

MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
of the
WEST VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
May 2, 2024

OPENING CEREMONIES

Call to Order - President Young called the Regular Board Meeting of the West Valley Water District to order at 6:02 p.m.
Roll Call of Board Members

Attendee Name	Present	Absent	Arrived
Directors			
Channing Hawkins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Angela Garcia	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	6:04 p.m.
Kelvin Moore	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Daniel Jenkins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Gregory Young	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
General Counsel			
Jeff Ferre	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
General Counsel			
Oliver Yee, Liebert Cassidy Whitmore			
Cynthia Germano, BBK			
Staff			
John Thiel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Linda Jadeski	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
William Fox	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Haydee Sainz	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Joanne Chan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Elvia Dominguez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Robert Ramirez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Socorro Pantaleon	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Albert Clinger	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Rocky Welborn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Approval of Any Board Member Requests for Remote Participation - None.
Pledge of Allegiance - The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Director Hawkins.
Opening Prayer - The Opening Prayer was led by Pastor Tracy Crawford.

Assistant General Manager Jadeski introduced new Director of Engineering Rocky Welborn who introduced himself and stated he looked forward to working for the District.

CLOSED SESSION

Public Participation on closed session matters

President Gregory Young inquired if anyone from the public would like to speak. Board Secretary Elvia Dominguez indicated no requests were received to speak via email or in-person, or on Zoom, therefore President Young closed the public comment period.

The Board entered into close session at 6:02 p.m.

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

Agency designated representatives: John Thiel, General Manager, Haydee Sainz, Human Resources Manager, Oliver Yee, Special Counsel

Employee Groups: International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 12

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION

Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9 Name of case: Naseem Farooqi v. West Valley Water District et al.

Report out of Closed Session

The Board adjourned the closed session at 6:38 p.m. to conduct the business portion of the meeting which commenced at 6:40 p.m. with all Board members present.

General Counsel Ferre reported the Board met for closed session and no reportable action was taken.

ADOPT AGENDA

Motion to adopt agenda.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Daniel Jenkins, Vice President
SECONDER:	Kelvin Moore, Director
AYES:	Channing Hawkins, Angela Garcia, Kelvin Moore, Daniel Jenkins, Gregory Young

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

President Young inquired if anyone from the public would like to speak.

Aside from a greeting by San Bernardino Valley Water District Board Member June Hayes, Board Secretary Elvia Dominguez indicated no requests were received to speak via email or in-person, or on Zoom, therefore President Young closed the public comment period.

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PRESENTATIONS

1. Earth Day Review

General Manager Thiel introduced the item and Manager of Public Outreach and Government Affairs Pantaleon presented a video to recap the Earth Day event, thanked the staff, event sponsors, and attendees.

2. Water Resources

General Manager Thiel introduced the item and Assistant General Manager Jadeski presented an overview of the District's water supply.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion approve Consent Calendar Item #1 – Item #6

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Daniel Jenkins, Vice President
SECONDER:	Angela Garcia, Director
AYES:	Channing Hawkins, Angela Garcia, Kelvin Moore, Daniel Jenkins, Gregory Young

1. April 18, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes
2. Monthly Revenue & Expenditures Report – March 2024
3. Cash Disbursements Report - March 2024
4. Purchase Order Report - March 2024
5. Monthly Transfer Report - March 2024
6. Treasurer's Report - March 2024

BUSINESS MATTERS

7. Approve Sale of Water in Storage in the Chino Groundwater Basin

Motion to Approve agreement with Niagara Bottling, LLC for the sale of 2,000 acre-feet of stored water in the Chino Groundwater Basin at a rate of \$620 per acre-feet and authorize the General Manager to execute all necessary documents.

WVWD

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RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Daniel Jenkins, Vice President
SECONDER:	Angela Garcia, Director
AYES:	Channing Hawkins, Angela Garcia, Kelvin Moore, Daniel Jenkins, Gregory Young

REPORTS - LIMITED TO 5 MINUTES MAXIMUM (Presentations or handouts must be provided to Board Members in advance of the Board Meeting).

1. Meeting Attendance Reports

Director Garcia reported on her attendance at the Earth Day event, Southern California Water Coalition meeting, and meeting with City of Fontana Mayor Warren.

Director Hawkins reported on his attendance at the ASBCSD's monthly meeting, California African American Water Education Foundation meeting, and San Bernardino Valley Water District's Foundations Summit event.

Vice President Jenkins reported on his attendance at San Bernardino Valley Water District's Foundations Summit event.

Director Young reported on this meeting with General Manager Thiel and County Supervisor Joe Baca.

2. Board Committee Reports

Vice President Jenkins reported on the Finance Committee meeting.

3. Board Members

Director Hawkins thanked the Executive Team, Vice President Jenkins and President Young for the work they are doing for the District.

4. General Manager

General Manager Thiel provided updates on recruitment; meeting with County Supervisor Joe Baca; meeting with Fontana Water Company; his attendance at San Bernardino Valley Water District's Foundations Summit event; and his upcoming attendance at ACWA's Spring Conference and California African American Water Education Foundation Panel Discussion.

Board Secretary Dominguez provided an overview of upcoming events and meetings. Director Garcia requested the External Affairs Committee meeting in June be moved and President Young requested the committee meetings for the month of May and June be evaluated and moved as needed due to conflicts with upcoming events and holidays.

5. Legal Counsel

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General Counsel Ferre provided an update on an Attorney General opinion stating that the Bown Act applies to groups and committees not formed by the Governing body, but composed of Elected Officials and in which public funds are involved.

ADJOURN

President Young adjourned the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

ATTEST:



Elvia Dominguez, Board Secretary

Minutes were approved on May 16, 2024 by the Board of Directors of the West Valley Water District.