

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
VICTOR VALLEY WASTEWATER RECLAMATION AUTHORITY (VWVRA)
March 16, 2017**

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Jim Kennedy called the meeting to order at 8:00 am; in Conference Room D at Victorville City Hall, located at 14343 Civic Drive, Victorville California, with the following members present:

**CITY OF VICTORVILLE
HESPERIA WATER DISTRICT
ORO GRANDE (CSA 42) AND
SPRING VALLEY LAKE (CSA 64)
TOWN OF APPLE VALLEY**

**Jim Kennedy, Chair
Russell Blewett, Vice Chair
Jeff Rigney, Secretary

Art Bishop, Alternate Treasurer**

VWVRA Staff and Legal Counsel:

Logan Olds, General Manager	Kristi Casteel, Secretary to GM/Board
Piero Dallarda, Legal Counsel (BB&K)	Alton Anderson, Construction Manager
Angela Valles, Director of Finance	Chieko Keagy, Accounting Supervisor
Eugene Davis, Acting Director of Operations	Robert Townsend, EC Inspector
David Wylie, Communications & Safety Officer	Xiwei Wang, Accountant
Robert Coromina, Director of Administration	Ryan Love, Lead Operator
Latif Laari, EC & Regulatory Supervisor	

Others Present:

Keith Metzler, City of Victorville	Nils Bentsen, City of Hesperia
Walter Linn, Rep for Congressman Cook	Mike Cady, Town of Apple Valley

Mike Fluery, Carollo

CLOSED SESSION

PUBLIC COMMENTS- CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

Chair Kennedy asked if there were any comments from the public regarding any item on the Closed Session Agenda. Hearing none, he called for a motion to enter into Closed Session.

Commissioner Blewett made a motion to enter into Closed Session, which was seconded by Commissioner Bishop and approved by unanimous voice vote.

REGULAR SESSION

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Kennedy called the meeting to order at 9:16 am.

REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

Nothing to Report

PUBLIC COMMENTS- REGULAR SESSION AGENDA

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

- 5. Possible conflict of interest issues**
- 6. General Managers Report**
- 7. Article: WWEMA Window- A new Paradigm For Funding**

CONSENT CALENDAR:

- 8. Approve February 2017 Disbursement Registers**
- 9. Approve Minutes from the February 16, 2017 Regular Meeting**

Commissioner Blewett made a motion to approve the consent calendar, seconded by Commissioner Rigney and approved by roll call vote.

Chair Kennedy: Yes

Commissioner Blewett: Yes

Commissioner Rigney: Yes

Commissioner Bishop: Yes

REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS:

10. Presentation: Preliminary Analysis For Desert Knolls Wash (Mike Fluery- Carollo)

Mike Fluery with Carollo gave a presentation on the preliminary analysis for Desert Knolls Wash

Manager Olds stated that at the last Board meeting, the Board authorized staff to issue the request for proposals. At this stage, staff will advertise an RFP to retain engineering services. Once the spring survey is complete and the design is started, staff will come back before the Board to award to an engineering firm and address the final questions related to pigging and odor control.

ACTION & DISCUSSION ITEMS:

11. Recommendation to Approve Resolution 2017-04: Appreciation of Service for Steve Schindler

Commissioner Blewett made a motion to approve the Recommendation, seconded by Commissioner Bishop

Chair Kennedy: Yes

Commissioner Blewett: Yes

Commissioner Rigney: Yes

Commissioner Bishop: Yes

12. Recommendation to Approve Design of the Stormwater bypass for the WWTP

Manager Olds asked the Board if they could recall the process used to address Lahontan's concerns with the downstream monitoring site over a period of four years? This is basically the same kind of situation. This addresses certain issues and it goes back to 2012. This has been put off due to the number of capital improvements project that VVWRA has had. Lahontan is now starting to push this. Staff is recommending that we move forward with this project and budget and start it next fiscal year. There is one issue, the person who is familiar with this project and has done all of the engineering for it is now with Michael Baker. Manager Olds asked to amend the recommendation before the Board to retain the professional design engineering services of Michael Baker for the final design not Davis Evans.

Commissioner Blewett made a motion to approve the Recommendation as amended, seconded by Commissioner Rigney

Chair Kennedy: Yes

Commissioner Blewett: Yes

Commissioner Rigney: Yes

Commissioner Bishop: Yes

13. Recommendation to Approve Proposal to Provide Professional Engineering Services for VVWRA Energy Use Evaluation

It was the consensus of the Board to keep the numbers and logic that was used on Manager Olds spread sheets that were reviewed by the Engineering Committee.

For lack of motion, this item fails

STAFF/PROFESSIONAL SERVICES REPORTS:

- 14. Financial and Investment Report – February 2017**
- 15. Operations & Maintenance Report – February 2017**
- 16. Environmental Compliance Department Reports – February 2017**
- 17. Septage Receiving Facility Reports – February 2017**
- 18. Safety & Communications – February 2017**

NEXT VVWRA BOARD MEETING:

Thursday, April 20, 2017 – Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Leave Policy

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Blewett would like to see vote to direct VVWRA attorney to file a claim with the City of Victorville for all monetary and other damages based on the advisory opinion that the Board has received, and ask that it be completed in 30 days.

VVWRA Regular Meeting Minutes
Thursday March 16, 2017
Page 5

Also, Commissioner Blewett asked Manager Olds to place an item on the agenda for the formation of adhoc committee to consist of himself, Jeff Rigney, Logan Olds, and Piero Dallarda. The purpose of the committee will be to look at all options open to VVWRA to make Victorville comply with advisory opinion including mitigation.

Manager Olds stated that both items will be placed under closed session and opened session under the action item calendar

ADJOURNMENT

APPROVAL:

DATE: 5/18/17
Approved by VVWRA Board

BY: 
Jeff Rigney, Secretary
VVWRA Board of Commissioners