

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**THREE VALLEYS MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT**

**Wednesday, June 20, 2018**  
**8:00 a.m.**

**1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call**

The Board of Directors meeting of Three Valleys Municipal Water District (TVMWD) was preceded by the Annual Financing Corporation meeting and called to order at 8:04 a.m. at the TVMWD office located at 1021 East Miramar Avenue, Claremont, California. The presiding officer was President Bob Kuhn.

The flag salute and roll call were waived having been completed during the Annual Financing Corporation Meeting.

**Directors Present**

Bob Kuhn – President  
David De Jesus – Vice President  
Brian Bowcock – Secretary  
Joseph Ruzicka – Treasurer  
Carlos Goytia – Director (ar. 8:02 am)  
John Mendoza – Director

**Directors Absent**

Dan Horan – Director (excused)

**Staff Present**

Rick Hansen, General Manager  
Steve Kennedy, General Counsel  
Ray Evangelista, Engineer  
Kirk Howie, Chief Administrative Officer  
Vicki Hahn, District Clerk / Executive Assistant  
Steve Lang, Water Operations Manager  
James Linthicum, Chief Finance Officer  
Matt Litchfield, Assistant General Manager  
Ben Peralta, Project Manager

Guests and others present: Maureen Coleman, Willdan; Tom Coleman, Rowland Water District; Director Ted Ebenkamp, Walnut Valley Water District; Director Ed Hilden, Walnut Valley Water District; Erik Hitchman, Walnut Valley Water District; Flor Iturbe, Willdan; Denise Jackman, Rowland Heights Community Coordination Council; Ben Lewis, Golden State Water Company; Director Tony Lima, Rowland Water District; Director Szu Pei Lu-Yang, Rowland Water District; Chris Palmer, Special Districts Leadership Foundation; Steve Patton, City of Glendora; Darron Poulsen, City of Pomona; Brian Teuber, Walnut Valley Water District; Dave Warren, Rowland Water District

**2. Additions to Agenda**

President Kuhn inquired if there was a need to add items to the agenda. Staff did not have a need to add items to the published agenda.

**3. Reorder Agenda**

President Kuhn inquired if there was a need to reorder the agenda. Staff did not have a need to reorder the published agenda.

**4. Public Comment**

President Kuhn called for any public comment. There were no requests for public comments.

**5. Presentation – California Special Districts Association/Special Districts Leadership Foundation**

Mr. Chris Palmer attended today's meeting to present TVMWD with its Transparency Certificate of Excellence for 2018-2020. This is the second renewal for TVMWD and exhibits its efforts toward open and transparent governance.

**6. Standby Charge – Public Hearing**

President Kuhn opened the public hearing at 8:10 a.m. Mr. Linthicum provided the staff report. The action under consideration following the public hearing will be for the Board to consider approval of the FY 2018-19 standby charge of \$18.79/EDU and authorize staff to complete any related processes for implementation of same. Ms. Maureen Coleman and Ms. Flor Iturbe of Wildan Financial were in the audience and available to respond to any questions. Notice of the public hearing and intent to adopt the water standby charge for FY 2018-19 were published in the Inland Valley Daily Bulletin and San Gabriel Valley Tribune on June 6 and June 13, 2018 respectively. Copies of notices are available upon request. TVMWD has not received any requests to provide comment or testimony in this matter. Prior to closing the public hearing President Kuhn inquired if anyone in the audience wanted to provide any comments or testimony. There being none, the public hearing was closed at 8:13 a.m.

**7. Approval of Resolution No. 18-06-828 Adopting the FY 2018-19 Water Standby Charge**

Following the closure of the public hearing, President Kuhn called for a motion to adopt Resolution No. 18-06-828 to adopt the FY 2018-19 Water Standby Charge at \$18.79/EDU. Upon motion and second the floor was opened for discussion. There being no discussion, President Kuhn called for the vote.

**Moved: Bowcock; Second: Ruzicka  
Motion No. 18-06-5183 – Approval of Resolution No. 18-06-828 adopting the FY 2018-19 water standby charge. The motion passed by a 6-0 vote; Director Horan had an excused absence.**

**8. Consent Calendar**

The Board was asked to consider the consent calendar items (8A-8F) for the June 20, 2018 Board meeting that included: (8A) receive, approve and file, May 2018 minutes for May 16, 2018; (8B) receive, approve and file financial reports and investment update May 2018; (8C) approve Resolution No. 18-06-829 for disposition of surplus property; (8D) receive, approval and file salary schedule effective July 1, 2018; (8E) receive, approve and file modified board meeting schedule; (8F) approve Resolution No. 18-06-830 tax sharing exchange with County Sanitation District, Annexation No. 21-756.

