

**LAS VIRGENES – TRIUNFO
JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY
MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING**

5:00 PM

January 6, 2020

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Director Shapiro.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at **5:01 p.m.** by Chair Orkney in the Board Room at Las Virgenes Municipal Water District headquarters at 4232 Las Virgenes Road in Calabasas, California. Director Polan participated from the teleconference location at 31755 Bedfordhurst Court, Westlake Village, California. Mary Capps, Acting Clerk of the Board, conducted the roll call.

Present: Directors Caspary, Lewitt, Lo-Hill, Orkney, Polan, Renger, Shapiro, Tjulander, and Wall.

Absent: None

Director Polan confirmed that he posted a copy of the agenda at the teleconference location 72 hours in advance.

Chair Orkney noted that all votes taking during the meeting would require a roll call vote due to Director Polan's participation by teleconference.

2. CHAIR/VICE CHAIR

A Annual Transition of JPA Chair and Vice Chair

Recognize Las Virgenes Municipal Water District Board President Jay Lewitt as Chair and Triunfo Water & Sanitation District Chair James Wall as Vice Chair of the Las Virgenes – Triunfo Joint Powers Authority for calendar year 2020.

The JPA Board transitioned its officers with Las Virgenes Municipal Water District Board President Jay Lewitt as Chair and Triunfo Water & Sanitation District Chair James Wall as Vice Chair for calendar year 2020.

3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Director Tjulander moved to approve the agenda. Motion seconded by Director Wall. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Caspary, Lewitt, Lo-Hill, Orkney, Polan, Renger, Shapiro, Tjulander, Wall
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

5. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

A Minutes: Special Meeting of December 9, 2019: Approve

Director Caspary moved to approve the Consent Calendar. Motion seconded by Director Orkney. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Caspary, Lewitt, Lo-Hill, Orkney, Polan, Renger, Shapiro, Tjulander, Wall
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

6. **ILLUSTRATIVE AND/OR VERBAL PRESENTATION AGENDA ITEMS**

A Pure Water Project Las Virgenes-Triunfo: Update

Joe McDermott, Director of Engineering and External Affairs, provided an update regarding construction activities on the Pure Water Demonstration Facility and the Demonstration Garden Project. He noted that both projects should be completed by the end of January, and both were on schedule for a ribbon cutting ceremony and tours in late March. He reported that three interns were working on a community-wide Pure Water survey and planned to have the results prior to opening the demonstration facility for tours.

A discussion ensued regarding the logistics of the survey and ribbon cutting ceremony.

7. **ACTION ITEMS**

A Budget Planning Calendar for Fiscal Years 2020-21 and 2021-22

Receive and file the Budget Planning Calendar for Fiscal Years 2020-21 and 2021-22.

Administering Agent/General Manager David Pedersen presented the report.

Director Tjulander moved to approve Item 7A. Motion seconded by Director Wall.

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Caspary, Lewitt, Lo-Hill, Orkney, Polan, Renger, Shapiro, Tjulander, Wall

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

B Rancho Las Virgenes Composting Facility: Biofilter Repair

Waive the formal bidding process due to the proprietary nature of the materials to be purchased and authorize the Administering Agent/General Manager to issue a purchase order to BacTee Systems, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$150,000, for new trench covers and baseplates to re-establish the odor control process at the Rancho Las Virgenes Composting Facility.

Administering Agent/General Manager David Pedersen presented the report.

Director Orkney moved to approve Item 7B. Motion seconded by Director Tjulander.

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Caspary, Lewitt, Lo-Hill, Orkney, Polan, Renger, Shapiro, Tjulander, Wall

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

8. BOARD COMMENTS

None.

9. ADMINISTERING AGENT/GENERAL MANAGER REPORT

Administering Agent/General Manager David Pedersen reported that Mike McNutt, Public Affairs & Communications Manager, would provide a presentation and update on the School Education and Outreach Program at the February meeting. He reported that the JPA has seen a 25 percent reduction in energy usage as a result of the Process Air Improvements Project at Tapia. He also noted that a Solar Project update would be provided at the February meeting. Lastly, he announced

that he would like to initiate a discussion regarding the annual lobbying trip to Washington D.C. anticipated for April 2020.

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

11. INFORMATION ITEMS

A State and Federal Legislative Update

12. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

13. CLOSED SESSION

A Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9(a)):


Zusser Company, Inc. v. Las Virgenes Municipal Water District

The Board recessed to Closed Session at **5:24 p.m.** and reconvened to Open Session at **6:18 p.m.**

Keith Lemieux, District Counsel, announced that the Board received a report in Closed Session, and there was no reportable action.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Seeing no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was duly adjourned at **6:19 p.m.**



Jay Lewitt, Chair

ATTEST:



James Wall, Vice Chair