

**MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MUNICIPAL
WATER DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
1402 N. VOSBURG DR. AZUSA, CA 91702
MONDAY, MAY 08, 2023
8:00 A.M.**

At 8:00 a.m. on May 8, 2023, the Board of Directors meeting was held in person at the District office, located at 1402 North Vosburg Drive, Azusa, California. While the Boardroom was open for public attendance, the District strongly encouraged attendees wanting to attend the meeting to participate in the meeting virtually through the remote Zoom link provided below. Attendees in person were asked to please maintain appropriate social distancing to the extent feasible (i.e., maintain a six-foot distance between yourself and other individuals). Face coverings were encouraged but not required for attendees.

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL TO ORDER:

President Paulson called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL:

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

ALSO PRESENT:

Darin Kasamoto, General Manager; Steve Kiggins, Assistant General Manager; Linda Esquivel, Executive Assistant; Evelyn Reyes, External Affairs Manager; Jim Ciampa Lagerlof LLP

Via telephone/Zoom: Dave DePinto, DMCI; Melissa Barbosa, City of Azusa; Dennis Ahlen, City of Alhambra; Suzie - Unidentified

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None

UPDATES FROM THE CITY REPRESENTATIVE

None

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of April 10, 2023
Financial Statements for April 2023
Treasurers Investment Report Dated March 31, 2023

Disbursements of the Revolving Fund Dated:

April 20, 2023, Check Nos. 12272 – 12278, EFTs, and Wires in the amount of \$57,380.38
May 4, 2023, Check No. 12279 - 12288, EFT, and Wires in the amount of \$56,524.32
May 8, 2023, Check Nos. 12289 – 12292, and Wires in the amount of \$6,336.50

Disbursements of the General Fund Dated:

April 12- 30, 2023, Check Nos. 43604 – 43630, and EFTs in the amount of \$668,851.36
May 8, 2023, Check Nos. 43631 – 43666, in the amount of \$141,719.87

Future Meeting Attendance Approval: None

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

ACTION AGENDA ITEM

2023-2024 DRAFT BUDGET

This was an information only agenda item.

San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District's draft 2023-2024 Budget is being presented to the full Board at this meeting for review prior to its formal adoption at the June Board Meeting.

COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENT

On motion of Director Prince, seconded by Director Knoles, and unanimously carried 5-0, The Cost-of-Living Adjustment for all employees at 3.7%, to take effect June 26, 2023, was approved.

CONSIDER SUPPORT FOR SB366

Ms. Reyes reported SB366 (Caballero) is a California Water Plan for long-term supply targets. The bill would require the California Water Plan, commencing with the 2028 update, to be a comprehensive plan for addressing the state's water needs and meeting water supply targets.

On motion of Director Prince, seconded by Director Placido, and carried 3-0, with two abstentions, the letter to Chairman Portantino in support of SB 366 was approved.

Approved by the Board of Directors of the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District at its regular meeting held on May 8, 2023, by the following roll call vote:

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

PROPOSALS FOR 3-YEAR AUDIT ENGAGEMENT

The General Manager reported the initial RFP was sent to five firms; none of which provided a proposal. The RFP was subsequently sent to two additional firms and C.J. Brown & Company was the only firm to provide a proposal.

On motion of Director Knoles, seconded by Director Placido, and unanimously carried 5 – 0, the proposal for Auditing Services from C.J. Brown & Company for the not to exceed the amount of \$53,895 (\$17,965 for each of fiscals year 2023, 2024, and 2025) was approved.

PROPOSAL FROM CIVILTEC FOR PIPELINE BONDING, ASSESSMENT, AND CATHODIC PROTECTION

The Assistant General Manager reported the Schedule 1 Condition Assessment Project post-inspection recommendations include validation of the risk analysis report through strategic secondary corrosion measurements, bonding of unwelded pipeline joints, and design of a cathodic protection system based on post-bonding continuity measurements.

On motion of Director Placido, seconded by Director Prince, and unanimously carried 5 – 0, the proposal for DCAP SCH 1 Pipeline Continuity Bonding, Corrosion Assessment Validation, and Cathodic System Design from Civiltec Engineering, Inc., Proposal No. PF23042, not to exceed the amount of \$155,190 was approved.