Upon motion and second the floor was opened for discussion. There being no discussion, President Kuhn called for the vote.

**Moved: Ruzicka; Second: De Jesus  
Motion No. 18-06-5184 – Approving Consent Calendar Items 8A – 8F for June 20, 2018. The motion passed by a 6-0 vote; Director Horan had an excused absence.**

## 9. General Manager's Report

### 9.A Legislative Update, June 2018

As requested during the June 6, 2018 meeting, the Board was provided with a draft letter of opposition regarding SB 562 (Lara) – Healthy California Act. This legislation was introduced during the first year of the current two-year legislative cycle and quickly moved through Senate to Assembly. Currently the legislation has not been moved to an Assembly Committees for action, however there is still time for this to occur in the current cycle. TVMWD has been made aware that Speaker Anthony Rendon commented that they are potential alternatives that are better than what is being proposed by SB 562. Following discussion President Kuhn requested that staff hold the proposed opposition letter to such a time that if the legislation moves to committee, we are ready and prepared to act.

Ben Lewis, Golden State Water Company addressed the Board and expressed his appreciation that TVMWD is considerate about watching how potential pass-through costs might be approved and move forward. He further expressed caution about TVMWD addressing and acting on non-water related issues. Director Mendoza expressed his concurrence with these comments and the cause and effect of getting involved in non-water related issues.

Director Ed Hilden, Walnut Valley Water District addressed the Board and expressed his concern regarding this legislation being proposed and noted that the Underwriters of Orange County have taken a position of opposition in this matter.

**Motion No. 18-06-5185 – Approving letter of opposition to SB 562 (Lara) – Healthy California Act. Approval of the opposition letter failed to move forward as there were no motion or second taken by the Board.**

A summary of the outcome of the June 5, 2018 primary election was provided. An inquiry was made as to whether any changes from the prior report have occurred. There have not been any changes. The next legislative update will be provided to the Board in October 2018, with a wrap up following the November 6, 2018 General Election.

TVMWD will have three seats up in November, Districts 1, 3 and 5.

### 9.B Approve Director Expense Reports, May 2018

The Board was asked to consider approval of the May 2018 director expense reports, and the February and March 2018 reports for Director Horan.

Upon motion and second, the floor was opened for discussion. There being no discussion, President Kuhn called for vote.

**Moved: Ruzicka; Second: De Jesus  
Motion No. 18-06-5186 – Approve Director Expense Reports, May 2018 and February/March 2018 for Director Horan. The motion passed by a 6-0 vote; Director Horan had an excused absence.**

### 9.C Calendar Year Imported Water Sales and Peak Flow Reports, May 2018.

Mr. Litchfield provided the Board with an update on the imported water sales and peak flow reports to date. Through May 2018 a total of 24,444 AF of Tier 1 water has been delivered. Direct deliveries total 20,388 AF and spreading deliveries total 4,056 AF. A comparison of prior year deliveries show that we are delivering 4-5,000 AF greater than last year for this same period. The current peak flow period began on May 1 and will run

through September 30, 2018. A new max peak flow was reached on June 7, 2018 at 104.7 cfs. Peak flows are trending to prior years and staff will continue to monitor and adjust appropriately.

#### **9.D Miramar Operations Report, May 2018**

Mr. Lang provided the Board an update on water quality at the treatment plant. Overall water quality has been consistent with a slight spike of TTHM's (Total Trihalomethanes), during May, and returning to normal levels in June.

Two algae blooms, one at Lake Silverwood, which directly impacts TVMWD, and one at Diamond Valley Lake are being monitored. There are two different blooms. The bloom at Lake Silverwood which is managed by the Department of Water Resources. has byproducts of MIB/Geosmin and impacts taste and odors, however the water is safe to consume. The lake is being treated with Copper Sulfate. The algae bloom at Diamond Valley Lake has byproducts of HAB's (hazardous algae blooms) and tend to form in shallow water and produce cyanotoxins. Cyanotoxins can be hazardous if they come into contact with skin or are ingested. MWD is not taking any deliveries from Diamond Valley Lake at this time, and if deliveries were being taken, required disinfection would occur. All water being delivered through the Miramar Treatment Plant is safe for skin contact and ingestion.

