

VALLEY SANITARY DISTRICT
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
June 25, 2019

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, June 25, 2019.

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL

1. PRESIDENT MIKE DURAN called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Those in attendance were as follows:

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Mike Duran, William Teague, Dennis Coleman, Debra Canero and Scott Sear

DIRECTORS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Beverli A. Marshall, General Manager, Holly Gould, Ron Buchwald, Joanne Padgham, and Branden Rodriguez

GUESTS: None

CONSENT ITEMS

- a. Consideration of the June 11, 2019 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- b. Approval of Cash and Investments for May 2019
- c. Approval of Expenditures for June 6, 2019 to June 19, 2019

Check numbers 37304 to 37341 totaling \$101,950.15 and transfers of \$116,262.43 were issued.

ACTION TAKEN:

MOTION: VICE PRESIDENT TEAGUE made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Meeting held June 11, 2019, approve the Summary of Cash & Investments for May 2019, and pay the disbursement items as presented. DIRECTOR SEAR seconded the motion. Motion carried by the following vote: 5 yes

MINUTE ORDER NO. 2019-2913

PUBLIC COMMENTS

This is the time set aside for public comment on any item not appearing in the agenda. Please notify the Secretary in advance of the meeting of you wish to speak on a non-hearing item.

NON-HEARING ITEMS

2. Request Authorization for Payment of Alleged Violations of Order No. R7-2010-0019 Issued by the RWQCB and Waiver of Right to a Hearing

The District received a Conditional Settlement Offer from the Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB), dated June 6, 2019. There were three (3) alleged violations of order No. R7-2010-0019, NPDES No. CA0104477, for which the District is subject to civil liabilities pursuant to Water Code Sections 13385 and/or 13385.1. The violations occurred September 20, 2018, for the pond effluent exceeding the weekly average Carbonaceous BOD (cBOD) limitation of 60 mg/L; September 30, 2018, exceeding the average monthly cBOD limitation of 40 mg/L; and January 10, 2019, for the pond effluent exceeding the weekly average Carbonaceous BOD (cBOD) limitation of 60 mg/L. Each violation carries a minimum penalty of \$3,000.

ACTION TAKEN:

MOTION: DIRECTOR CANERO made a motion to authorize the General Manager to pay \$9,000 for alleged violations issued by Regional Water Quality Control Board and authorize the General Manger to waive our right to a hearing. SECRETARY COLEMAN seconded the motion. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

MINUTE ORDER NO. 2019-2914

AYES: Director(s) Canero, Coleman, Duran, Sear, Teague
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

3. Secondary Security Fence Panels Pay Application Number 3

The Secondary Security Fence Panel Project is complete. It is recommended to approve the retention payment of \$7,182 to Tremblay Iron Works.

ACTION TAKEN:

MOTION: SECRETARY COLEMAN made a motion to approve Pay Application No. 3 for retention to Tremblay Iron Works for \$7,182. VICE PRESIDENT TEAGUE seconded the motion. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

MINUTE ORDER NO. 2019-2915

AYES: Director(s) Canero, Coleman, Duran, Sear, Teague
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

4. Award of Contract – Sewer Siphon Replacement Crossing Coachella Stormwater Channel to Carollo Engineers, Inc.

On April 23, 2019, the Board authorized the General Manager to enter into a contract with Carollo Engineers, Inc. (Carollo) for a not to exceed price of \$125,534 for the preliminary design of the replacement of the sewer siphon. Adjacent to Valley Sanitary District's (VSD) sewer siphon is an Indio Water Authority (IWA) water main that was also exposed. IWA is planning on using Carollo as well to provide a preliminary design to replace the water main. During our project kick off meeting with Carollo and IWA, it was suggested that a complete survey be performed now instead of at the completion of preliminary design in order to answer some questions on alignment, property right of ways, and easements. Since this survey would benefit both agencies, it was agreed that this cost should be split between them. Currently, VSD has a contract with Carollo and therefore it was decided that the survey costs would be added to VSD's contract with Carollo with half being reimbursed by IWA at the completion of the survey work.

ACTION TAKEN:

MOTION: SECRETARY COLEMAN made a motion to authorize the General Manager to execute a contract addendum to Carollo Engineers, Inc. to provide surveying services for the sewer siphon replacement project not to exceed \$25,515. VSD is splitting the cost of this additional work with the Indio Water Authority (IWA) and will receive \$12,757.50 from them at the completion of the survey work. DIRECTOR CANERO seconded the motion. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

MINUTE ORDER NO. 2019-2916

AYES: Director(s) Canero, Coleman, Duran, Sear, Teague
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

5. Resolution to Adopt the 2019 Sewer System Management Plan to Comply with the Statewide General waste Discharge Requirements

On May 2, 2006, the State Water Resources Control Board adopted a General Waste Discharge Requirement (WDR) for all public sanitary collection systems in California with more than 1-mile of sewer mains. As part of the WDR, a Sewer System Management Plan (SSMP) was to be created and then approved by the Board of Directors through a public hearing. Thereafter, the SSMP is to be audited by staff every two years to confirm the SSMP meets the needs of the collection system agency in order to reduce all sanitary sewer overflows. The SSMP is to be updated and revised as needed and approved by the Board every five years from the date of the original approval. The Board originally approved the SSMP in July of 2009 and approved updates to the document made by the District in 2014.

“A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF VALLEY SANITARY DISTRICT ADOPTING THE UPDATED VALLEY SANITARY DISTRICT SEWER SYSTEM MANAGEMENT PLAN (SSMP), AND AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER AND DISTRICT ENGINEER TO SUBMIT THE ADOPTED SSMP TO THE STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD”

ACTION TAKEN:**MOTION:**

SECRETARY COLEMAN made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2019-1120 Adopting the Updated Valley Sanitary District Sewer System Management Plan (SSMP) and Authorizing the General Manager and District Engineer to Submit the Adopted SSMP to the State Water Resources Control Board. VICE PRESIDENT TEAGUE seconded the motion. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-1120

AYES: Director(s) Canero, Coleman, Duran, Sear, Teague
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

6. Staff Notes

MS. MARSHALL stated she is looking forward to working with Board and Staff and thanked the Board for the opportunity to be a part of Valley Sanitary District. SECRETARY COLEMAN requested a status update on projects that the Board has approved.

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.

SECRETARY COLEMAN stated how nice it is to have MS. MARSHALL come aboard and appreciated the Welcome BBQ that staff hosted. DIRECTOR SEAR thanked MR. BUCHWALD and Staff for their hard work and efforts during the transition between General Managers. SECRETARY COLEMAN requested staff come back to the Board with a discussion on the Voters Rights Act and how it will affect the District.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Informational items are for information only; no action will be taken on these items.

- Combined Monthly Account Summary for Expenses for May 2019
- Monthly Income Summary for May 2019

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 1:54 p.m., and the next board meeting will be a Special Meeting held July 16, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

Holly Gould

Holly Gould, Clerk of the Board
Valley Sanitary District