

# MINUTES OF A BOARD WORKSHOP

April 28, 2015 at 4:00 P.M.

Directors Present:

Lonni Granlund, President  
Bruce Granlund, Director  
Tom Shalhoub, Director

Staff Present:

Joseph Zoba, General Manager  
Jack Nelson, Assistant General Manager  
Bob Wall, Operations Manager  
Brent Anton, Engineering Manager  
Vicky Elisalda, Controller  
Jennifer Ares, Water Resource Manager  
John Wrobel, Regulatory & Environmental Control  
Manager

Directors Absent:

Jay Bogh, Vice President  
Ken Munoz, Director

Consulting Staff Present:

David Wysocki, Legal Counsel  
Scott Goldman, RMC

Guests and Others Present:

Vincent Chen, Student  
Vanessa Register, Customer  
David Duron, Customer  
Richard Siegmund, Customer  
Leonard Stevenson, San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency  
Steven Copelan, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District  
Bill Hemsley, City of Yucaipa

- I. Call to Order - 4:00 p.m.
- II. Public Comments - General Manager Joseph Zoba recognized the members of the Board of Directors and District staff in attendance.
  - David Duron provided comments about increasing the purchase of imported water during the next budget year.
  - Vanessa Register requested an update on the status of the District's sustainability program related to the issuance of building permits.
- III. Staff Report:
  - General Manager Joseph Zoba discussed the Community Water meeting scheduled for May 21, 2015.
- IV. Presentations
  - A. Presentation of Sweepstakes Award-Winning Science Fair Project by Vincent Chen [Workshop Memorandum No. 15-072] - Vincent Chen provided an overview of his award-winning science fair project.
  - B. Overview of the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Inland Solar Challenge Competition [Workshop Memorandum No. 15-073] - Water Resource Manager Jennifer Ares provided an

overview of the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Inland Solar Challenge Competition held at the Yucaipa Regional Park on April 24-26, 2015.

- C. Overview of Tiered Water Rate Structures Pursuant to the Recent Ruling by the Fourth District Court of Appeal, Division Three *Capistrano Taxpayers Association v. City of San Juan Capistrano* [Workshop Memorandum No. 15-074] - General Manager Joseph Zoba provided an overview of the recent tier rate case involving the City of San Juan Capistrano.
  - D. Overview of Turf Removal & Replacement Policies by the California Urban Water Conservation Council [Workshop Memorandum No. 15-075] - General Manager Joseph Zoba provided an overview of the turf removal document released by the California Urban Water Conservation Council.
  - E. Overview of California Drought Conditions and Related Regional Issues [Workshop Memorandum No. 15-076] - General Manager Joseph Zoba provided an overview of the current drought conditions.
  - F. Overview of Proposed State Water Resources Control Board Mandatory Restrictions to Achieve a 25% Statewide Reduction in Potable Urban Water Use [Workshop Memorandum No. 15-077] - General Manager Joseph Zoba provided an overview of the proposed emergency drinking water regulations to be enacted by the State Water Resources Control Board. During this agenda item, the Board of Directors provided District staff with a consensus to begin the implementation and distribution of Skydrop irrigation controllers.
- V. Operational Issues
- A. Update on the Potential Use of the District Building at 35192 Cedar Avenue - Yucaipa (Assessor Parcel Number 0303-232-17) [Workshop Memorandum No. 15-078] - General Manager Joseph Zoba provided an update on the status of the proposed radio station at the existing building on Cedar Avenue, Yucaipa.
  - B. Review of Alternative Sludge Dewatering Equipment at the Wochholz Regional Water Recycling Facility [Workshop Memorandum No. 15-079] - Scott Goldman from RMC provided an overview of the testing procedures and need to proceed with an analysis of sludge dewatering equipment at the Wochholz Regional Water Recycling Facility.
- VI. Capital Improvement Projects
- A. Status Report on the Construction of a 6.0 Million Gallon Drinking Water Reservoir R-12.4 - Calimesa [Workshop Memorandum No. 15-080] - Engineering Manager Brent Anton provided an overview of the R-12.4 Reservoir Project.
  - B. Status Report on the Installation of an Air Conditioning System at Lift Station No. 1 [Workshop Memorandum No. 15-081] - Regulatory & Environmental Control Manager John Wrobel provided an update on the status of the air conditioning project at Lift Station No. 1.
  - C. Status Report on the Construction of Replacement Digester Covers and Associated Piping at the Wochholz Regional Water Recycling Facility [Workshop Memorandum No. 15-082] - Scott Goldman from RMC provided an overview of the bid results for the Digester Cleaning and Cover Replacement Project.
  - D. Status Report on the Construction of the 8<sup>th</sup> Street and Washington Drive Replacement Pipelines [Workshop Memorandum No. 15-083] - Engineering Manager Brent Anton provided an overview of the Washington Drive Pipeline Project.
- VII. Administrative Items

- A. Identification and Declaration of Bad Debts for Calendar Year 2013 [Workshop Memorandum No. 15-084] - Controller Vicky Elisalda provided an overview of the 2013 bad debt.
  - B. Review of Alternative Payment Options for Customers of the Yucaipa Valley Water District [Workshop Memorandum No. 15-085] - This item was continued to the next board workshop.
  - C. Discussion Regarding Draft Surplus Recycled Water Exchange Agreement Between Yucaipa Valley Water District and Beaumont Cherry Valley Water District [Workshop Memorandum No. 15-086] - General Manager Joseph Zoba provided an overview of the proposed recycled water exchange agreement with Beaumont Cherry Valley Water District.
- VIII. Director Comments - There were no director comments.
- IX. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Joseph B. Zoba, Secretary