Mr. Lang provided an update on a new constituent, Earthtech which has 5% copper sulfate, that TVMWD is using to treat algae at the Miramar Treatment Plant. This is proving to be a better product than copper sulfate for surface water treatment. TVMWD has recently received approval from the Department of Health to introduce the product at the headworks of the treatment plant.

In closing a review of the special activities were reviewed. There was one unscheduled power outage on May 21, 2018. The generator engaged and ran the power at the plant until regular power could be restored. Mr. Lang provided a PowerPoint update on the following:

- ELAP Lab – passed at 100%. Operators are rotated to complete this testing;
- Reservoir Repair – existing covers installed in 2009. Staff will be working with James to budget for continued maintenance/repair and eventual replacement;
- Chlorine Safety – the chlorine vendor was onsite to provide operators with training on proper handling.

#### **10. Directors' / General Manager Oral Reports**

The Directors reported on activities at various meetings they attend on behalf of TVMWD.

**10.A Local Agency Formation Commission** – Director Ruzicka reported on the June 13, 2018 LAFCO Commissioner meeting. A public hearing regarding the dissolution of Sativa Water occurred. Several agencies were in attendance and expressed interest in taking over the operation of this agency. Mr. Litchfield attended this meeting with Director Ruzicka.

**10.B Main San Gabriel Basin Watermaster** – Director Bowcock reported on the June 6, 2018 meeting. During this meeting the safe yield was set at 150,000/AF for year number one and will be reduced to 130,000/AF for outlying years thereafter.

**10.C Six Basins Watermaster** – No report provided for the May 23, 2018 meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for June 27, 2018.

**10.D San Gabriel Valley Water Quality Authority** – Director Kuhn reported on the May 16, 2018 meeting. There is some money available on the water bond that was voted upon during the last election for groundwater remediation in the San Gabriel Valley. The State Water Resources Control Board has indicated they will not take it to the Attorney General this time. The language will be accepted as written. The bond does require matching funds to use the funding. It is anticipated that up to \$80 million is available for this purpose.

**10.E Chino Basin Watermaster** – Director Kuhn reported on the May 24, 2018 meeting. No update at this time. Waiting on comments from the six agencies that are presently reviewing and providing feedback to possibly settle the safe yield appeal.

**10.F Pomona City Council** – Darron Poulsen and his team are conducting a road show to share the budget and strategic plan with its stakeholders.

**10.G San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments** – Director Goytia reported the next meeting is scheduled for June 21, 2018.

**10.H Metropolitan Water District** – Director De Jesus reported on information from the most recent board and committee meetings on June 11-12, 2018.

- DWR/MWD have been fully transparent on current water quality issues that are occurring in their respective delivery systems.
- The MWD Board will be holding a second vote on the California WaterFix during the July 9-10 meeting.
- Changes to the MWD Board are forthcoming. Central Basin MWD will be appointing a member to replace Bill Gedney. San Diego County Water Authority will be replacing members Pete Lewinger and Elsa Saxod.
- MWD CFO, Gary Breaux has announced his retirement. It has not been determined who the successor will be.

#### **10.I Additional Board Member or Staff Reports / Comments**

- Director Mendoza commented that there are several political issues occurring in the City of Pomona, but he plans to stay focused on water issues.
- Mr. Litchfield provided an update on his progress with meetings with the TVMWD Member Agency retail agencies. He has met with approximately half of the agencies that include: Walnut Valley Water District, Rowland Water District, City of Glendora, City of Pomona, City of La Verne and Golden State Water Company. Meetings are on calendar with Covina Irrigating Company, Mt. San Antonio College, Cal Poly, Suburban Water District and Valencia Heights Water District. Still trying to connect with the City of Covina. A meeting has been scheduled with a consultant on GIS database in an effort to reestablish this for engineering, asset management and more.

### **11. Future Agenda Items**

There were no requests for future agenda items. President Kuhn inquired to the process for scheduling a special meeting if necessary during the summer recess. Mr. Kennedy

informed that a special board meeting can be called by the Board President or a majority of the Board and will be properly agendized and posted pursuant to the Brown Act.

## 12. Adjournment

The Board adjourned at 9:18 am to its next regular meeting scheduled for Wednesday, September 5, 2018 at 8:00 a.m. All regular meetings for July and August 2018 – July 4, July 18, August 1 and August 15, 2018 have been cancelled.

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/s/ Bob Kuhn  
*President, Board of Directors*  
Three Valleys Municipal Water District

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Recorded by: Victoria A. Hahn,  
District Clerk/Executive Assistant