

MINUTES OF A REGULAR BOARD MEETING

February 4, 2020 at 6:00 P.M.

Directors Present:

Chris Mann, President
Bruce Granlund, Vice President
Jay Bogh, Director
Lonni Granlund, Director
Joyce McIntire, Director

Staff Present:

Jennifer Ares, Water Resource Manager
Allison Edmisten, Chief Financial Officer
Joseph Zoba, General Manager

Directors Absent:

None

Consulting Staff Present:

David Wysocki, Legal Counsel

Registered Guests and Others Present:

John Miller
Sharon Miller
Linda Shelton
Leonard Stephenson, San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Yucaipa Valley Water District was called to order by Chris Mann at 6:00 p.m. at the Administrative Office Building, 12770 Second Street, Yucaipa, California.

FLAG SALUTE

Director Chris Mann led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with Director Jay Bogh, Director Bruce Granlund, Director Lonni Granlund, Director Chris Mann, and Director Joyce McIntire present.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

John Miller provided comments about the District's monthly billing statement and the need to acknowledge when a customer is enrolled in the automatic payment program so a payment is not provided to the District twice.

Chief Financial Officer Allison Edmisten responded to this public comment during the staff report.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Director Bruce Granlund moved to approve the consent calendar and Director Lonni Granlund seconded the motion.

A. Minutes of Meetings

1. Regular Board Meeting - January 21, 2020
2. Board Workshop - January 28, 2020

The motion was approved by the following vote:

Director Jay Bogh - Yes
Director Bruce Granlund - Yes
Director Lonni Granlund - Yes
Director Chris Mann - Yes
Director Joyce McIntire - Yes

STAFF REPORT

General Manager Joseph Zoba provided information on the following item(s):

- The next meeting of the Beaumont Basin Watermaster is scheduled for February 5, 2020. At this meeting the Watermaster Committee will be discussing the 2018 Annual Report which does not reflect the transfer of overlying water rights from Oak Valley Partners to Yucaipa Valley Water District.

Chief Financial Officer Allison Edmisten provided information on the following item(s):

- In response to the public comment by John Miller, Chief Financial Officer Allison Edmisten responded that the District staff is working on adding the "AutoPay" statement back to the bills for those customers on auto pay. The District staff understands this has created confusion with the customers and that is not the intent. This issue should be fixed within the next few months.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

DM 20-013

CONSIDERATION OF CHANGING THE COMPENSATION PAID TO MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND A POSSIBLE ADJUSTMENT TO THE COMPENSATION PAID PER MEETING DAY

General Manager Joseph Zoba presented information about the compensation paid to members of the Board of Directors and a possible adjustment to the current compensation amount of \$154.94 paid per meeting day. The District staff shared survey information of other local elected officials that compared the amount of per diem compensation paid and maximum number of meetings allowed for water and sewer agencies in the area.

Following a brief discussion, Director Lonni Granlund moved that the Board adopt Resolution No. 2020-06 A Resolution of the Yucaipa Valley Water District Electing Not to Increase the Compensation for the Board of Directors in Calendar Year 2020.

The motion failed for a lack of a second by the Board of Directors.

As a result of no subsequent action by the Board of Directors, the per meeting rate for meetings of the Board of Directors will increase from \$154.94 to \$162.69 per day for each day's attendance at meetings as defined in Section 1(d) of Ordinance No. 53-2007.

DM 20-014

OVERVIEW OF A REVISED POLICY FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGARDING EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT, MEETING ATTENDANCE, COMPENSATION, AND BENEFITS

Chief Financial Officer Allison Edmisten provided an overview of the updated policy for the Board of Directors.

Director Bruce Granlund moved that the Board adopt Resolution No. 2020-07.

Director Lonni Granlund seconded the motion.

The motion was approved by the following vote:

- Director Jay Bogh - Yes
- Director Bruce Granlund - Yes
- Director Lonni Granlund - Yes
- Director Chris Mann - Yes
- Director Joyce McIntire - Yes

DM 20-015

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CALIFORNIA SPECIAL DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION

General Manager Joseph Zoba provided information about the nomination process for the board of the California Special Districts Association.

There was no action taken on this agenda item.

BOARD REPORTS AND
DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Director Lonni Granlund and Director Joyce McIntire reported on the board meeting of the San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency held on February 3, 2020.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Director Chris Mann called attention to the announcements listed on the agenda.

CLOSED SESSION

Director Jay Bogh, Director Bruce Granlund, Director Lonni Granlund, Director Chris Mann, and Director Joyce McIntire were present in closed session with Legal Counsel David Wysocki, Chief Financial Officer Allison Edmisten, Water Resource Manager Jennifer Ares, and General Manager Joseph Zoba to discuss the following items.

C. Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation
(Government Code 54956.9) - Three Cases

After reconvening out of closed session, Legal Counsel David Wysocki reported that direction was provided to the General Manager and that there were no other reportable actions taken.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph B. Zoba, Secretary

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