

# MINUTES OF A BOARD WORKSHOP

January 26, 2016 at 4:00 P.M.

## Directors Present:

Lonni Granlund, President  
Jay Bogh, Vice President  
Bruce Granlund, Director  
Ken Munoz, Director  
Tom Shalhoub, Director

## Staff Present:

Joseph Zoba, General Manager  
Jack Nelson, Assistant General Manager  
Brent Anton, Engineering Manager  
John Hull, Public Works Manager  
Jeremy Costello, Engineering Technician II  
Vicky Elisalda, Controller  
John Wrobel, Regulatory & Environmental Control  
Manager  
Thaxton Van Belle, Senior Plant Operator  
Jennifer Ares, Water Resource Manager

## Directors Absent:

None

## Consulting Staff Present:

David Wysocki, Legal Counsel

## Guests and Others Present:

Diann Granlund, Customer  
Vanessa Register, Customer  
David Duron, Customer  
Richard Siegmund, Customer  
Jan Leja, Customer  
Linda Shelton, Customer

- I. Call to Order - 4:00 p.m.
- II. Public Comments - There were no public comments during this portion of the board workshop.
- III. Staff Report - General Manager Joseph Zoba discussed the following topics:
  - The San Gorgonio Pass Regional Water Alliance meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 27, 2016 at the City of Banning.
  - The California Department of Water Resources has increased the allotment of water from the State Water Project from 10% to 15%.
  - The Western Heights Mutual Water Company approved a recycled water service agreement for the Yucaipa High School.
  - The District staff has submitted water conservation grants for additional Skydrop irrigation controllers with the Bureau of Reclamation.
  - The Beaumont Cherry Valley Water District will be hosting a presentation from the San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency on February 10, 2016, regarding the collection of facility capacity charges.
- IV. Presentations
  - A. Overview of the California Drought and Yucaipa Valley Water District's Action Plan Related to the State Water Resources Control Board Mandatory Restrictions to Achieve a 36% Reduction in Potable Urban Water Use [Workshop Memorandum

No. 16-013] - General Manager Joseph Zoba reported on the District's water conservation efforts and the steps taken to achieve the required 36% water conservation goal required by the State Water Resources Control Board. During this agenda item, there was a consensus from the Board of Directors to continue with the installation of 500 additional Skydrop Irrigation Controllers.

- B. Overview of the Yucaipa Valley Water District's Strategic Plan for a Sustainable Future - The Integration and Preservation of Resources and Proposed Enhancements [Workshop Memorandum No. 16-014] - General Manager Joseph Zoba discussed the policy issues associated with the lack of imported water availability in the San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency and the need to further implement recycled water projects in the region. This discussion involved the implementation of a Maximum Allowable Water Use calculation for dual-plumbed homes.
- V. Operational Updates
- A. Overview of Operational Activities in Preparation and Response to the 2016 Winter Storm Events [Workshop Memorandum No. 16-015] - Engineering Manager Brent Anton provided information to the Board of Directors about the sewer bridge support project in Yucaipa Creek.
  - B. Review of Updated Standard Specifications for Drinking Water, Recycled Water, and Sewer Facilities [Workshop Memorandum No. 16-016] - Engineering Manager Brent Anton provided an overview of the proposed standard drawings.
- 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. 16-017] - Engineering Manager Brent Anton provided an overview of the Reservoir R-12.4 project construction.
  - B. Status Report on the Digester Cleaning and Cover Replacement Project at the Wochholz Regional Water Recycling Facility [Workshop Memorandum No. 16-018] - Senior Plant Operator Thaxton Van Belle provided an overview of the digester project and Change Order No. 1 related to additional coating work.
- VII. Administrative Items
- A. Demolition of the Building, Basement and Foundation at 35192 Cedar Avenue, Yucaipa (Assessor Parcel Number 0303-232-17) [Workshop Memorandum No. 16-019] - General Manager Joseph Zoba provided an overview of the proposals to demolish structures at the District's Cedar Avenue property.
  - B. Overview of Procurement Methodologies and Emergency Procedures [Workshop Memorandum No. 16-020] - General Manager Joseph Zoba provided information about the standard proposal and emergency proposal process.
- VIII. Director Comments
- Director Ken Munoz requested an update on the paving issues on Palm Drive and the failure of the existing private roadway. Engineering Manager Brent Anton provided an overview of the roadway enhancements associated with the District's recycled water pipeline installation.
  - Director Tom Shalhoub discussed an opportunity to host the Associated San Bernardino County Special Districts meeting in December 2016. The Board of Directors provided a consensus for the District staff to support the evening meeting in December.
- IX. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Joseph B. Zoba, Secretary