

**MINUTES  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
1402 N. VOSBURG DR. AZUSA, CA 91702  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2021  
8:00 A.M.**

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At 8:03 a.m. on November 8, 2021, 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; Steve Kiggins, Supervising System Operator/Inspector; Linda Esquivel, Executive Assistant; Evelyn Reyes, External Affairs Manager; Albert Lu External Affairs Assistant; Jim Ciampa, Lagerlof LLP (via phone); Dave DePinto, DMCI; Richard Gonzales, City of Monterey Park; Sophia Kownatzki, City of Sierra Madre; Dennis Ahlen, City of Alhambra

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

None

**UPDATES FROM CITY REPRESENTATIVES**

None

**CONSENT CALENDAR:**

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of October 11, 2021

Financial Statements for October 2021

Treasurer's Investment Report Dated September 30, 2021

Disbursements of the Revolving Fund Dated:

October 21, 2021, Check Nos. 11940 – 11946, EFT's and Wires in the amount of \$54,834.53

November 4, 2021, Check Nos. 11947 – 11955, EFT and Wires in the amount of \$55,550.86

November 8, 2021, Check Nos. 11956 – 11959, and Wires in the amount of \$3,032.20

Disbursements of the General Fund Dated:

October 31, 2021, Check Nos. 42492 – 42523 and EFT's, in the amount of \$600,484.15

November 8, 2021, Check Nos. 42524 – 42555 in the amount of \$189,657.65

Future Meeting Attendance Approval:  
Council For Watershed Health-Recycle the Runoff-Nov. 10, Virtual

On motion of Director Paulson, seconded by Director Placido, 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 November 8, 2021, by the following roll call vote:

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

### **ACTION AGENDA ITEM**

#### **POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENT**

On motion of Director Prince, seconded by Director Placido, and unanimously carried 5-0, A 10-year extension to the existing Long Term Power Purchase Agreement between the City of Azusa and the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District was approved.

Approved by the Board of Directors of the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District at their regular meeting held on November 8, 2021, by the following roll call vote:

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

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 11-2021-789 APPOINTING WATERMASTER REPRESENTATIVE**

The General Manager reported the Watermaster Representative must be appointed each year. Director Steven T. Placido, DDS is currently the District's representative on the Watermaster Board.

On motion of Director Wong, seconded by Director Knoles, and unanimously carried 5-0, A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT APPOINTING WATERMASTER REPRESENTATIVE Steven T. Placido, DDS, Resolution No. 11-2021-789 was approved.

Approved by the Board of Directors of the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District at their regular meeting held on November 8, 2021, by the following roll call vote:

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

## **RESOLUTION NO. 11-2021-790 CONTINUATION OF VIRTUAL BOARD MEETINGS**

On motion of Director Prince, seconded by Director Knoles, and unanimously carried 5-0, A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT PROCLAIMING A STATE OF EMERGENCY PERSISTS, RE-RATIFYING THE PROCLAMATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY BY GOVERNOR GAVIN NEWSOM, AND RE-AUTHORIZING REMOTE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT FOR THE PERIOD NOVEMBER 9, 2021, TO DECEMBER 8, 2021 PURSUANT TO BROWN ACT PROVISIONS was approved.

Approved by the Board of Directors of the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District at their regular meeting held on November 8, 2021, by the following roll call vote:

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

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

### **EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**

External Affairs Report in Agenda Packet.

Ms. Reyes reported rebate agreements with Ecotech, and Thinking Green Consultants are being finalized. Also, Ms. Reyes is collaborating with member cities in bringing back the water conservation table tents that will be distributed to restaurants.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **REPORT ON BASIN MANAGEMENT**

Director Placido reported Dr. Anthony R. Fellow and Charles M. Trevino of Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District were appointed for Watermaster, calendar year 2022. The Draft Annual 5-Year Water Quality and Supply Plan was discussed.

Ms. Reyes reported the fiscal year 2020-21 Annual Report is on Watermaster's website. Richard Gonzales from the City of Monterey Park reported that Anteneh Tesfaye from South Pasadena has replaced Ron Bow on the Main San Gabriel Basin Watermaster Board.

## **REPORT OF WQA**

Director Paulson reported the cities are in the middle of electing or re-electing for city representative on the Water Quality Authority Board and should know by the end of the month.

## **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 General Manager reported our 2020-2021 audit was finished; however, the auditor was unable to deliver the draft in time for this meeting but will be ready for December's Board Meeting.

The General Manager sent a non-binding letter of intent for the Regional Recycled Water Project (aka, the Carson Project) to the Metropolitan Water District and Main San Gabriel Basin Watermaster. After they have reviewed the letter of intent, it will be brought to the Board for approval.

The federal infrastructure bill passed and we are waiting for Steve Bucknam to review what programs are available for the District.

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

Steve Kiggins reported the District delivered 87 AF acquired from the SWC Dry Year Water Transfer Program. In addition, 1,061 AF were delivered on behalf of Three Valleys Municipal Water District to Covina Irrigating Company's surface water treatment facility, and 2,088 AF on behalf of Upper District to Azusa Light and Water's Canyon Filtration Plant and/or the Canyon spreading grounds.

The schedule for Phase 2 of the DCAP-Schedule 1 condition assessment has been modified as a result of drought conditions in the Main San Gabriel Basin. Staff continues to work closely with Civiltec to ensure the ultimate completion of this project in as timely a manner as possible.

## **REPORT OF THE STATE WATER CONTRACTORS**

The General Manager reported that unfortunately for the District the Dry Year Transfer Program yielded at about 87 acre-feet. The District is continuously searching for supplemental water.

The Delta Conveyance Project (Cal Water Fix) is on schedule and on track. The preferred alignment has been selected. EIR is scheduled to release March 2022.

## **COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS**

None.

**DIRECTOR REPORTS ON EVENTS ATTENDED**

None.

**DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

Director Knoles wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

**CLOSED SESSION at 8:44 A.M.**

A. Conference with legal counsel – Existing Litigation Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9

**Name of Case:** *Moore v. San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District, et al.*, San Bernardino County Superior Court Case No. CIV SB 2115350

**OPEN SESSION at 8:50 A.M.**

**CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

Legal counsel reported that conference with legal counsel occurred pursuant to subdivision (a) of Government Code section 54956.9, in the matter of *Moore v. San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District, et al.*, San Bernardino County Superior Court Case No. 2225350 and that the Board of Directors was informed of the current status of that case. No Reportable action was taken.

**ADJOURNED at 8:50 A.M.**

There being no further business, upon motion made, seconded, and carried unanimously, the meeting was duly adjourned at 8:50 a.m. The next Regular Board Meeting of the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District will be on December 13, 2021, at 8:00 a.m.

s/ Thomas Wong  
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President

ATTEST:

s/ Steven T. Placido, DDS  
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Secretary