

MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
of the
WEST VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
August 5, 2021

Attendee Name	Present	Excused	Absent
Board of Directors			
Channing Hawkins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michael Taylor	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> remote	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kyle Crowther	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> remote	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Clifford Young	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> remote	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gregory Young	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Staff			
Shamindra Manbahal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Van Jew	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Naseem Farooqi	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Haydee Sainz	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Peggy Asche	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Maisha Mesa	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> remote	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Linda Jadeski	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jon Stephenson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Joanne Chan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Albert Clinger	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jose Velasquez	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Legal Counsel			
Robert Tafoya	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

OPENING CEREMONIES

Pledge of Allegiance - Led by Director Greg Young
Opening Prayer - Led by Pastor Bratton, Greater Faith Grace Bible Church
Call to Order
Roll Call of Board Members

ADOPT AGENDA

Director Greg Young motioned to adopt the agenda as presented and Director Dr. Clifford Young second the motion. Hearing no discussion, the following vote was taken:

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Gregory Young, Director
SECONDER:	Clifford Young, Director
AYES:	Channing Hawkins, Michael Taylor, Kyle Crowther, Clifford Young, Gregory Young

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

President Hawkins inquired if any member of the public would like to address the Board members. Ms. Peggy Asche, Board Secretary, reported that she received an email from Mr. Hardy Brown and his concerns were read to the Board members and his email will be kept on file. Also, Director June Hayes, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District requested to speak.

PRESENTATION

- **IE Works Intern Introduction.**

Mr. Shamindra Manbahal reported that with the vision of President Channing Hawkins and the Board members, this program took almost one and a half years to get under way. JVS helped tremendously to guide the district through it and secure funding for the program. There are three interns who are starting off the first phase of the ten-week program. Haydee Sainz, Director of Human Resources and Risk Management, presented a bio on two of the interns and introduced Dimitirius Glass and Jacinda Ashbaugh. Both interns thanked the Board and stated that they really appreciated this opportunity.

- **New Employees Introduction.**

Haydee Sainz, Director of Human Resources and Risk Management introduced two new employees that will be working in the field. Albert Herrera, Water Systems Operator I and Connor McReynolds, Water Systems Operator I.

- **Oliver P. Roemer Water Filtration Facility Expansion Update.**

Linda Jadeski, Director of Engineering, updated the Board on the expansion of the Oliver P. Roemer Water Filtration Facility project. Currently working on the SRF Loan Funding with our consultants. The general information package along with the technical and financial packages have been submitted. A SRF Project Manager has been assigned. The last package to be completed is the Environmental, which entails CEQA - draft IS/MND and will be circulating that for a 30-day review period for the public. On the design build firm side, an expression of interest was issued and received six design build firms and posted a Request for Qualifications on PlanetBids in June. There have been individual site visits with the team and are expecting four teams to submit their qualifications. The district is expecting potential impacts to the construction costs, due to Covid-19, such as: material costs are going up, some other items were discovered during the 30% design period, upgrades and modifications, as well as replacement of current items at the Roemer Plant. The Board thanked Mrs. Jadeski for keeping them updated.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Director Greg Young motioned to adopt the Consent Calendar requesting to move Item No.'s 16 and 21 for separate discussion. Director Dr. Michael Taylor second the motion. Hearing no discussion, the following vote was taken:

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Gregory Young, Director
SECONDER:	Michael Taylor, Director
AYES:	Channing Hawkins, Michael Taylor, Kyle Crowther, Clifford Young, Gregory Young

1. JULY 1, 2021 – REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES.
2. JULY 15, 2021 – REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES.
3. RESOLUTION NO. 2021-17, ADOPTING THE AREA OF LAFCO 3243 (I-15 LOGISTICS PROJECT) INTO WEST VALLEY WATER DISTRICT ELECTION DISTRICT.
4. I-10 CEDAR AVENUE INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT: PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES AMENDMENT NO. 2.
5. TASK ORDER NO. 2 WITH TOM DODSON & ASSOCIATES FOR BIOLOGICAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE ZONE 3 RESERVOIR 8-3 AND 8-4.
6. PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR TCP IMPACT AND SOLUTION STUDY.
7. PURCHASE OF ZONE 6 PROPERTY FOR WELL SITE.
8. LAND PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF ZONE 8 PROPERTY.
9. WATER SYSTEM INFRASTRUCTURE INSTALLATION AND CONVEYANCE AGREEMENT WITH RICHLAND DEVELOPERS, INC. FOR LYTLE CREEK ROAD WATER IMPROVEMENT PLANS MONARCH HILLS DEVELOPMENT TTM 20010.
10. PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR THE CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION STUDY.
11. REINSTATE ORDINANCE NO. 86, AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WEST VALLEY WATER DISTRICT WITH RESPECT TO COMPENSATION AND POLICIES RELATED TO BOARD ACTIVITIES.

12. APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO LIEBERT CASSIDY WHITMORE, FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED THROUGH APRIL 30, 2021, FOR CONFIDENTIAL PERSONNEL MATTERS, INVOICE NO'S. 1520673; \$803.00.
13. APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO LIEBERT CASSIDY WHITMORE, FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED FROM MARCH 31, 2021, TO JUNE 30, 2021, FOR GENERAL SERVICES, INVOICE NO'S. 1518520, 1520378, 1522474, AND 200737; TOTALING \$10,198.60.
14. APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO LIEBERT CASSIDY WHITMORE, FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED FROM MARCH 31, 2021, TO JUNE 30, 2021, FOR PERSONNEL RULES AUDIT, INVOICE NO'S 1518521, 1520379, 1522475 AND 200736; TOTALING \$2,597.00.
15. APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO HUNT ORTMANN PALFFY NIEVES, FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED IN JUNE 2021, INVOICE NO. 88849; \$30,156.50.
16. APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO LEAL TREJO, FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED IN MAY 2021, INVOICE NO. 18475; \$4,582.50. (Item 16 & 21 was moved to Business Matters for discussion during the adoption of the Consent Calendar).
17. APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO REED & DAVIDSON, LLP, FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED IN MAY 2021, INVOICE NO. 42216; \$12,502.50.
18. APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO REED & DAVISON, LLP, FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED IN JUNE 2021, INVOICE NO. 42320; \$19,859.00.
19. APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO IVIE MCNEILL WYATT PURCELL & DIGGS, FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED IN MAY, INVOICE NO. 744727, DAVIS V. WVWD; \$2,085.00.
20. APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO IVIE MCNEILL WYATT PURCELL & DIGGS, FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED IN MAY, INVOICE NO. 744728, ROMERO V. WVWD; \$405.00.
21. APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO TAFOYA LAW GROUP, APC, FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED IN JULY 2021, INVOICE NO. 21-1006; \$23,356.50. (Item 16 & 21 was moved to Business Matters for discussion during the adoption of the Consent Calendar).

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BUSINESS MATTERS

16. APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO LEAL TREJO, FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED IN MAY 2021, INVOICE NO. 18475; \$4,582.50. (Moved from the Consent Calendar).

Director Dr. Michael Taylor motioned to approve Business Items 16 and 21 with one vote. Vice President Kyle Crowther second the motion. There was no discussion regarding the items. The vote below was taken with Director Dr. Clifford Young voting “No”.

RESULT:	APPROVED [4 TO 1]
MOVER:	Michael Taylor, Director
SECONDER:	Kyle Crowther, Vice President
AYES:	Channing Hawkins, Michael Taylor, Kyle Crowther, Gregory Young
NAYS:	Clifford Young

21. APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO TAFOYA LAW GROUP, APC, FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED IN JULY 2021, INVOICE NO. 21-1006; \$23,356.50. (Moved from the Consent Calendar).

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RESULT:	APPROVED [4 TO 1]
MOVER:	Michael Taylor, Director
SECONDER:	Kyle Crowther, Vice President
AYES:	Channing Hawkins, Michael Taylor, Kyle Crowther, Gregory Young
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REPORTS - LIMITED TO 5 MINUTES MAXIMUM (Presentations or handouts must be provided to Board Members in advance of the Board Meeting).

1. Board Members

- Director Greg Young congratulated the new employees and interns and welcomed them to the district. He reported that the last three weeks have been very difficult for him and his family and stated that is why he missed a Board meeting. His Dad was in a plane crash, but thankfully now he is doing better and wanted to thank all who reached out for support.
- President Hawkins stated that he is very sorry to hear about Director Young’s Dad and wished him and his family well.
- Director Dr. Michael Taylor also echoed President Hawkins remarks. Also, welcomed the new employees and interns to the district. It’s great to see that this new Program is working out well.

2. General Manager

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- Mr. Shamindra Manbahal is happy to hear that Director Young's Dad is doing better and sorry to hear what he had to go through. Welcomed the new employees and interns and told them to take full advantage of their learning opportunities. Reported that he attended a Southern California Water Coalition quarterly meeting in Ontario and enjoyed meeting new colleagues in the water industry. Also, attended Utility Water Management Conference yesterday and stated that other colleagues are also expanding their Plants. The district is continuing its partnership with Valley Water as they supported the district in our WIFIA letter submittal request and has asked the district to do the same for them.

3. Legal Counsel

- Mr. Robert Tafoya also passed along his good wishes to Director Young's Dad and glad to hear that he is doing well. Mr. Tafoya reported out of Closed Session stating that no reportable action was taken.

CLOSED SESSION

- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION - Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9(b): Number of Cases: Four (4).
- CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (54957.6) DISTRICT NEGOTIATORS; Shamindra Manbahal, Haydee Sainz, Robert Tafoya, Union Negotiators; re: International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 12.
- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION – John Rios v. West Valley Water District, Case No. CIVDS1937224.
- CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATIONS (54956.8) – Purchase and Sale Agreement for Zone 6 Property, Remaining Lot of Tract No. 20018.
- CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATIONS (54956.8) - Contract for Zone 8 Property, APN NO. 0239-041-23.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.



Channing Hawkins
President of the Board of Directors
of West Valley Water District

ATTEST: 
Peggy Asche, Board Secretary

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