LAS VIRGENES – TRIUNFO JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY MINUTES REGULAR MEETING

5:00 PM June 6, 2016

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Jacqy Gamble.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at <u>5:00 p.m.</u> by Chair Glen Peterson in the Board Room at Las Virgenes Municipal Water District headquarters at 4232 Las Virgenes Road in Calabasas, California. Josie Guzman, Clerk of the Board, conducted the roll call.

Present:

Directors: Caspary, Iceland, Lewitt, McReynolds, Orkney, Paule,

Peterson, Renger, and Wall.

Absent:

Director: Polan.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

<u>Director Iceland</u> moved to approve the agenda as presented. Motion seconded by <u>Director Caspary</u>. Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Caspary, Iceland, Lewitt, McReynolds, Orkney, Paule, Peterson, Renger,

Wall

NOES: None ABSENT: Polan

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

4. <u>CONSENT CALENDAR</u>

A Minutes: Special Meeting of May 11, 2016 - Approve

<u>Director Paule</u> moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. Motion seconded by <u>Director Orkney</u>. Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Caspary, Iceland, Lewitt, McReynolds, Orkney, Paule, Peterson, Renger,

Wall

NOES: None ABSENT: Polan

5. ILLUSTRATIVE AND/OR VERBAL PRESENTATION AGENDA ITEMS

A Recognition of Westlake High School Mentorship Program Participants

Chair Peterson welcomed the Westlake High School students who participated in the mentorship program. He noted that students were paired with District staff to learn about careers in the water industry, tour facilities, and learn about the JPA's water and wastewater operations.

Vice Chair Paule presented certificates of recognition to students Grant Barclay, Daniel Carlu, Steven Huang, Lauren Ruffing, and Sydney Schalk. A certificate will also be given to Zoe Yoo, who was unable to attend the meeting. Vice Chair Paule also presented certificates of appreciation to mentors Doug Barrow, Jacqy Gamble, Eric Maple, and Larry Miller. Certificates will also be given to Eric Schlageter and Mike McIntyre, who were unable to attend the meeting.

Grant Barclay, Steven Huang, and Larry Miller shared their experiences with the mentorship program.

B Recycled Water Seasonal Storage Project Basis of Design Report: Status Update

Director of Facilities and Operations David Lippman reported that an internal meeting was held at the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) to discuss concerns with the Encino Reservoir project. He noted that concerns included LADWP's ability to use the reservoir in case of an emergency because it would contain recycled water, and whether the State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water (DDW) would require a "do not drink" or "do not use" order if LADWP needed to put the water into the system. He stated that DDW indicated that a "do not drink" order could be issued. He noted that LADWP also discussed the seismic study of the reservoir. He also reported that staff met with DDW to discuss the framework of the proposed regulations for reservoir augmentation. He noted that the draft regulations could be published by this fall. He also reported that Katz and Associates was in the process of developing a list of community leaders to seek and interview would be conducted with them to solicit input on the two project alternatives.

Administering Agent/General Manager David Pedersen reported that LADWP expressed concerns with seismic stability and liquefaction at the Encino Dam. He noted that LADWP initiated a seismic stability study in 2004, and internally set a

self-imposed storage restriction on the dam even though there is no restriction by the Division of Safety of Dams. He stated that the JPA may need to take into consideration the completion of the seismic study. He also noted that the Encino Dam did not experience damage during the 1994 Northridge Earthquake. He spoke regarding the project timeframe and noted that a key driver would be project funding. He suggested it would be best to zero in on a preferred alternative at the August 1st meeting in order to take advantage of available funding. He noted that the next workshop with the stakeholders would be held on June 21st. He also noted that feedback from the community leaders and staff's recommendation would be presented in August. He reported that MWH was working on finalizing the Basis of Design Report, which would also be ready for the Board's review in August.

6. <u>ACTION ITEMS</u>

A Proposed Two-Year JPA Budget Plan for Fiscal Years 2016 – 18

Approve the proposed Two-Year Joint Powers Authority Budget Plan for Fiscal Years 2016-18 and adopt the Fiscal Year 2016-17 Joint Powers Authority Budget

Director of Finance and Administration Don Patterson gave a PowerPoint presentation.

Director Caspary moved to approve Item 6A. Motion seconded by Director Paule.

Discussion ensued regarding impacts on operations due to staff vacancies; the process for adopting a two-year budget; accounting process for tracking revenue and expenses for the Woodland Hills Golf Course Recycled Water Pipeline Extension Project; and costs for SCADA services, odor control, weed abatement, litigation services, allocated support services, allocated building maintenance, and programmable logic controller upgrades.

Director of Facilities and Operations David Lippman responded to a question regarding the priority status of the Process Air Improvements Project and noted that the priority status should be much higher than noted in the proposed budget. He stated that staff would adjust the priority status.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Caspary, Iceland, Lewitt, McReynolds, Orkney, Paule, Peterson, Renger,

Wall

NOES: None ABSENT: Polan

B Centrate Equalization Tank Project: Call for Bids

Find that the proposed tank be designated by specific trade name to match the two existing centrate tanks at the site and authorize a Call for Bids for the Centrate Equalization Tank Project.

Administering Agent/General Manager David Pedersen presented the report and responded to questions posed by the Board.

<u>Director Renger</u> moved to approve Item 6B as presented. Motion seconded by Director Lewitt. Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Caspary, Iceland, Lewitt, McReynolds, Orkney, Paule, Peterson, Renger,

Wall

NOES: None ABSENT: Polan

7. BOARD COMMENTS

Director Orkney thanked the Board for adjourning the May 11, 2016 JPA Special Meeting in memory of her brother. She inquired regarding the meeting date in July due to the Independence Day Holiday. Administering Agent/General Manager David Pedersen responded that the Board had set the regular meeting date for July 5th.

8. <u>ADMINISTERING AGENT/GENERAL MANAGER REPORT</u>

Administering Agent/General Manager David Pedersen reported that the gauging station for Malibu Creek was registering approximately 3.3 cubic feet per second, requiring no augmentation to the flows. He noted that the Heal the Bay Bring Back the Beach Gala would be held on June 9th, and he, Chair Peterson, Director Caspary, and Director Iceland would be attending the event. He reported that a settlement offer and notice of exceedances of NPDES permit limits for the Tapia Water Reclamation Facility was received on May 25th. He noted there were a total of six exceedances and staff believed one of the exceedances was in error. He stated that staff proposed to agree to the settlement offer for a \$15,000 fine, and an information item would be included on the next agenda.

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

10. <u>INFORMATION ITEMS</u>

A Annual Supply and Delivery of Ammonium Hydroxide: Award

11. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

12. CLOSED SESSION

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

- 1. Las Virgenes Triunfo Joint Powers Authority v. United States Environmental Protection Agency and Heal the Bay, Inc. v. Lisa P. Jackson (TMDL cases)
- 2. Las Virgenes Triunfo Joint Powers Authority v. United States Environmental protection Agency (FOIA case)

The Board recessed to Closed Session at <u>6:06 p.m.</u> and reconvened to Open Session at <u>6:44 p.m.</u>

District Counsel Wayne Lemieux announced there was no reportable action taken during the Closed Session.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Seeing no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was duly adjourned at <u>6:45 p.m</u>.

Gler Peterson, Chair

ATTEST:

Michael Paule, Vice Chair