



LAS VIRGENES MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
4232 Las Virgenes Road, Calabasas CA 91302

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING

5:00 PM

September 8, 2015

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Harold Matthews, Information Systems Manager.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at **5:00 p.m.** by Board President Peterson in the Board Room at Las Virgenes Municipal Water District headquarters at 4232 Las Virgenes Road, Calabasas CA 91302. Josie Guzman, Clerk of the Board, conducted the roll call.

Present: Directors Caspary, Peterson, Polan, and Renger
Absent: Director Lewitt
Staff Present: David Pedersen, General Manager
Josie Guzman, Clerk of the Board
David Lippman, Director of Facilities and Operations
Jeffrey Reinhardt, Public Affairs and Communications Manager
Harold Matthews, Information Systems Manager
Wayne Lemieux, District Counsel

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

General Manager David Pedersen stated that the Closed Session Item was not needed, and he asked that it be removed from the agenda.

Director Polan moved to approve the Agenda as amended. Motion seconded by Director Caspary. Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Caspary, Peterson, Polan, Renger
ABSENT: Lewitt

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

A Minutes: Regular Meetings of May 12, 2015 and August 25, 2015 Approve

B Directors' Per Diem: August 2015 Ratify

C List of Demands: September 8, 2015 Approve

Director Caspary moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. Motion seconded by Director Polan. Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Caspary, Peterson, Polan, Renger
ABSENT: Lewitt

5. ILLUSTRATIVE AND/OR VERBAL PRESENTATION AGENDA ITEMS

A Legislative and Regulatory Updates

General Manager David Pedersen stated that the State Assembly and Senate would have until September 11th to pass bills, and the Governor would have until October 11th to sign or veto those bills. He noted that the Governor signed AB 349 on September 4th, which specifies that effective immediately homeowners' associations cannot prohibit the installation of artificial turf. He also noted that AB 888 regarding the removal of microbeads from personal care products was amended and approved by the Senate; the Assembly will confirm the amendments and the bill will then be forwarded to the Governor. Mr. Pedersen spoke regarding SB 163, which would require wastewater treatment facilities discharging through an ocean outfall to achieve 50 percent reuse by 2026 for beneficial purposes and 100 percent reuse by 2036. He also provided an update regarding SB 20 related to a public goods charge proposed by Senator Pavley to create the California Water Resiliency Investment Fund, which would create various accounts within the fund for prescribed purposes. He stated that District staff would schedule a meeting with Senator Pavley prior to sending a letter in opposition to this bill. Mr. Pedersen noted there has been much discussion regarding Proposition 218 and the San Juan Capistrano case, and the League of California Cities is leading an effort to amend the California Constitution to accomplish three objectives: 1) allow for establishment of tiered rates to encourage water conservation; 2) establish Lifeline rates to promote affordable water to low-income communities; and 3) finance stormwater

management infrastructure. He stated that any amendment would require approval from the Legislature and then the proposed amendment would be placed on the November 2016 ballot. Mr. Pedersen reported that the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) hosted a conference call regarding the State Water Board's proposed permanent regulations to support water conservation. He noted that ACWA would take a more active role in the future in considering policy principles for the State Water Board in handling water conservation and regulations.

Director Caspary inquired whether SB 163 included an exemption for brine discharges from advanced purification plants. Mr. Pedersen responded the bill would provide some exemptions from reuse requirements for certain purposes and valid for a period of no more than five years.

Director Caspary commented that SB 20 would include a tax on water. He stated that residents needed to be aware they would be paying a tax on water.

B Water Supply Conditions and Drought Responses

General Manager David Pedersen reported that the District's water conservation efforts in August showed a 30 percent reduction, which did not meet the 36 percent target. He noted that water consumption in June was reduced by 33 percent and 37 percent in July, for a three-month cumulative total reduction of 33 percent.

Board President Peterson noted that one \$500 fine was issued, and he expressed his hope that customers will take these fines seriously.

6. TREASURER

None.

7. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

A Rescheduling of Second Board Meeting in September

Consider alternate dates for the second Board meeting in September.

It was the consensus of the Board members present to reschedule the second Board meeting in September to September 29, 2015.

8. FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

A Annual Supply and Delivery of Polymer: Award

Accept the bid from Polydyne, Inc., for the annual supply and delivery of polymer and authorize the General Manager to approve an annual purchase order, in the amount of \$121,398.75, with four one-year renewal options.

General Manager David Pedersen presented the report.

Director Renger moved to approve Item 8A. Motion seconded by Director Caspary. Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Caspary, Peterson, Polan, Renger
ABSENT: Lewitt

B GIS Software: Renewal of Small Utility Enterprise License Agreement

Authorize the General Manager to execute a three-year Small Utility Enterprise License Agreement with ESRI, Inc., at an annual cost of \$25,000.00 plus applicable taxes, for the District's Geographical Information System software.

General Manager David Pedersen presented the report.

Director Caspary moved to approve Item 9B as presented. Motion seconded by Director Polan. Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Caspary, Peterson, Polan, Renger
ABSENT: Lewitt

9. INFORMATION ITEMS

A Fiscal Year 2014-15 Capacity Fee Report

10. NON-ACTION ITEMS

A Organization Reports

(1) MWD Representative Report

Board President Peterson reported the MWD Board did not meet.

(2) Other

B Director's Reports on Outside Meetings

None.

C General Manager Reports

(1) General Business

General Manager David Pedersen reviewed the items listed on the Community Calendar.

(2) Follow-Up Items

General Manager David Pedersen stated that an item regarding the condition and health of the Russell Valley Basin would likely be placed on the next Board meeting agenda.

D Director's Comments

Director Polan noted that an article was published in the Los Angeles Times regarding water reuse and storage, and concerns with the cost for conserving water. He also spoke regarding the ban of microbeads in European countries and the removal of contaminants of emerging concern.

11. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

12. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

13. CLOSED SESSION (This item was removed from the agenda.)

A Conference with District Counsel – Existing Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9(a)):

Las Virgenes - Triunfo Joint Powers Authority v. United States Environmental Protection Agency and Heal the Bay, Inc. v. Lisa P. Jackson

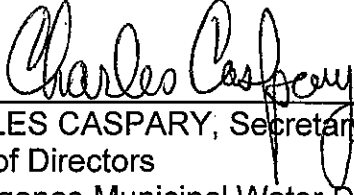
14. OPEN SESSION AND ADJOURNMENT

Seeing no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was duly adjourned at **5:27 p.m.**



GLEN PETERSON, President
Board of Directors
Las Virgenes Municipal Water District

ATTEST:



CHARLES CASPARY, Secretary
Board of Directors
Las Virgenes Municipal Water District

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