

MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
of the
WEST VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
November 5, 2020

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"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gregory Young	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> remote	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Staff			
Clarence Mansell	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Shamindra Manbahal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Naseem Farooqi	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Peggy Asche	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rosa Gutierrez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Legal Counsel			
Robert Tafoya	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> remote	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

OPENING CEREMONIES

Pledge of Allegiance - Led by Director Dr. Clifford Young
Opening Prayer - Led by Pastor Williams, Ecclesia Church
Call to Order
Roll Call of Board Members

ADOPT AGENDA

Mr. Shamindra Manbahal, Chief Financial & Administrative Officer, suggested that Items No. 10 and 11 be excluded and moved to the next regularly scheduled Board meeting. Hearing no further discussion, Director Dr. Clifford Young motioned to adopt the agenda removing Items No. 10 and 11 from the agenda and moving them to the next regularly scheduled Board meeting. Vice President Kyle Crowther second the motion and the following vote was taken:

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

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. Naseem Farooqi, Public Affairs Manager, read an email received from Linda Gonzalez, stating that she is now the new President of the Ratepayer's Association. Ms. Gonzalez addressed the Board in her letter regarding concerns for Agenda Item No. 5, Ordinance No. 86. President Hawkins stated that he does not normally comment on public participation; however, he would like to clarify that Ordinance No. 86 is part of several Reforms that the District recently approved. One significant item that was passed is that the Board of Directors will not be receiving additional compensation this year. Also, for the first time, there was a Board of Directors Policies and Procedures Manual approved. There will not be additional long-term care benefits for Board members. Ordinance No. 86 is replacing No. 85, which has been in effect for several years and there are no new additional benefits included in this Ordinance. Ordinance No. 86 was part of the Reform package that compliments the Board Policies and Procedures Manual and the only reason it was brought back to the Board for approval.

President Hawkins thanked June Hayes, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District, for joining tonight's meeting and congratulated her on her election.

PRESENTATION

- Update on the Oliver P. Roemer Water Filtration Expansion.

Linda Jadeski, Engineering Services Manager, provided a brief update on the Oliver P. Roemer Water Filtration Expansion Project. The WIFIA letter of interest was submitted on October 15, 2020 and the District is currently starting the loan application process for an SRF loan. There are several detailed project elements, such as: Pretreatment 30" effluent pipe, influent blending ponds operation, new Trident process building, new influent and effluent pump stations, UV disinfection upgrade, electrical improvements, GAC operation changes, backwash water recycling and sludge ponds improvements. Some other areas that are being looked at are the location of the influent pump station and other equipment to best utilize the existing facilities and maximize the piping that is currently onsite. They are considering truck access for the new filter building, chemical loading, structural, piping and electrical. The next steps are pretreatment stress testing, solids handling piloting, optimizing backwash, clarifier flush procedures and begin detailed elements of the expansion. This concluded Mrs. Jadeski's update and she asked if there were any questions. At this time, no questions were asked.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Director Dr. Clifford Young motioned to adopt Items No. 1 through 9 and Vice President Kyle Crowther second the motion. Hearing no discussion, the following vote was taken:

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

1. **AUGUST 20, 2020 – REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES.**
2. **SEPTEMBER 17, 2020 – REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES.**
3. **SEPTEMBER 22, 2020 - SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES.**
4. **OCTOBER 1, 2020 – REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES.**
5. **ADOPTING ORDINANCE NO. 86, AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WEST VALLEY WATER DISTRICT AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 85 WITH RESPECT TO COMPENSATION AND POLICIES RELATED TO BOARD ACTIVITIES.**
6. **RELEASE OF OVERLYING EASEMENT WITHIN LOT 126 OF TRACT 20018.**
7. **NON-INTERFERENCE LETTER FOR PARCEL MAP 19945.**
8. **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH CLINICAL LABORATORY OF SAN BERNARDINO, INC. FOR ANALYTICAL LABORATORY SERVICES.**
9. **APPROVING SALE OF WATER IN STORAGE IN THE CHINO GROUNDWATER BASIN TO CUCAMONGA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT.**
10. **APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO TAFOYA LAW GROUP, APC, FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED AUGUST 2020, INVOICE NO. 20-1008; \$21,419.70.**

The Board voted unanimously to remove Items No. 11 and 12 until the next regularly scheduled Board meeting during the adoption of the Agenda.

11. **APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO TAFOYA LAW GROUP, APC, FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED SEPTEMBER 2020, INVOICE NO. 20-1009; \$22,534.08.**

The Board voted unanimously to remove Items No. 11 and 12 until the next regularly scheduled Board meeting during the adoption of the Agenda.

BUSINESS MATTERS

None

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 Junes Hayes on her election and stated that he is looking forward to continuing to work with her.

2. Legal Counsel

- See comments below.

3. General Manager

- Mr. Shamindra Manbahal reported that he will provide a bullet point of what has transpired since the last Board meeting:
 - Started the SRF Loan package for the Roemer Expansion, which will take approximately six months to compile.
 - Budget book is being printed now and should be published by the end of the month.
 - HR Risk Manager recruitment closed November 2nd.
 - Request to renew our Water Spreading Agreement which will expire March 2021.
 - The calendar contest distribution.
 - Anticipating a turkey donation drive for Thanksgiving.
 - Christmas toy donation contribution with boxes throughout the District.

CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Robert Tafoya reported out of closed session stating that several items were considered; however, the Board voted 5 to 0 appointing Shamindra Manbahal as Acting General Manager of the West Valley Water District.

In addition, the Board voted 5 to 0 to approve and receive the amount of the appraisal for the Zone 6 Reservoir Site, APN No. 0239-081-01.

Lastly, the Board voted 5 to 0 to appoint Van M. Jew as the Assistant General Manager over Operations and Engineering.


- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION – Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: Number of Cases: Five (5).

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- CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (54957.6) DISTRICT NEGOTIATORS; Shamindra Manbahal. Robert Tafoya, Union Negotiators; re: International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 12.
- CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATIONS (54956.8) - Appraisal for Zone 6 Reservoir Site, APN No. 0239-081-01.
- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957, Title(s): Assistant General Manager.
- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION – Pursuant to Paragraph One (1) of Subdivision (d) of the Government Code Section 54956.9 Case Name: Clifford Young Et Al V. Robert Tafoya Et AL Case No. 19STCV05677.
- **ADJOURN**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.



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

ATTEST:



Peggy Asche, Board Secretary

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