

SAN BERNARDINO VALLEY WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

MINUTES OF May 31, 2017
1:30 P.M.

President Corneille called the Board Meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 1:30 p.m. All present stood for the pledge of allegiance, led by President Corneille.

ROLL CALL:

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Richard Corneille, President
Melody McDonald, Vice President (Arrival 1:46 p.m.)
David E. Raley, Director
T. Milford Harrison, Director
John Longville, Director (Arrival 1:33 p.m.)

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

GENERAL COUNSEL PRESENT:

David Cosgrove, Rutan & Tucker, LLP

STAFF PRESENT:

Daniel Cozad, General Manager
Jeff Beehler, Land Resource Manager
Athena Monge, Administrative Services Specialist

GUESTS PRESENT:

David E. Smith, East Valley Water District
Charles Roberts, Highland Community News
Clayton Larkins, Tetra Tech

1. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

President Corneille announced this as the time for any persons present, who so desired, to make an oral presentation to the Board of Directors. Hearing none, the meeting continued with published agenda items.

2. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA

There were none.

3. PUBLIC HEARING RELATED TO ADOPTION OF GROUNDWATER CHARGE

President Corneille opened the Groundwater Charge Public Hearing. Mr. Cosgrove stated that the EI Report was presented at the February 8th Board of Directors meeting and adopted at the March 15th Board of Directors meeting. The Draft Groundwater Enterprise Budget was presented at the February 8th Board of Directors meeting. Mr. Cozad stated that no written or oral comments have been received. President Corneille asked for any public who would like to speak on the groundwater charge. He noted the proposed new rates would be \$3.36 for agricultural and \$12.08 for non-agricultural, if Resolution No. 553 is adopted. There were no public present who wished to speak on groundwater charge.

It was moved by Director Harrison and seconded by Director Raley to approve Resolution No. 553 adopting the increase of the Groundwater Charge for 2017-2018. The motion carried 4-0 with all Directors present voting in the affirmative and Vice President McDonald noted absent from the vote.

**President Corneille: Yes
Vice President McDonald: Absent
Director Longville: Yes
Director Raley: Yes
Director Harrison: Yes**

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

It was requested by President Corneille to add the following sentence to the Minutes of the April 26, 2017 meeting for item 4C after the last sentence-“ Expenses paid directly by the District are not included”.

It was moved by Director Raley and seconded by Director Longville to approve Consent Calendar Item A: Board Minutes, April 26, 2017 as revised, Item B: Strategic Planning Workshop Minutes, May 3, 2017 and Item C: Expenditure Report, April 2017 with minor revisions to Item A. The motion carried 4-0 with all Directors present voting in the affirmative and Vice President McDonald noted absent from the vote.

**President Corneille: Yes
Vice President McDonald: Absent
Director Longville: Yes
Director Raley: Yes
Director Harrison: Yes**

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTION ITEMS

A. UNAUDITED FINANCIAL REPORTS, APRIL 2017

It was moved by President Corneille and seconded by Director Raley to approve the Unaudited Financial Reports for April 2017. The motion carried 4-0 with all Directors present voting in the affirmative and Vice President McDonald noted absent from the vote.

President Corneille: Yes
Vice President McDonald: Absent
Director Longville: Yes
Director Raley: Yes
Director Harrison: Yes

B. WASH PLAN HCP PRE-PERMIT PROJECT REVIEW PROCESS

Mr. Beehler introduced this item for discussion. He relayed the Wash Plan Task Force's request that the Board allow staff to implement a project review process prior to HCP Incidental Take Permit issuance. The outline of the process is included on package page 33. This item was requested by the Task Force at their meeting on April 18, 2017. Director Raley the Board's liaison with the Task Force spoke in support of proposed process.

It was moved by Director Raley and seconded by Director Harrison to approve the Wash Plan HCP Pre-Permit Project Review Process as presented. The motion carried 4-0 with all Directors present voting in the affirmative and Vice President McDonald noted absent from the vote.

