

**MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 2006
8:00 A.M.**

At 8:11 a.m. on January 23, 2006, the Board of Directors met in the Board Room of the District office at 549 East Sierra Madre Avenue, Azusa, California.

CALL TO ORDER:

President Reichenberger called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL:

Directors Present: Leung, Love, Montano, Reichenberger, Sunada

Directors Absent: None

ALSO PRESENT:

Darin Kasamoto, General Manager; John Chapman, Assistant Manager; Yolanda McVicar, Bookkeeper, Wayne Lemieux, Attorney; Tom Coleman, Deputy Director of Utilities, City of Alhambra; Chet Anderson, Assistant Director of Water, City of Azusa; Carl Haglund, Dolphin Group; Bruce Cash, United Strategies.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON AGENDA ITEMS

Tom Coleman reported their VOC project will most likely go out to bid after tonight's City Council meeting.

Chet Anderson reported the Fly Fishers Club of Orange County involvement with the Los Angeles County River Master Plan. They want frequent releases of water from the San Gabriel dams.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

On motion of Director Love, seconded by Director Sunada, and unanimously carried, the following items on the consent calendar were approved and further reading thereof waived:

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 9, 2006

Disbursements of the Revolving Fund Check Nos. 9169 - 9174 dated January 19, 2006 in the amount of \$34,158.54.

Disbursements of the General Fund Check Nos. 29697 - 29721 dated January 23, 2006 in the amount of \$1,327,959.13.

ACTION ITEMS:

Nominations for Special District Representative & Alternate for LAFCO

No action taken on this matter. Received and filed.

Final Selection of New District Logo

On motion of Director Leung, seconded by Director Montano, and carried unanimously, the logo attached to these minutes was selected as the new District logo.

Consider District Representative on Washington D.C. Delegation to Secure Funding for Local Water Projects

On motion of Director Leung, seconded by Director Love, and unanimously carried, it was approved for Director Love and/or Director Sunada to attend the Washington D.C. delegation, along with a one-time approval for up to one councilmember from each of our four member cities to attend, with reasonable and necessary expenses reimbursed per District's Administrative Code.

Discuss Encroachment on District Easement by Target Corporation

The General Manager presented a letter addressed to Target Corporation's engineering firm dated August 21, 2003, regarding encroachment on the District's easement. His recommendation is to deny any request from Target Corporation to leave the transformers in place and instruct Attorney Lemieux to write letters to Target Corporation, United Strategies and Southern California Edison Company threatening legal action if the transformers are not removed.

The General Manager introduced Bruce Cash of United Strategies, representing Target Corporation, who had requested an audience with the Board to provide a compromise for the Board's consideration.

(Director Leung exited the meeting at 9:16 a.m.)

After discussion, on motion of Director Love, seconded by Director Sunada, and unanimously carried, it was approved to deny the request to leave any transformers, water lines, and gas lines on the District's easement; the Attorney was instructed to draft a letter to Target Corporation; and Staff was directed to set a deadline for removal of the utilities pending on results of a corrosion study to evaluate any interim, potential damage to the pipeline. It was further approved that the District shall be reimbursed for the cost of the corrosion study.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Report of the Attorney

There was nothing to report.

The Report of the State Water Contractors

The General Manager reported the following items: Annual water allocation by DWR has increased from 65% to 70%;

FERC License is coming to a settlement agreement in the next couple of months; he will prepare a report and recommendation;

With 70% water allocation and the District's request of 12,000 acre feet for 2006, the District will participate in the Turn Back Pool A program.

Report of the General Manager

The General Manager reported on the following items:

Proposition 50 tentative agreement: the District will join the coalition but will be our own sub-region and have our own steering committee along with Three Valleys M.W.D., Foothill Water Agency, and Water Quality Authority. RMC will hire a consultant to do the plan, and our steering committee will monitor the plan.

M.W.D. is close to finalization of the Sierra Madre agreement.

As approved at the January 9, 2006, Board of Directors meeting, the District has entered as a sponsor for the Monterey Park Cherry Blossom Festival and purchased four banners with the District's name and "Conserve Water."

Report of the Assistant Manager

The Assistant Manager emphasized that the Target Corporation encroachment on our easement includes water and gas lines.

He reported the District is still flowing water for Three Valleys through the Live Oak Turnout.

DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Director Sunada reported he has been asked by a Masonic Lodge Association to present a history of water in California through a series of lectures.

Informational Items

- John O'Malley E-Mail with Governor's "Strategic Growth Plan Briefing Packet"
- ACWA State Budget Advisory on Governor's 2006-07 budget
- Around Alhambra article on ULFT presentation to Alhambra Football
- Citywide News for Business article "Water District Honor Students for Water Conservation"

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, upon motion made, seconded, and carried, the meeting was duly adjourned at 9:45 a.m. The next meeting of the Board will be on Monday, February 13, 2006, at 8:00 a.m. in the Board Room of the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District.

President

ATTEST:

Secretary

Attachment: New District Logo