

**MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
1402 N. VOSBURG DR. AZUSA, CA 91702
MONDAY, JUNE 8, 2020
8:00 A.M.**

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At 8:04 a.m. on June 8, 2020 the Board of Directors held its Regular Meeting via "GoToMeeting"

CALL TO ORDER:

President Wong called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL:

Directors present at Roll Call: Knoles, Paulson, Placido, Prince, Wong

ALSO PRESENT:

Darin Kasamoto, General Manager; Ed Hills, Assistant General Manager; Linda Esquivel, Executive Assistant; Evelyn Reyes, External Affairs Manager; Jim Ciampa, Lagerlof LLP; Jose Reynoso City of Sierra Madre; Dave DePinto, DMCI; Albert Lu; Kelly Gardner, Main San Gabriel Basin Watermaster; Dennis Ahlen, City of Alhambra; Richard Gonzalez, City of Monterey Park; Thomas Love, Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District; Tony Zampielo, Main San Gabriel Basin Watermaster; John Robinson, John Robinson Consulting; Randy Schoellerman, Water Quality Authority

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None

UPDATES FROM CITY REPRESENTATIVES

None

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of May 11, 2020
Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of May 18, 2020
Minutes of the Administrative Finance Committee Meeting of May 5, 2020
Minutes of the External Affairs Committee Meeting of May 12, 2020
Minutes of the External Affairs Committee Meeting of June 2, 2020
Financial Statements for May 2020
Disbursements of the Revolving Fund Dated:
May 21, 2020, Check Nos. 11614 – 11621, EFT's and Wires in the amount of \$48,819.98
June 4, 2020, Check Nos. 11622 - 11629, EFT's and Wires, in the amount of \$48,149.44
June 8, 2020, Check Nos. 11630 – 11633, and Wires in the amount of \$3,280.50
Disbursements of the General Fund Dated:
May 26-27, 2020, Check Nos. 41566 – 41585, in the amount of \$467,853.41
June 8, 2020, Check Nos. 41586 – 41605, and EFT's, in the amount of \$64,087.28

June 8, 2020

SGVMWD

Future Meeting Attendance Approval: None

On motion of Director Paulson, seconded by Director Knoles and unanimously carried 5-0, the Consent Calendar was approved.

Approved by the Board of Directors of the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District at their regular meeting held on June 8, 2020 by the following roll call vote:

- Ayes: Knoles, Paulson, Placido, Prince, Wong
- Noes: None
- Absent: None
- Abstain: None

ACTION AGENDA ITEMS

RECYCLED WATER UPDATE

Mr. Robinson provided a status update regarding Recycled Water Availability as a follow-up from his December 2017 Recycled Water Feasibility Study to determine the availability of recycled water to support the recommended recycled water project for the Cities of Alhambra and Monterey Park. He provided a status of activities/meetings with Central Basin Municipal Water District and Los Angeles County Sanitation District to further develop recycled water for member cities Monterey Park and Alhambra. Mr. Robinson will bring a formal proposal concerning that project to the next Board Meeting.

CITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The General Manager reported at the last Board Meeting, discussion centered around possibly providing financial assistance to our member cities. Staff conducted a meeting with the four member cities to discuss possible assistance programs to provide financial assistance necessitated by the cities' revenue losses resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic. The External Affairs Committee met on June 2 and agreed that immediate assistance to each city in the amount of \$50,000 should be recommended at the next Board Meeting if the cities used the money for water related programs. The cities would identify specific projects/programs and submit their proposals to SGVMWD for review to assure the funds were expended for water related purposes.

On motion of Director Paulson, seconded by Director Placido, and unanimously carried 5-0, the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District Board approved grants of up to \$50,000 to each of our member cities for water related programs/projects.

Passed and Adopted by the Board of Directors of the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District at their regular meeting held on June 8, 2020 by the following roll call vote:

- Ayes: Knoles, Paulson, Placido, Prince, Wong
- Noes: None
- Absent: None
- Abstain: None

G M EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT

On motion of Director Paulson, seconded by Director Placido, and unanimously carried 5-0, the General Manager's Employment Contract, effective July 1, 2020, was approved.