President Corneille: Yes
Vice President McDonald: Absent
Director Longville: Yes
Director Raley: Yes
Director Harrison: Yes

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. WASH PLAN REPORT

Mr. Beehler noted the written Wash Plan Report's inclusion on package page 34. The HCP is anticipated to be published in Federal Register July 2017 barring unforeseen issues. This item was received and filed.

B. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT AND MONTHLY RECHARGE REPORT

Mr. Cozad indicated that the written General Manager's Report is included in the Board Package on pages 37-39. He provided a map on page 42 of a fire that occurred in the Wash on City of Redlands property, May 21st. The fire was thought to be started by a homeless encampment. HR 497 regarding the Wash Plan land exchange with BLM is expected to be heard on the floor of the full House of Representatives on June 26th. Located on package page 41 is a letter of support for AB 1235 which would provide funding for the Santa Ana River Conservancy. Field Staff installed gates this morning where unauthorized access was occurring. This item was received and filed.

C. GROUNDWATER COUNCIL REPORT

Mr. Cozad indicated that the written Groundwater Council (GC) Report is included in the Board Package on page 43. At the May meeting the Committee finalized and accepted the current

equitable allocation model. There is a meeting in June to discuss governance. Director Raley asked who will perform the work of the GC. Mr. Cozad indicated that the GC is still identifying its governance structure but any party to the agreement can carry out the function of the GC. Discussion ensued. This item was received and filed.

D. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS & STAFF TASKS

There were none discussed.

7. MONTHLY BOARD MEMBER COMMITTEE ACTIVITY REPORTS, AND/OR COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS

Director Longville attended the May 3rd Strategic Planning Workshop, May 5th Valley Municipal Facilities Tour and met with Congressman Aguilar on May 13th. He attended a meeting with the General Manager on May 1st.

Director Raley attended the Redlands Rise N Shine on May 5th and HCP Review meeting on May 23rd as well as the State of the Community Luncheon in Highland on May 23rd.

Director Harrison attended the May 5th Valley Municipal Facilities Tour. He also attended the ACWA/JPIA meeting and ACWA Spring Conference, May 8th thru 12th.

President Corneille attended the ACWA Spring Conference May 9th thru May 11th. He attended the Groundwater Committee meeting, Water Quality Committee and Water Management Committee at the conference.

Vice President McDonald attended the ACWA Spring Conference and ACWA/JPIA meetings May 8th thru May 12th. She was reappointed to the ACWA Executive Committee. She attended Valley Municipal's Board Meeting on May 2nd and May 16th. Vice President McDonald attended the State of the Community Luncheon in Highland on May 23rd. She attended the Ad Hoc GM Evaluation Committee meeting on May 15th and May 24th along with Director Raley.

8. UPCOMING MEETINGS

There were none discussed.

9. CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by Director Longville and seconded by President Corneille to adjourn to Closed Session. The motion carried 5-0 with all Directors present voting in the affirmative.

**President Corneille: Yes
Vice President McDonald: Yes
Director Longville: Yes
Director Raley: Yes
Director Harrison: Yes**

General Counsel announced that the meeting will adjourn to closed session to those items listed on the posted agenda.

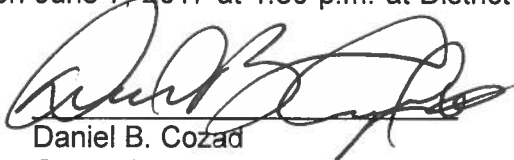
At 3:20 p.m., the meeting reconvened into Open Session. Under 54957.1 (a) there was no reportable action.

10. ADJOURN MEETING

It was moved by President Corneille and seconded by Vice President McDonald to adjourn. The motion carried 5-0 with all Directors present voting in the affirmative.

**President Corneille: Yes
Vice President McDonald: Yes
Director Longville: Yes
Director Raley: Yes
Director Harrison: Yes**

At 3:21 p.m. the meeting adjourned to the immediately following Budget Workshop and to the Strategic Planning Workshop to be held on June 7, 2017 at 1:30 p.m. at District Headquarters, 1630 W. Redlands Blvd., Redlands, CA.



Daniel B. Cozad
General Manager