

**MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MUNICIPAL
WATER DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
1402 N. VOSBURG DR. AZUSA, CA 91702
MONDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2023
8:00 A.M.**

At 8:00 a.m. on October 9, 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; Evelyn Reyes, External Affairs Manager; Albert Lu, External Affairs Specialist; Jim Ciampa, Lagerlof LLP.

Via telephone/Zoom: Dennis Ahlen, City of Alhambra

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None.

UPDATES FROM THE CITY REPRESENTATIVE

None.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of September 11, 2023

Financial Statements for September 2023

Disbursements of the Revolving Fund Dated:

September 21, 2023, Check Nos. 12368 – 12373, EFTs, and Wires in the amount of \$62,971.40

October 5, 2023, Check Nos. 12374 – 12380, EFT, and Wires in the amount of \$60,210.82

October 9, 2023, Check Nos. 12381 – 12383, and Wires in the amount of \$3,017.40

Disbursements of the General Fund Dated:

September 15 & 25, 2023, Check Nos. 43931 – 43964, and EFTs in the amount of \$684,543.10

October 9, 2023, Check Nos. 43965 – 43994, and EFTs in the amount of \$792,980.19

Future Meeting Attendance Approval: San Gabriel Valley Public Affairs Network Annual Mayors Reception 2023 – Oct. 25, Monterey Park

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

ACTION AGENDA ITEM

APPOINT WATERMASTER BOARD MEMBER FOR 2024 – RESOLUTION NO. 10-2023-828

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 Knoles, seconded by Director Eng, 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. 10-2023-828 was approved.

Approved by the Board of Directors of the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District at its regular meeting held on October 9, 2023, by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Eng, Knoles, Paulson, Placido, Prince

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

CONSIDER CANDIDATES FOR LAFCO SPECIAL DISTRICT ALTERNATE MEMBER

On motion of Director Eng, and seconded by Director Placido and unanimously carried 5-0, Stephen H. Brown was selected to receive the District's vote for Special District LAFCO Alternate Member for the term expiring in May 2026.

INFORMATION ITEMS

EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

External Affairs Report in Agenda Packet.

Ms. Reyes briefly reported on the approved OWL Grants for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 and on the State Water Resources Control Board: Making Conservation a Way of Life Regulation.

General Counsel Ciampa provided additional information on the proposed regulations, which are intended to implement the provisions enacted several years ago through AB1668 and SB 606.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORT ON BASIN MANAGEMENT

Director Placido reported that Watermaster received and filed their Three-Year Purchased Water Plan for FY 2023-24 to 2025-26, Audit Report for FY 2022-23, and reaffirmed their Cash Investment Policy.

The Assistant General Manager reported there is an issue with the rate of recharged at the Santa Fe Spreading Grounds and that USG3 may need to pause its water delivery to allow some maintenance and clearance work to be done at the spreading grounds.

REPORT OF WQA

No report.

REPORT OF THE ATTORNEY

General Counsel Ciampa reported on a citizens' initiative for the November 2024 election that would change the mechanisms by which public agencies can impose taxes, fees, or charges.

REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER/ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER

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

The General Manager reported that at the June 2023 Board meeting, the Board considered a proposed amendment to the District's financial reserve policy in the Administrative Code to clarify that the tax revenues the District receives from a levy for State Water Project fixed costs are segregated, deposited, and separately held in the capital reserve account for the State Water Project within the capital and catastrophic reserve fund and that this account can be expended only for the payment of fixed charges levied by the State Water Project. The process for opening a separate bank account for the State Water Project fixed costs is nearly complete.

Director Eng inquired about the State Grant through DWR for Turf Replacement. The General Manager will follow up with DWR.

The Assistant General Manager's written report is in the Agenda Packet. The Assistant General Manager reported as of the beginning of this month the District has 19,758 AF remaining to be delivered from its February 2023 allocation. He also reported on the following projects: Hydroelectric Facility 24" Butterfly Valve Replacement, the San Gabriel Flow Control Structure 30" Ball Valve Replacement, and the DCAP SCH 1 Pipeline Continuity Bonding, Corrosion Assessment Validation, and Cathodic System Design.

REPORT OF THE STATE WATER CONTRACTORS

The General Manager's written report on State Water Project matters is in the Agenda Packet.

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS

None.

DIRECTOR REPORTS ON EVENTS ATTENDED

None.

DIRECTOR COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURNED at 8:53 A.M.

There being no further business, upon motion made, seconded, and carried unanimously, the meeting was duly adjourned at 8:53 a.m. The next Regular Board Meeting of the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District will be on November 13, 2023, at 8:00 a.m.

s/ Mark R. Paulson

President

ATTEST:

s/ Miles L. Prince

Secretary