

MINUTES OF A BOARD MEETING - TELECONFERENCE

May 11, 2021, at 4:00 pm

Directors Present:

Chris Mann, President
Jay Bogh, Director
Joyce McIntire, Director
Dennis Miller, Director

Staff Present:

Wade Allsup, Information Systems Specialist
Madeline Blua, Water Resource Specialist
Jennifer Ares, Water Resource Manager
Allison Edmisten, Chief Financial Officer
Chelsie Fogus, Administrative Assistant I
Ashley Gibson, Regulatory Compliance Manager
Mike Kostelecky, Operations Manager
Dustin Hochreiter, Senior Engineering Technician
Tim Mackamul, Operations Manager
Steven Molina, Public Works Supervisor
Matt Porras, Implementation Manager
Mike Rivera, Public Works Supervisor
Charles Thomas, Operations Manager
John Wrobel, Public Works Manager
Joseph Zoba, General Manager

Directors Absent:

Lonni Granlund, Vice President

Consulting Staff Present:

David Wysocki, Legal Counsel
Greg Newmark, Meyers Nave

Registered Guests and Others Present:

Logan Largent, Ortega Strategies Group

Due to the spread of COVID-19 and in accordance with the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 (a copy of which was attached to the meeting agenda), the Yucaipa Valley Water District conducted this meeting by teleconference.

The meeting was available to the public by calling (888) 475-4499 using meeting identification number 676-950-731 and live presentation material was available at <https://zoom.us/j/676950731> using passcode 765589.

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Yucaipa Valley Water District was called to order by President Chris Mann at 4:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with Director Jay Bogh, Director Chris Mann, Director Joyce McIntire, and Director Dennis Miller present.

Director Lonni Granlund was absent.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

CONSENT CALENDAR

Director Dennis Miller moved to approve the consent calendar and Director Jay Bogh seconded the motion.

A. Minutes of Meetings

1. Board Meeting - April 27, 2021

The motion was approved by the following vote:

Director Jay Bogh - Yes
Director Lonni Granlund - Absent
Director Chris Mann - Yes
Director Joyce McIntire - Yes
Director Dennis Miller - Yes

STAFF REPORT

General Manager Jospheh Zoba provided information about the following items:

- The District staff is currently conducting interviews with financial advisors to provide assistance with the refinancing of existing debt in the sewer enterprise and to evaluate financing new capital improvement projects.
- The District staff is working with developers in the Oak Valley Project area and the California Statewide Communities Development Authority to form a financing district for the construction of the R-11.4 Reservoir, lift stations, and force mainlines. The District staff anticipates the financing district will be completed by the end of the calendar year.
- The District will be participating in the 2021 Southern California Water Conference as a gold sponsor. The event will be held on August 13, 2021.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

DM 21-082

AWARD OF A
CONTRACT FOR THE
DEMOLITION OF
STRUCTURES
LOCATED AT 12086 2ND
STREET, 12816 2ND
STREET, 12834 2ND
STREET, AND A
STORAGE STRUCTURE
ON 2ND STREET,
YUCAIPA

Implementation Manager Matthew Porras provided an overview of the ten proposals received for the demolition of structures owned by the District.

Director Dennis Miller moved that the Board award a construction contract to Interior Demolition for a sum not to exceed \$106,168 and adopt Resolution No. 2021-23 transferring \$13,793.00 from Water Infrastructure Reserves to fund the contract.

Director Jay Bogh seconded the motion.

The motion was approved by the following vote:

Director Jay Bogh - Yes
Director Lonni Granlund - Absent
Director Chris Mann - Yes
Director Joyce McIntire - Yes
Director Dennis Miller - Yes

DM 21-083

PRESENTATION OF
THE UNAUDITED
FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE PERIOD
ENDING ON APRIL 30,
2021

Chief Financial Officer Allison Edmisten provided an overview of the Unaudited Financial Report for the period ending on April 30, 2021.

Director Jay Bogh moved that the Board receive and file the unaudited financial report.