RECONSIDER JUNE BOARD MEETING DATE

On motion of Director Placido, seconded by Director Eng, and unanimously carried 5-0, the June Regular Board Meeting date was re-scheduled to Thursday, June 1, 2023 at 8:00 a.m.

DIRECTOR PRINCE LEFT THE MEETING AT 8:52 A.M.

INFORMATION ITEMS

EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

External Affairs Report in Agenda Packet.

Ms. Reyes reported the upcoming outreach events that will be taking place in May are as follows: City of Sierra Madre Public Works Day (May 20), City of Monterey Park Public Works Day (May 25), and the Mount Wilson Trail Race (May 27).

Home Water Survey Program materials are being disbursed throughout the member city school districts. All students will receive the Home Water Survey and a growth chart.

Ms. Reyes is going to ask Dennis Albani from California Advocates to attend an upcoming Board Meeting so he can provide the Board with a legislative update.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORT ON BASIN MANAGEMENT

Director Placido reported he toured the Pure Water Project in Carson. Watermaster adopted the Operating Safe Yield for Fiscal Years 2023-2024 through 2027-2028 at 150,000 acre-feet, although there may be an increase in the safe yield if hydrologic conditions are good next year.

REPORT OF WQA

Director Paulson reported Water Quality Authority's "Draft Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024" was reviewed and there were no increases to the WQA's assessments.

REPORT OF THE ATTORNEY

Legal Counsel Ciampa reported California Air Resources Board adopted the Advance Clean Fleet Regulation. The City of Sierra Madre's city attorney and city manager met with Legal Counsel Ciampa to discuss the letter that was sent regarding PFAS litigation issues.

REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER/ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER

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

The General Manager reported there is no update on the 3 outstanding grants that were submitted in February and March of 2023.

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

The Assistant General Manager reported the District started delivering water to the San Dimas and Big Dalton washes on April 26. However, due to the continuing rain, L. A. County Public Works ceased the water delivery. A total of 278 acre-feet of Article 21 water was delivered. May 2023 delivery forecast is as follows: SGVMWD Table A deliveries of 20 CFS at San

Dimas Turnout and 5 CFS at Big Dalton Turnout will resume May 9, 2023. A 10 CFS delivery to Covina Irrigating Company on behalf of Three Valleys Municipal Water District is expected to continue. SGVMWD is currently restricted by DWR to less than 30 CFS due to capacity constraints on the east branch of the State Water Project. SGVMWD deliveries will be maximized to the extent L. A. County/DWR capacities allow.

Project update: The Hydroelectric Facility 24” Butterfly Valve Replacement is estimated to be delivered in June 2023.

REPORT OF THE STATE WATER CONTRACTORS

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

The General Manager reported on April 20, 2023, the State Water Project allocation increased from 75% to 100%. This is the first 100% allocation since 2006. The allocation will provide 28,800 acre-feet of the water to the District.

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS

None.

DIRECTOR REPORTS ON EVENTS ATTENDED

Director Eng reported he attended the Alhambra, Monterey Park, and Sierra Madre Earth Day events. He also gave kudos to Ms. Reyes and her team for their work and efforts at these events.

DIRECTOR COMMENTS

None.

CLOSED SESSION at 9:14 a.m.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION [GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(D)(1)]

Roberts, et al. v. Coachella Valley Water District, et al. (including State Water Contractors)
Riverside County Superior Court Case No. RIC1825310 MF

BACK IN SESSION at 9:37 A.M.

Legal Counsel Ciampa reported the Board was briefed on the facts and circumstances of that case and there was no reportable action taken.

ADJOURNED at 9:37 A.M.

There being no further business, upon motion made, seconded, and carried unanimously, the meeting was duly adjourned at 9:37 a.m. The next Regular Board Meeting of the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District will be on June 1, 2023, at 8:00 a.m.

s/ Mark R. Paulson

President

ATTEST:

s/ Miles L. Prince

Secretary