentation regarding the Western-San Bernardino Watermaster Annual Report
- Discussed the Official Region 9 Board Ballot for the 2018-2019 Term
- Provided an update on the upcoming proposed water rate town halls
- Deputy General Manager Craig Miller provided an update on the Arlington Wells

SAWPA Report

A summary report of the meeting was provided and General Manager John Rossi noted that Rich Haller was appointed as the new general manager at SAWPA.

MWD Report

Director Galleano provided a summary report of the meeting and noted that there will be a special board meeting on September 26, 2017 in regard to the California WaterFix, with a vote scheduled for the October 10th board meeting.

CBWM Report

Director Galleano said there was nothing to report today.

CDA Report

Director Stockton said there was nothing to report today.

WRCRWA Report

Director Lopez said there was nothing to report today.

WRCOG Report

A summary report of the meeting was provided.

SRRRA Report

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

Directors Report

Director Dennstedt asked staff to extend her regrets for not attending the Murrieta Town Hall meeting scheduled for September 21, 2017, and thank the community for the huge outpouring of support and prayers that she and her family have received.

At 10:00 a.m. Director Stockton announced that there would be a moment of silence in memory of Lianne Dennstedt.

Closed Session

At 10:01 a.m. Legal Counsel Jeff Ferre announced that the Board would go into Closed Session on the items 8-B and 8-D:

- 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
One potential case

- B) CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS
Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.8
Property: 450 E. Alessandro Boulevard, Riverside CA
Agency negotiator: John Rossi
Negotiating parties – Costanzo Investments, Heslin Holdings, Orangecrest Community Church, County of Riverside
Under negotiation: price and terms of payment

C) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9

One potential case

D) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9

Receipt of claim; Claimant - City of Riverside

The Board came out of Closed Session and reconvened into Open Session at 10:26 a.m. Legal Counsel Jeff Ferre said that for agenda item 8-B there was direction given to real property negotiators, and for agenda item 8-D, which was added to the agenda, the Board endorsed forwarding the claim to the District's insurance carrier, which is a normal process for a claim of this nature. There was no other reportable action. The Board did not go in to closed session on items 8-A and 8-C.

Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Board, at 10:26 a.m. Director Stockton adjourned the Regular Board Meeting of Western Municipal Water District in honor of Lianne Dennstedt.



THOMAS P. EVANS
President



ROBERT STOCKTON
Secretary-Treasurer