Director Joyce McIntire seconded the motion.

The motion was approved by the following vote:

Director Jay Bogh - Yes
Director Lonni Granlund - Absent
Director Chris Mann - Yes
Director Joyce McIntire - Yes
Director Dennis Miller - Yes

DM 21-084

STATUS REPORT ON
THE ADVANCED
METERING
INFRASTRUCTURE
PROJECT

Chief Financial Officer Allison Edmisten provided an overview of the installation of Advanced Metering Infrastructure used to remotely read drinking water meters and recycled water meters throughout the District. The District staff has been actively installing the new meter system and currently there are fewer than 1,000 water meters remaining to be installed.

DM 21-085

CONSIDERATION TO
INITIATE THE
SECONDARY
TREATMENT
IMPROVEMENTS
PROJECT (STIP) AT
THE WOCHHOLZ
REGIONAL WATER
RECYCLING FACILITY

Operations Manager Charles Thomas discussed the proposed Secondary Treatment Improvement Project (STIP) at the Wochholz Regional Water Recycling Facility. This project will involve the purchase of new aeration blowers and fine bubble diffusers to improve the overall aeration system at the treatment plant.

Director Dennis Miller moved that the Board authorize the General Manager to (1) purchase APG-Neurot turbo blowers for a sum not to exceed \$700,745; (2) purchase OTT fine bubble diffusers for a sum not to exceed \$67,775; (3) to authorize the District staff to solicit proposals for the removal of existing equipment and installation of the new equipment; and (4) adopt Resolution No. 2021-24 transferring funds within the Sewer Division as Transfer No. 21.

Director Jay Bogh seconded the motion.

The motion was approved by the following vote:

Director Jay Bogh - Yes
Director Lonni Granlund - Absent
Director Chris Mann - Yes
Director Joyce McIntire - Yes
Director Dennis Miller - Yes

DM 21-086

RENEWAL FOR THE
ENVIRONMENTAL
LIABILITY INSURANCE
POLICY

Chief Financial Officer Allison Edmisten provided a summary of the environmental liability insurance policy scheduled for renewal.

Director Joyce McIntire moved that the Board authorize the General Manager to execute the necessary documents for the renewal for environmental liability insurance policy coverage from Alliant for a sum not to exceed \$44,945.65.

Director Jay Bogh seconded the motion.

The motion was approved by the following vote:

Director Jay Bogh - Yes
Director Lonni Granlund - Absent
Director Chris Mann - Yes
Director Joyce McIntire - Yes
Director Dennis Miller - Yes

DM 21-087

AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE QUITCLAIM DEEDS FOR ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NUMBERS 0318-213-03 AND 0318-213-08

General Manager Joseph Zoba provided an overview of expired easements used by the District for the construction of the wastewater treatment plant.

Director Dennis Miller moved that the Board authorize the General Manager to execute the attached quitclaim deed for expired construction easements.

Director Jay Bogh seconded the motion.

The motion was approved by the following vote:

Director Jay Bogh - Yes
Director Lonni Granlund - Absent
Director Chris Mann - Yes
Director Joyce McIntire - Yes
Director Dennis Miller - Yes

BOARD REPORTS AND DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Director Joyce McIntire reported on the San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District board meeting held on May 4, 2021.

Director Joyce McIntire reported on the San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency engineering workshop held on May 10, 2021.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

CLOSED SESSION

Director Jay Bogh, Director Chris Mann, Director Joyce McIntire, and Director Dennis Miller were present in closed session with Legal Counsel David Wysocki, Legal Counsel Greg Newmark, Chief Financial Officer Allison Edmisten, and General Manager Joseph Zoba to discuss the following item.

- A. Existing Litigation - San Timoteo Water Management Authority vs City of Banning, et al.; Riverside County Superior Case No. RIC389197 (Government Code, Section 54956.9(d)(1))

After reconvening out of closed session, General Manager Joseph Zoba reported that there was no reportable action taken in closed session.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph B. Zoba, Secretary

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