

MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
THREE VALLEYS MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

Wednesday, November 7, 2018
8:00 a.m.

1. Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance

The Board of Directors meeting of Three Valleys Municipal Water District (TVMWD) was called to order at 8:00 a.m. at the TVMWD office located at 1021 East Miramar Avenue, Claremont, California. The presiding officer was President Bob Kuhn.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The flag salute was led by President Bob Kuhn.

3. Roll Call

Roll call was taken with a quorum of the Board present. Director Dan Horan was marked as absent.

Directors Present

Bob Kuhn, President
David De Jesus, Vice President
Brian Bowcock, Secretary
Joe Ruzicka, Treasurer
Carlos Goytia, Director
John Mendoza, Director

Directors Absent

Dan Horan, Director

Staff Present

Rick Hansen, General Manager
Matt Litchfield, Assistant General Manager
Steve Kennedy, Legal Counsel
Liz Cohn, Sr. Financial Analyst
Ray Evangelista, Engineer
Mario Garcia Chief of Engineering / Operations Officer
Vicki Hahn, District Clerk/Executive Assistant
Kirk Howie, Chief Administrative Officer
Steve Lang, Water Operations Manager
James Linthicum, Chief Finance Officer
Ben Peralta, Project Manager
Esther Romero, Accounting Technician

Guests and others present: John Brettl, Suburban Water Systems; Director Ted Ebenkamp, Walnut Valley Water District; Denise Jackman, Rowland Heights Resident; Ben Lewis, Golden State Water Company; Director Tony Lima, Rowland Water District; Director Szu Pei Lu-Yang, Rowland Water District; Darron Poulsen, City of Pomona; Brian Teuber, Walnut Valley Water District; Dave Warren, Rowland Water District;

4. Additions to Agenda

President Kuhn inquired if there was a need to add items to the agenda. Staff did not have a need to add items to the published agenda.

5. Reorder Agenda

President Kuhn inquired if there was a need to reorder the agenda. Staff did not have a need to reorder the published agenda.

6. Public Comment

President Kuhn called for any public comment. There were no requests for public comment.

7. Consent Calendar

The Board considered consent calendar items 7.A-7.E that included: A) receive, approve and file minutes, October 2018 for October 3, 2018 and October 17, 2018; B) receive and file FY 18-19 First Quarter Reserves Update; C) receive, approve and file CY 2019 Holiday Schedule; D) approve adjustment to January 2019 schedule to cancel January 2, 2019 meeting; E) receive, approve and file CY 2019 Meeting Schedule. Upon motion and second, President Kuhn called for any discussion. There being no discussion the vote was called.

**Moved: De Jesus; Second: Ruzicka
Motion No. 18-11-5197 – Approval of Consent Calendar items 7.A-7.E. The motion passed by a 6-0 vote; Director Horan was absent from the meeting.**

8. General Manager's Report

8.A Mutual Response Agreement

Mr. Howie provided the Board with an update concerning the partnership TVMWD has with the Public Water Agencies Group (PWAG) for mutual response in the event of an emergency within the Los Angeles County region. Staff is seeking support to sign the proposed agreement to further enhance the program already in place. Legal counsel has reviewed the agreement and has approved its content. Upon motion and second, President Kuhn called for any discussion. There being no discussion the vote was called.

**Moved: Ruzicka; Second: Goytia
Motion No. 18-11-5198 – Authorize approval to enter into a Mutual Response Agreement between TVMWD and PWAG. The motion passed by a 6-0 vote; Director Horan was absent from the meeting.**

8.B Retiree Medical Benefit Policy Modification

Mr. Litchfield provided the Board with a PowerPoint presentation for consideration to modify the current retiree medical plan to include a reimbursement option for dental and vision coverage up to the maximum premium cost limits previously approved, e.g., \$600/month. It was noted that the premium cost limits are on a sliding scale based upon length of service. This benefit will be applied on a go-forward basis and will not apply to any prior retirees. Staff clarified and responded

to questions regarding the one-time estimated increase in costs of \$25,000. Staff was directed to return this item to the December 5, 2018 meeting for consideration of approval.

8.C Project Summary Update

The Board was provided with an update of ongoing projects at the District including a photographic presentation of progress. The emphasis of today's report was on the Grand Avenue Well, Reservoir Effluent Pump Project, JWL Control Valve and 6th & White Meter Connection Upgrades. The full report was included as part of the agenda packet and is available upon request.

9. Directors' / GM / AGM Oral Reports

President Kuhn extended congratulations to Director Goytia for the early outcome on the November 6, 2018 General Election.

Director Goytia further acknowledged the continuing changes across the local races within the region covered by TVMWD, specifically Pomona, California.

Director De Jesus provided an update from the November 5-6, 2018 Committee and Board meetings:

- Director Sylvia Ballin, San Fernando stepped off the MWD Board and was replaced with Director Yazdan T. Emrani.
- Director Fran Steiner, San Diego County Water Authority will be stepping off the MWD Board. Her replacement will be announced.
- MWD is evaluating review/replacement of their infrastructure. They are currently seeking a manufacturer to pick up the manufacturing of these isolation valves.
- The Lower Feeder is presently being revamped.
- An update on Lake Mead storage was provided. The current levels continue to diminish, and projections are anticipating a shortage for the upcoming water year. MWD is continuing to negotiate the drought contingency plans for allocation. At some future date it may become necessary to reallocate the distribution from CRA to the principals to ensure all parties are receiving their fair share.

Director Mendoza inquired about the impact to TVMWD with the passage of Proposition W. Mr. Hansen informed that this will impact individuals through the property taxes. It is anticipated that the County of Los Angeles may identify regional projects that can be undertaken.

Director Ruzicka reported on activities on November 1, 2018 by LAFCO and the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors and State Legislators to formally dissolve Sativa Water District.

The Chino Pools directors are continuing to discuss satisfactory language to be included in the safe yield settlement agreement. This item has been included on the November agenda for discussion.

Staff is looking at February 2019 for the next Leadership Breakfast, date is to be determined. Mr. Bill Hasenkamp, Manager of Colorado River Basin Operations for MWD has been invited to address the group.

On Saturday, November 3, 2018 TVMWD hosted 40 high schools for the Solar Boat building. For the first time, the entire event was held over a single day. Special thanks were extended to all volunteer staff, especially Cindy De Chaine, for their extraordinary efforts. Director De Jesus also encouraged directors to attend future Solar Cup activities and to report back to him so that he can share and secure support from other MWD directors for the future of this program.

10. Future agenda items

The following items were reviewed by the Board during today's meeting and recommended to move forward for consideration of approval at the December 5, 2018 Board Meeting.

- Modification to Retiree Medical Benefit

11. Closed session

The Board convened to closed session at 8:38 a.m. to discuss one item as follows:

Conference with Real Property Negotiators (pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8) for price and terms of cost sharing, Cadiz.

12. Announcement of Closed Session Actions

The Board reconvened to regular session at 9:20 a.m. There was no reportable action pursuant to the Brown Act.

13. Adjournment

The Board adjourned at 9:24 a.m. to its next regular meeting scheduled for Wednesday, December 5, 2018 at 8:00 a.m.

/s/ Bob Kuhn
President, Board of Directors
Three Valleys Municipal Water District

Recorded by: Victoria A. Hahn
District Clerk/Executive Assistant