



LAS VIRGENES MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
4232 Las Virgenes Road, Calabasas CA 91302

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING

5:00 PM

October 25, 2016

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Darrell Johnson.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at **5:00 p.m.** by Board President Peterson in the Board Room at Las Virgenes Municipal Water District headquarters at 4232 Las Virgenes Road, Calabasas CA 91302. Josie Guzman, Clerk of the Board, conducted the roll call.

Present: Directors Charles Caspary, Jay Lewitt, Len Polan, Lee Renger, and Glen Peterson

Absent: None

Staff Present: David Pedersen, General Manager
David Lippman, Director of Facilities and Operations
Don Patterson, Director of Finance and Administration
Carlos Reyes, Director of Resource Conservation and Public Outreach
Josie Guzman, Clerk of the Board
Keith Lemieux, District Counsel

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

General Manager David Pedersen noted that the original agenda inadvertently omitted the categories under Item 9, Non-Action Items, and a corrected agenda was issued. He also stated that there was no update for Closed Session Item 12A, and he recommended that it be removed from the agenda.

Director Renger moved to approve the agenda as amended. Motion seconded by Director Caspary. Motion carried unanimously.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

A List of Demands: October 25, 2016 - Ratify

B Minutes: Special Meeting of October 13, 2016 - Approve

C Supply and Delivery of Aluminum Sulfate: Award of Bid

Accept the bid from Thatcher Company of California, Inc., in the amount of \$17,052, and authorize the General Manager to issue a one-year blanket purchase order, in the amount of \$18,757, with four one-year renewal options, for the supply and deliver of aluminum sulfate.

Director Caspary moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. Motion seconded by Director Renger. Motion carried unanimously.

5. ILLUSTRATIVE AND/OR VERBAL PRESENTATION AGENDA ITEMS

A Legislative and Regulatory Updates

General Manager David Pedersen noted that copies of two comment letters were provided to the Board. He stated that one letter was addressed to the California Department of Water Resources and the State Water Resources Control Board regarding the Current State Agency Draft Response to Executive Order B-37-16, and the second letter was addressed to the State Water Resources Control Board regarding the Report to the Legislature on Feasibility of Developing Uniform Water Recycled Criteria for Direct Potable Reuse to support the finding that it is technically feasible to develop uniform water recycling criteria for direct potable reuse and utilization of a phased approach.

B Water Supply Conditions and Drought Response

General Manager David Pedersen noted that copies of the 8-station index and 5-station index charts were attached to the Water Supply Conditions report. He stated that the current daily precipitation was 7.3 inches for the 8-station index and 3.3 inches for the 5-station index.

6. TREASURER

Director Lewitt stated that the Treasurer's report was in order.

7. **FACILITIES AND OPERATIONS**

A 18-inch Recycled Water Joint Bonding Repair Project: Final Acceptance

Execute a Notice of Completion and have the same recorded; and, in the absence of claims from subcontractors and others, release the retention, in the amount of \$2,880.30, within 30 calendar days after filing the Notice of Completion for the 18-inch Recycled Water Pipeline Joint Bonding Repair Project.

General Manager David Pedersen presented the report.

Director Polan moved to approve Item 7A. Motion seconded by Director Renger.

David Lippman, Director of Facilities and Operations, responded to questions related to monitoring the electrically bonded joints on an annual basis and the number of electrical bonds per joint for the 18-inch pipeline.

Motion carried unanimously.

B Sewer Lift Stations Nos. 1 and 2: Generator Day Tank and Fuel Pump System Replacement

Approve an appropriation, in the amount of \$57,641, and authorize the General Manager to issue a purchase order to Odyssey Power, in the amount of \$57,641, for the purchase and installation of new day tank and fuel pump systems for Lift Stations Nos. 1 and 2.

General Manager David Pedersen presented the report..

Director Renger moved to approve Item 7B. Motion seconded by Director Polan.

David Lippman, Director of Facilities and Operations, responded to questions related to the alarm monitoring for system failure and testing the emergency generators 20 hours per year.

Motion carried unanimously.

8. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

A Wallace Weir Fish Rescue Facility

Board President Peterson stated that the Wallace Weir Fish Rescue Facility Project will be beneficial for the upstream migration of salmon and sturgeon.

9. **NON-ACTION ITEMS**

A Organization Reports

(1) MWD Representative Report

Board President Peterson reported that he attended MWD Committee meetings earlier in the day. He noted that the Integrated Resources Planning Committee discussed efforts to promote water conservation such as incentives for turf removal, rain barrels, and other water saving devices, and the Special Committee on Bay-Delta discussed environmental issues in the Bay-Delta. He announced the passing of former Senator and Assemblymember Tom Hayden who was instrumental in passing SB 60 regarding MWD's preparation of annual reports relating to water conservation and the formation of an ethics office, and the passing of former MWD Director Jim Rez who represented the City of Glendale.

(2) Other

Director Caspary reported on his attendance at the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission meeting where they issued the Santa Monica Bay National Estuary Program Annual Report for 2015, discussed the Fiscal Year 2017 Work Plan, and discussed Proposition 84 Grant Program funding recommendations.

B Director's Reports on Outside Meetings

Director Polan reported that he attended the Association of Water Agencies of Ventura County WaterWise Breakfast on October 20th, where a presentation was given by Demetri J. Polyzos from MWD regarding the Colorado River.

Director Lewitt reported that he also attended the Association of Water Agencies of Ventura County WaterWise Breakfast. He also stated that he had a better understanding of water issues in California after attending the State Water Project Tour.

Director Renger reported that he also attended the Association of Water Agencies of Ventura County WaterWise Breakfast. He stated that most of the information presented was available in the book *Colossus* by Michael Hiltzik. He also stated that Mr. Polyzos indicated that MWD has distributive water storage that would last for six months, and people are coming to terms that there is less water available.

Director Lewitt reported that he attended the Carlsbad Desalination Plant tour on October 19th and drank a sample of the desalinated water. He noted that Susan Mulligan, General Manager of Calleguas Municipal Water District (Calleguas), also attended the tour, and Calleguas is considering a desalination project. Board President Peterson commented regarding the expense to treat ocean water, and noted that Calleguas is considering a brackish water desalination project, which would be more efficient than ocean water desalination.

Director Polan reported that he also attended the Carlsbad Desalination Plant tour and noted that the plant was well integrated into the community as far as acoustic and visual appeal.

C General Manager Reports

(1) General Business

General Manager David Pedersen reported that the District was selected as a finalist for the *Huell Howser Best in Blue Award: Achieving Communications Excellence* for its efforts on public outreach for budget based rates. He stated that the winner would be announced at the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) Fall Conference luncheon. He noted that he would be attending the City Council's Study Session at the City of Westlake Village on October 26th where he would share information regarding the Pure Water Project Las Virgenes-Triunfo. He also noted that the Agoura Hills State of the City Luncheon would be held on October 26th, and the Southern California Water Committee Annual Dinner Meeting would be held on October 27th.

(2) Follow-Up Items

D Directors' Comments

None.

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

11. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

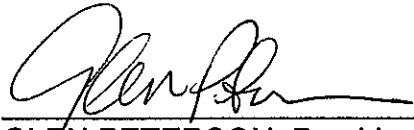
12. CLOSED SESSION - (This item was removed from the agenda.)

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

- 1. Las Virgenes – Triunfo Joint Powers Authority v. United States Environmental Protection Agency and Heal the Bay, Inc. v. Lisa P. Jackson (TMDL cases)
- 2. Las Virgenes – Triunfo Joint Powers Authority v. United States Environmental Protection Agency (FOIA case)

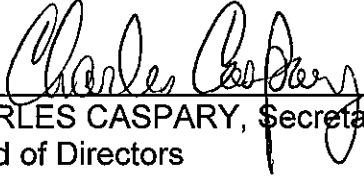
13. OPEN SESSION AND ADJOURNMENT

Seeing no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was duly adjourned at **5:43 p.m.**



GLEN PETERSON, President
Board of Directors
Las Virgenes Municipal Water District

ATTEST:



CHARLES CASPARY, Secretary
Board of Directors
Las Virgenes Municipal Water District

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