Passed and Adopted by the Board of Directors of the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District at their regular meeting held on June 8, 2020 by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Knoles, Paulson, Placido, Prince, Wong
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

RESOLUTION NO. 6-2020-770 WATER SUPPLY

The General Manager reported a significant amount of time was spent discussing the District's long-term water supply issues at the Board's Strategic Planning Session. Three specific areas discussed were Watermaster RDA, Sierra Madre/MWD Connection, and Water Transfers/Leases, all of which increase the District's replacement water obligation. Because of the large difference in replacement water cost between the water the District provides, and water procured through MWD, there is a great financial incentive to use water transfers and leases for profit. Due to increased restrictions on State Water Project Supply, the District cannot physically meet the additional demand brought about by these transfer/leases of water rights. As a solution to this issue a water supply Resolution was drafted under which the District will refuse to supply replacement water for any obligation brought about by a lease or transfer of water rights to any entity outside of the District's service area.

The Resolution was presented to Main San Gabriel Basin Watermaster staff and MWD for review. Main San Gabriel Basin Watermaster has stated the Resolution can be enforced and MWD has provided a letter of support for the Resolution.

On motion of Director Knoles, seconded by Director Prince, and unanimously carried 5-0, the RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT ESTABLISHING WATER REPLENISHMENT POLICY PRINCIPLES, Resolution No. 06-2020-770, was approved.

Pass and Adopted by the Board of Directors of the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District at their regular meeting held on June 8, 2020 by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Knoles, Paulson, Placido, Prince, Wong
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

RESOLUTION NO. 6-2020-771 SALARY ADJUSTMENT

On motion of Director Placido, seconded by Director Prince, and unanimously carried 5-0, A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT REVISING SALARIES, Resolution No. 06-2020-771, was approved.

Pass and Adopted by the Board of Directors of the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District at their regular meeting held on June 8, 2020 by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Knoles, Paulson, Placido, Prince, Wong
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

RESOLUTION NO. 6-2020-772 BUDGET 2020-2021

On motion of Director Paulson, seconded by Director Knoles, and unanimously carried 5-0, A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT ADOPTING 2021 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET, Resolution No. 06-2020-772, was approved.

Passed and Adopted by the Board of Directors of the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District at their regular meeting held on June 8, 2020 by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Knoles, Paulson, Placido, Prince, Wong
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

AGREEMENT TO PREFUND OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS THROUGH CALPERS (CERBT)

On motion of Director Knoles, seconded by Director Placido, and unanimously carried 5-0, the California Employers’ Retiree Benefit Trust Program (“CERBT”) Agreement and Election of San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District to Prefund Other Post-Employment Benefits through CalPERS was approved.

Passed and Adopted by the Board of Directors of the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District at their regular meeting held on June 8, 2020 by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Knoles, Paulson, Placido, Prince, Wong
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

INFORMATION ITEMS

EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

Ms. Reyes reported the District joined the Incidental Take Permit (ITP) litigation and the press release regarding that participation is in the Agenda Packet. Ready ArtWork is finalizing the District’s basin educational video for children. The District’s current website is being reviewed for future enhancements.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORT ON BASIN MANAGEMENT

The Assistant General Manager provided a basin update.

REPORT OF WQA

Director Paulson introduced Randy Schoellerman, WQA's Executive Director effective July 1, 2020. He also reported the WQA Board approved WQA's 2020-21 Budget.

REPORT OF THE ATTORNEY

No report.

REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER/ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER

The General Manager's written report is in the Agenda Packet.

The Assistant General Manager's written report is in the Agenda Packet.

The Assistant General Manager reported the State Water Project allocation for calendar year 2020 has been increased and the District has 3,645 AF remaining to be delivered and should be completed within the next 45-50 days.

He also complimented the Board on their efforts and support to Agenda Item No. 4. (Resolution No. 6-2020-770 Water Supply)

REPORT OF THE STATE WATER CONTRACTORS

The General Manager reported on the following:
2020 allocation has been increased from 15% up to 20%.

Delta Conveyance Project (Cal Water Fix) – DWR amended the AIP and that document is close to being completed.

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS

Administrative/Finance Committee meeting minutes of May 5, 2020, External Affairs Committee meeting minutes of May 12, 2020 and June 2, 2020 are in the Agenda packet.

DIRECTOR REPORTS ON EVENTS ATTENDED

None.

DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Director Placido asked if there were any updates regarding the Carson Project on recycled water. The General Manager noted there are no updates at this time.

Director Prince thanked the General Manager, Staff, and fellow Board members for the support of Agenda Item No. 4. (Resolution No. 6-2020-770 Water Supply)

Director Wong also thanked Staff for getting solutions together and continuing the District Operations despite the restrictions due to the pandemic.


ADJOURNED at 9:52 a.m.

There being no further business, upon motion made, seconded, and carried unanimously, the meeting was duly adjourned at 9:52 a.m. The next Regular Board Meeting of the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District will be on July 13, 2020 at 8:00 a.m.



President

ATTEST:



Secretary (Deputy)