

**VALLEY SANITARY DISTRICT
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
May 27, 2014**

A regular Board Meeting of the Governing Board of Valley Sanitary District (VSD) was held at the District offices, 45-500 Van Buren Street, Indio, California, on Tuesday, May 27, 2014.

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL

1. VICE PRESIDENT FRIESTAD called the meeting to order at 12:31 p.m. Those in attendance were as follows:

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Richard Friestad, Merritt Wiseman, William Teague, and Mike Duran

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Douglas A. York

STAFF PRESENT: Joseph Glowitz, General Manager, Holly Gould, and Ron Buchwald

GUESTS: Roy Grimes – CB & T Wealth Management
Nick Thompson – California Bank & Trust

MINUTES

2. Consideration of the May 13, 2014 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

ACTION TAKEN:

MOTION: DIRECTOR TEAGUE made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Board Meeting held May 13, 2014. DIRECTOR DURAN seconded the motion. Motion carried by the following vote: 4 yes

MINUTE ORDER NO. 2014-2285

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments or correspondence items to present to the Board.

NON-HEARING ITEMS

3. California Bank & Trust Presentation

Nick Thompson from California Bank & Trust and Roy Grimes from CB & T Wealth Management presented the Board cost saving options for the District's Operating Account and Wealth Management.

4. Developer Request to Waive a Capacity Fee

James Fortson of Oats Investments requested that the Board waive the connection capacity fee for the addition of two bathrooms that will be installed in two newly created suites. The District's publicly adopted connection capacity fee policy states that one full connection fee is required for each business that has its own bathroom in order to bill each unit as a separate unit. Due to this policy the request has been denied.

ACTION TAKEN:

MOTION:

DIRECTOR DURAN made a motion to reject a Developer's request to waive the capacity connection fee of \$4,265 for each new bathroom installed in four newly created building suites. DIRECTOR TEAGUE seconded the motion. Motion carried by the following vote: 4 yes

MINUTE ORDER NO. 2014-2286

5. Approval of Contract with Municipal Financial Services

The District is currently working with Municipal Financial Services to perform an independent rate review of the operating sewer use fee. The fee has not been independently reviewed for some time and in order to remain compliant with Proposition 218, a review is necessary to have rates that are fair, equitable and defensible. An integrated computerized rate model will be the result of the study as well as recommendations on user classifications and the rate process.

ACTION TAKEN:

MOTION:

DIRECTOR TEAGUE made a motion to approve the proposal from Municipal Financial Services to perform a Capacity Connection Fee Study and authorize the General Manager to execute an agreement with Municipal Financial Services for an amount not to exceed \$14,960. DIRECTOR DURAN seconded the motion. Motion carried by the following vote: 4 yes

MINUTE ORDER NO. 2014-2287

6. Front Wall and Entrance Improvement Project – Request for Additional Design Services

Ron Buchwald reported that additional research on the types of wrought iron fence was required due to different fence material options. Additional survey work was also required due to pavement realignment after the installation of the new pavement by Archer Western. The City of Indio is requesting that the additional right of way on Van Buren be dedicated by easement from VSD to the City, which was not included in the original contract. Staff also solicited a proposal from Urrutia Architects for the design of the wrought iron fence and gates including the required structural calculations needed for the complete design.

ACTION TAKEN:

MOTION:

DIRECTOR TEAGUE made a motion to authorize the General Manager to enter into an addendum to the Front Wall Replacement Contract with Fomotor engineering, Inc. for a not to exceed fee of \$6,049 and to enter into a new contact with Urrutia Architects for a not to exceed fee of \$9,600. DIRECTOR DURAN seconded the motion. Motion carried by the following vote: 4 yes

MINUTE ORDER NO. 2014-2288

7. Manager's Notes

MR. GLOWITZ reported that Anchor Bank had acknowledged the District's check to pay off the balance of the S&D Reimbursement Agreement. The District's \$4.8 million from the county has been received, transferring \$3.5 million into LAIF. The Wetlands project is still underway, working in the last cell. EVRA meeting is scheduled for June 3, 2014 at City Hall.

DIRECTOR'S ITEMS

Director's items not listed are for discussion only; no action will be taken without an urgency vote pursuant to State law.

CONSENT ITEMS

8. Approval of Summary of Cash and Investments for April, 2014.

7. Approval of Expenditures for May 8, 2014 to May 21, 2014.

Check numbers 31344 to 31397 totaling \$223,175.86 were issued. Payroll checks numbers 8733 to 8739 totaling \$4,633.06 and payroll transfers of \$70,485.72 were also issued.

ACTION TAKEN:

MOTION:

DIRECTOR WISEMAN made a motion to acknowledge the Summary of Cash and Investments for April, 2014 and to pay the disbursement items as presented. DIRECTOR DURAN seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote: 4 yes.

MINUTE ORDER NO. 2014-2289

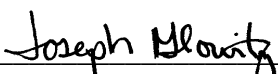
INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

The Board received and acknowledged the copy of the Combined Monthly Account Summary for Expenses incurred by the District in April, 2014.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m., and the next Regular Board Meeting will be held June 10, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,



Joseph Glowitz, General Manager
Valley Sanitary District