MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

LAS VIRGENES MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

March 13, 2014

The Board of Directors of Las Virgenes Municipal Water District met for a Special Meeting at 4232 Las Virgenes Road, in Calabasas, California, on Thursday, March 13, 2014.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

President Caspary called the meeting to order at 8:02 a.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by President Caspary.

President Caspary called the roll. Those answering present were Directors Caspary, Peterson and Renger. The Chair declared a quorum present.

Directors Polan and Steinhardt were absent.

2. <u>Budget-Based Water Rates Workshop</u>

President Caspary gave a brief overview of the reason for the meeting and turned the meeting over to General Manager Pedersen who explained the proposed plan for the meeting. General Manager Pedersen reviewed the District's three-pronged approach for water conservation and compliance with 20x2020 requirements: (1) enhancement of incentive programs for conservation; (2) conversion of additional potable water demands to the recycled water system; and (3) implementation of a budget-based water rate system. General Manager Pedersen explained that the Board would not be asked to make any decisions at the meeting.

Director Steinhardt arrived at 8:06 a.m., and Director Polan arrived at 8:10 a.m.

General Manager Pedersen stated that Tom Ash would explain why it is beneficial for the District to change its rate structure, what is expected in terms of results, experiences by other agencies, followed by a break after which there would be discussion about how to accomplish the goal. General Manager Pedersen explained that the Board will be asked for feedback, and a summary will be given on the proposed next steps. Tom Ash, a consultant for the District on the effort and an expert in budget-based water rates was introduced.

Tom Ash provided information on his background and addressed the Board and attendees, referring to a PowerPoint presentation entitled "Why Water Budget Rates: The Why & How = Results".

Discussion took place and questions were answered.

The meeting convened to recess at 9:29 a.m.

The meeting reconvened from recess at 9:43 a.m.

Tom Ash completed his presentation. Additional discussion took place and questions were answered.

3. Public Comments

No comment was made by the public.

4. **Adjournment**

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 11:59 a.m.

Charles Caspary, President Board of Directors

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Barry Steinhardt, Secretary Board of Directors Las Virgenes Municipal Water District

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