

**LAS VIRGENES – TRIUNFO
JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY
MINUTES**

5:00 PM

September 1, 2015

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Chair James Wall.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

A Call to order and roll call

The meeting was called to order at **5:00 p.m.** by Chair James Wall in the Conference Room at the Oak Park Library at 899 N. Kanan Road, in Oak Park, California. Josie Guzman, Clerk of the Board, conducted the roll call.

Present: Director(s): Caspary, Lewitt, McReynolds, Orkney, Paule, Peterson, Polan, Renger and Wall

Absent: Director(s): Iceland (arrived at **5:28 p.m.**)

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

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

AYES: Director(s): Caspary, Lewitt, McReynolds, Orkney, Paule, Peterson, Polan, Renger, Wall

NOES: Director(s): None

ABSENT: Director(s): Iceland

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

A Minutes: Regular JPA Meeting of August 3, 2015 Approve

Director Lewitt moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular JPA Meeting of August 3, 2015 as presented. Motion seconded by Director Polan. Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Director(s): Caspary, Lewitt, McReynolds, Paule, Peterson, Polan, Renger, Wall
NOES: Director(s): None
ABSTAIN: Director(s): Orkney
ABSENT: Director(s): Iceland

5. ILLUSTRATIVE AND/OR VERBAL PRESENTATION AGENDA ITEMS

None.

6. ACTION ITEMS

A Recycled Water Seasonal Storage: Basis of Design Report

Accept the proposal from MWH Global to prepare a Recycled Water Seasonal Storage Basis of Design Report and authorize the Administering Agent/General Manager to execute a professional services agreement with MWH Global, in the amount of \$462,825, for the work; authorize the Administering Agenda/General Manager to execute Amendment No. 1 with RMC Water and Environment for the Woodland Hills Country Club Preliminary Design Report, in the amount of \$52,820, to add a conceptual evaluation of seasonal storage at Encino Reservoir; and approve an additional budget and appropriation of \$406,480 for CIP No. 10587 to fund the proposed studies.

Administering Agent/General Manager David Pedersen presented the report.

A discussion ensued regarding the NPDES permitting process and compliance with the Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for Malibu Creek; exploring the possibility of obtaining Proposition 1 grant funds; receiving a presentation on the option for the Tillman Water Reclamation Plant; the goal to eliminate discharging to Malibu Creek; the possibility of bifurcating the planning studies; and whether the process would move more quickly if the planning studies were separated.

James Borchardt, representing MWH Global, stated that the two planning studies could proceed in parallel and his staff would move them along as quickly as possible. He also stated there would be no advantage in terms of the schedule by bifurcating the work. He noted that his staff would identify any fatal flaws with either of the alternatives, and they would not proceed with the full scope of work should a fatal flaw be identified.

The Board discussed concerns with indirect potable reuse without storage, and with building a large treatment facility that would be potentially idle for the majority of the year.

Director Iceland arrived at 5:28 p.m.

A discussion ensued regarding the possibility of repurposing the Encino Reservoir for seasonal storage; proceeding initially with Scenario 5 to determine whether it contains any fatal flaws; and the possibility of moving forward with Scenarios 4 and 5 simultaneously to facilitate the NPDES permitting.

Director McReynolds moved to approve Item 6A. Motion seconded by Director Iceland.

Director Peterson suggested exploring the Tillman Water Reclamation Plant option and speaking with the City of Los Angeles regarding indirect potable reuse and storage opportunities.

Director McReynolds amended the motion to approve Item 6A, with the addition of having staff bring back a presentation for the Board to consider the Tillman Water Reclamation Plant as an option. Motion seconded by Director Renger. Motion carried unanimously.

B Purchase Dewatering Container and Ramp for Disposal of Grit and Rags

Approve the purchase of a dewatering container and ramp from Wastequip, LLC in the amount of \$27,956.26.

Administering Agent/General Manager David Pedersen presented the report.

A discussion ensued regarding concerns with grit and rags becoming trapped in the mesh inside the dewatering container; exploring whether other agencies have used this type of dewatering container; considering alternatives such as a hydraulic lift; and the current process for the disposal of these materials.

It was the consensus of the Board to table this item to a future meeting to allow staff to explore whether other agencies use similar dewatering containers and ramps.

C Financial Review: Fourth Quarter of Fiscal year 2014-15

Receive and file the financial review for the fourth quarter of Fiscal Year 2014-15.

Director of Finance and Administration Don Patterson presented the report and responded to questions posed by the Board.

Director Peterson moved to receive and file Item 6C. Motion seconded by Director McReynolds. Motion carried unanimously.

7. BOARD COMMENTS

Director Orkney reported she attended the Recycled Water Fill Station training. She expressed concern with the training presentation because it could discourage customers' use, specifically the State's requirement for safe handling and permitted uses of recycled water. She inquired regarding the number of customers who have used the Recycled Water Fill Station. Administering Agent/General Manager David Pedersen responded that the Recycled Water Fill Station had been open for two weekends and approximately 10 customers picked up 280 gallons of recycled water. He noted that customers' enthusiasm is very high and staff would increase publicity. He also noted that the training presentation was reviewed and approved by several State agencies.

Director Paule reported he attended the California Association of Sanitation Agencies (CASA) Conference in San Diego. He noted that he serves on the CASA Program Committee and he asked the Board members to provide input for future conferences. Directors Peterson and Polan reported they also attended the CASA Conference.

8. ADMINISTERING AGENT/GENERAL MANAGER REPORT

Administering Agenda/General Manager David Pedersen reported he attended the CASA Conference. He commented that the session by The Freshwater Trust regarding water quality trading was a very interesting idea for regulatory compliance.

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Director Peterson requested a future agenda item for consideration of adopting a Board of Directors' Code of Conduct.

10. INFORMATION ITEMS

A Tapia Channel Mixing Improvements Project: Change Order Nos. 1 and 2

B Flow Augmentation to Malibu Creek: Cost and Economic Impact

Director Polan acknowledged staff for providing the cost and economic impact for flow augmentation.

11. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

12. **CLOSED SESSION** (Item 12A was removed from 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

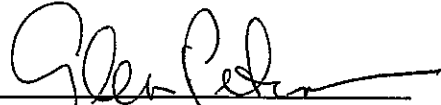
13. **ADJOURNMENT**

Seeing no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was duly adjourned at **6:22 p.m.**



James Wall, Chair

ATTEST:



Glen Peterson, Vice Chair