

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

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5:00 PM

December 5, 2016

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Angela Saccereccia.

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order at **5:00 p.m.** 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: Director(s): Caspary, Iceland, Lewitt, McReynolds, Orkney, Paule, Peterson, Polan, Renger, and Wall.

Absent: Director(s): None.

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Chair Peterson noted that the agenda was previously amended to add item 5C.

Director Paule moved to approve the agenda as amended. Motion seconded by Director Caspary. Motion carried unanimously.

**3. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Administering Agent/General Manager David Pedersen introduced newly hired Finance Manager Angela Saccereccia.

**4. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**A Minutes: Regular Meeting of November 7, 2016 – Approve**

Director Caspary moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. Motion seconded by Director Iceland. Motion carried unanimously.

5. **ILLUSTRATIVE AND/OR VERBAL PRESENTATION AGENDA ITEMS**

**A Recognition of Director Michael McReynolds' Service to the JPA**

Chair Peterson presented a proclamation to Director Michael McReynolds.

Director Orkney acknowledged Director McReynolds for his contributions to Triunfo Sanitation District and to the JPA.

Director Paule expressed his appreciation with serving on the JPA, Triunfo Sanitation District, and the Oak Park Municipal Advisory Council with Director McReynolds.

Director McReynolds noted that the reason for his resignation was due to his moving to Virginia for his wife's new position.

Director Caspary stated that it was an honor to serve with Director McReynolds.

Chair Peterson wished Director McReynolds much luck on his new venture.

**B Annual Financial Statements and Independent Auditor's Report**

**Receive and file the Fiscal Year 2015-16 JPA Financial Statements and Independent Auditor's Report.**

Ken Pun, representing The Pun Group, presented a PowerPoint presentation of the Fiscal Year 2015-16 JPA Financial Statements and Independent Auditor's Report.

Director Lewitt moved to receive and file Item 5B. Motion seconded by Director Paule.

Mr. Pun responded to several questions posed by the Board regarding non-depreciable assets, statements of net positions, JPA cash and investments pooled with Las Virgenes Municipal Water District, and depreciation under operating expenses.

Motion carried unanimously.

**C Pure Water Project Las Virgenes-Triunfo: Financial Impacts and Funding Alternatives Update**

Brian Thomas, representing The PFM Group, provided a PowerPoint presentation of the Pure Water Project Las Virgenes-Triunfo Preliminary Financing and Revenue Impact Analysis. He responded to questions regarding Las Virgenes and Triunfo financing their share of the project separately, factors

that cause differences in per meter connection between the two agencies due to the split in costs, and leveraging State Revolving Fund (SRF) financing.

6. **ACTION ITEMS**

**A Tapia Water Reclamation Facility Secondary Influent Slide Gates Replacement: Final Acceptance**

**Approve the execution of a Notice of Completion and have the same recorded, and in the absence of claims from subcontractors and others, release the retention, in the amount of \$19,694.65, within 30 calendar days after filing the Notice of Completion for the Tapia Water Reclamation Facility Secondary Influent Slide Gates Replacement Project.**

Administering Agent/General Manager David Pedersen presented the report.

Director Polan moved to approve Item 6A. Motion seconded by Director Orkney. Motion carried unanimously.

**B Pure Water Project Las Virgenes-Triunfo – Reschedule Special Board Workshop**

**Reschedule the special JPA Board meeting for a workshop to discuss institutional issues related to the Pure Water Project Las Virgenes-Triunfo.**

Administering Agent/General Manager David Pedersen presented the report and proposed that the workshop be rescheduled to February 23, 2017.

Chair Peterson directed that the workshop be rescheduled to February 23, 2017, at 5:00 p.m., in the Board Room.

**C Pure Water Project Las Virgenes-Triunfo Project Preliminary Design: Proposal Award**

**Accept the proposal from CDM Smith, in the amount of \$142,487, and authorize the Administering Agent/General Manager to execute a professional services agreement for the preliminary design and environmental review of a demonstration project for the Pure Water Project Las Virgenes-Triunfo.**

Administering Agent/General Manager David Pedersen presented the report.

Director Orkney moved to approve Item 6C. Motion seconded by Director Iceland.

Administering Agent/General Manager David Pedersen responded to questions regarding the proposed location for the demonstration project at Building No. 1,

modeling the reservoir for the demonstration project, and seeking a real estate advisor to assist in locating a site for the advanced water treatment facility.

Director Caspary expressed concern with the proposal's project understanding indicating that the JPA had decided to proceed with an indirect potable reuse option. He noted that the JPA Board directed staff to investigate a preferred option and that a CEQA analysis had not yet been done. He also noted that CDM Smith had done work for Cambria to treat wastewater and brackish groundwater and he expressed support for a brackish groundwater component. Administering Agent/General Manager David Pedersen responded that staff would discuss the Cambria project with CDM Smith. He also noted that staff had held preliminary discussions with the City of Thousand Oaks regarding bringing groundwater to the plant. Director Caspary commented that the JPA has groundwater available in the existing wells that might have some potential value as a source.

Administering Agent/General Manager David Pedersen responded to a question regarding whether the reverse osmosis (RO) process would change should a different type of water such as groundwater be brought in by stating that the RO process would not change; however, the chemical makeup of the water would be important in operating a plant. He noted that microfiltration or ultrafiltration could be used for pretreatment of the RO process.

Director Polan spoke in support of beginning outreach efforts and developing informational materials as soon as possible to share with the public, cities, and various agencies.

Chair Peterson expressed support for the demonstration project; however, he expressed concern with the use of Building No. 1 due it possibly not being very inviting.

Motion carried unanimously.

## 7. **BOARD COMMENTS**

Director McReynolds expressed his appreciation to the public for allowing him the opportunity to serve on the JPA Board.

Director Paule noted that several Boardmembers toured the Orange County Water District's Groundwater Replenishment System. He expressed his appreciation for the opportunity to tour this facility. Director Orkney stated that the tour of the groundwater replenishment system was presented very well.

## 8. **ADMINISTERING AGENT/GENERAL MANAGER REPORT**

Administering Agent/General Manager David Pedersen reported that the sand

berm separating Malibu Lagoon from the ocean opened on November 29th, and discharge from Tapia to the creek was occurring, when needed. He noted that the Regional Water Quality Control Board would meet on December 8th at Simi Valley City Hall to consider several items on its agenda, including the Basin Plan Amendment that incorporates the Implementation Plan for the two TMDLs. He stated that the Basin Plan Amendment would establish the regulatory framework for the Pure Water Project Las Virgenes-Triunfo. He also stated that staff would attend the meeting and address the long-term plan for the project. Director Caspary inquired whether the consultant would attend and provide testimony. Administering Agent/General Manager David Pedersen responded that staff would contact Larry Walker and Associates to verify that they will attend.

**9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Director Polan requested a future agenda item to discuss the issue of how to achieve the five-year schedule for summer season compliance that is being proposed by the Regional Water Quality Control Board.

**10. INFORMATION ITEMS**

**A Supply and Delivery of Aluminum Sulfate: Award of Bid**

**B Reservoir No. 2 Improvements: Shade Ball Effectiveness**

**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 **6:15 p.m.** and reconvened to Open Session at **6:31 p.m.**

Authority 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 **6:31 p.m.**






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Glen Peterson, Chair

ATTEST:



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Michael Paule, Vice Chair