VALLEY SANITARY DISTRICT MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING

December 27, 2016

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, December 27, 2016.

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL

1. PRESIDENT YORK called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m. Those in attendance were as follows:

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Douglas A. York, Mike Duran, Merritt Wiseman, William Teague, and

Eric Davenport

DIRECTORS ABSENT: None

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

GUESTS: None

CONSENT ITEMS

a. Consideration of the December 13, 2016 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

b. Approval of Summary of Cash & Investments for November, 2016

c. Approval of Expenditures for December 8, 2016 to December 21, 2016

Check numbers 34529 to 34569 totaling \$237,029.41 and a transfer of \$60,563.67 were issued, as well as \$86,267.36 in payroll transfers.

ACTION TAKEN:

MOTION:

DIRECTOR DURAN made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Board Meeting held December 13, 2016, to approve the Summary of Cash & Investments for November, 2016 and to pay the disbursement items as presented. DIRECTOR DAVENPORT seconded the motion. Motion carried by the following vote: 5 yes

MINUTE ORDER NO. 2016-2623

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

NON-HEARING ITEMS

2. Valley Sanitary District – Audit Services Contract

In 2014, the Board approved the District to contract with The Pun Group, LLP, to audit the annual financial statements for the Valley Sanitary District for the three (3) years ended June 30, 2014, 2015, and 2016. Based on our experience with The Pun Group and following best practices of rotating audit firms every five (5) years, we recommend requesting a proposal to extend the Audit Services Contract with the Pun Group for the next two (2) years.

ACTION TAKEN:

MOTION:

DIRECTOR TEAGUE made a motion to authorize the General Manager to request a proposal to extend the Audit Services Contract from The Pun Group, LLP of Irvine, California for the next two (2) years. DIRECTOR DURAN seconded the motion. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Director(s) Davenport, Duran, Teague, Wiseman, York

NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

MINUTE ORDER NO. 2016-2624

3. Coachella Valley Regional Water Management Group – Colorado Integrated Regional Water Management Partners Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

In an effort to be more inclusive and fair statewide, Department of Water Resources (DWR) has requested that the next round of grant funding for disadvantaged communities be grouped in a larger regional area than our local Coachella Valley Regional Water Management Group (CVRWMG). The CVRWMG is part of the Colorado Regional Funding Area. Two other groups in this funding area include the Mojave Regional Water Management Group and the Imperial Regional Water Management Group. The three RWMGs have been working together to disperse the next round of grant funding for our funding area. This group collectively is called the Colorado River Integrated Regional Water Management Partners (Colorado River IRWMP). A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) has been created by and for the Colorado River IRWMP for use among member agencies when a grant funded project is shared among more than one agency (which is typical).

ACTION TAKEN:

MOTION:

DIRECTOR DURAN made a motion to authorize the General Manager to sign the Colorado River Integrated Water Management Partners Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). DIRECTOR DAVENPORT seconded the motion. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Approved: January 10, 2017

AYES: Director(s) Davenport, Duran, Teague, Wiseman, York

NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

MINUTE ORDER NO. 2016-2625

4. General Manager's Report

The interconnection infrastructure for the Solar Project is now complete and waiting to be signed off by Imperial Irrigation District. Once the Permit to Operate has been issued the system can be turned on. Two solar panels were stolen. Increased lighting and surveillance cameras will be installed in an effort keep this from

happening again. The Requa Project has made its way to College of the Desert. The recent rains have slowed construction a bit. A meeting will be held mid-January at the Senior Center to inform the public of the traffic plan and shut-downs for that area. Interviews for the Environmental Compliance Technician have been completed.

DIRECTORS' ITEMS

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

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

The Board received and acknowledged the copy of the Combined Monthly Account Summary for expenses incurred by the District in November, 2016.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 1:36 p.m., and the next Regular Board Meeting will be held January 10, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Blowitz, General Manager Valley Senitory District

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