

MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
of the
WEST VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
December 15, 2022

OPENING CEREMONIES

Call to Order - President Hawkins called the Regular Board Meeting of the West Valley Water District to order at 6:03 p.m.

Roll Call of Board Members

	Present	Excused	Absent
Board of Directors			
Channing Hawkins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gregory Young	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dan Jenkins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Angela Garcia	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kelvin Moore	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Staff			
Van Jew	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Haydee Sainz	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nancy M. Albitre	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Linda Jadeski	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jon Stephenson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _remote	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Joanne Chan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Albert Clinger	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jose Velasquez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Socorro Pantaleon	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Legal Counsel			
Vincent C. Ewing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _remote	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Pledge of Allegiance – Vice President Young
Opening Prayer – Pastor Marlon Jackson, Loveland Church

OATH OF OFFICE

Fontana City Council Member Peter Garcia administered the Oath of Office to his wife Angela Garcia who were joined by their children.

President Hawkins administered the Oath of Office to Kelvin Moore who was joined by his wife and friends.

Vice President Young administered the Oath of Office to Dan Jenkins who was joined by his wife and children.

President Hawkins congratulated the elected Board Members and welcomed them to the Board of Directors.

ADOPT AGENDA

Vice President Greg Young motioned to adopt agenda and Director Kelvin Moore seconded the motion. The following vote was taken:

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Gregory Young, Vice President
SECONDER:	Kelvin Moore, Director
AYES:	Dan Jenkins, Angela Garcia, Kevin Moore, Gregory Young, Channing Hawkins

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Nancy Albitre, Acting Board Secretary, stated that no requests were received to speak via email. President Channing Hawkins inquired if anyone from the public would like to speak. There were no public comments, therefor President Hawkins closed the public comment period.

President Hawkins then commented to General Manager Van Jew to be aware of the changes to the Brown Act that will take effect in January.

PRESENTATIONS

None.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Director Dan Jenkins motioned to adopt the consent calendar and Director Angela Garcia seconded the motion. The following vote was taken:

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dan Jenkins, Director
SECONDER:	Angela Garcia, Director
AYES:	Kelvin Moore, Angela Garcia, Dan Jenkins, Gregory Young, Channing Hawkins

- 1. October 15, 2022 - Special Board Meeting Minutes.

2. October 19, 2022 - Special Board Meeting Minutes.
3. October 20, 2022 - Regular Board Meeting Minutes.
4. October 27, 2022 - Special Board Meeting Minutes.
5. November 3, 2022 – Regular Board Meeting Minutes.
6. November 17, 2022 – Regular Board Meeting Minutes.
7. November 18 & 19, 2022 - Special Board Meeting Minutes.
8. Rejection of Claim #23-0317.
9. Approval of Employment Agreement with Elvia Dominguez for the Position of Board Secretary.
10. Rescheduling of the January 5, 2023, Board Meeting.
11. Grant of Easement at Well 5A.
12. Approval of Payment to Willie W. Williams for Professional Services, for August 2022, Invoice No. 715 for \$5,615.00.

BUSINESS MATTERS

13. Annual Board of Directors Reorganization.

General Manager Van Jew announced that per the recently updated Section 7.4 of the West Valley Water District Board of Directors Policies and Procedures, the reorganization of the Board of Directors is now in order and the Board of Director's may elect a President and Vice President at its discretion.

Appoint Vice President Greg Young as President of the West Valley District Board of Directors

Due to the rotation of officers being set so that each Board Member has an opportunity to serve in a leadership role, President Hawkins announced he will be passing the torch of President to Vice President Greg Young per Section 7.4 of the West Valley Water District Board of Directors Policies and Procedures, no vote was taken.

Newly appointed President Greg Young formally thanked former President Hawkins and presented a Certificate of Recognition for all his work and accomplishments. Then announced the vacancy of the office of Vice president and requested a motion or discussion of the open seat.

Director Moore nominated Director Dan Jenkins for the office of Vice President with a second by Director Hawkins.

Director Hawkins then requested a substitute motioned to appoint Director Angela Garcia as Vice President for the West Valley Water District.

Director Angela Garcia and Director Dan Jenkins both thanked the Board and expressed their interest of being Vice President of the West Valley Water.

The previous motions were struck down and President Young request a new motion, Director Kelvin Moore nominated Dan Jenkins for the office of Director as Vice President for the West Valley Water District and Director Channing Hawkins second the motion.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Kelvin Moore, Director
SECONDER:	Channing Hawkins, Director
AYES:	Kelvin Moore, Angela Garcia, Dan Jenkins, Greg Young, Channing Hawkins

REPORTS - LIMITED TO 5 MINUTES MAXIMUM (Presentations or handouts must be provided to Board Members in advance of the Board Meeting).

1. Board of Directors

President Young expressed his gratitude and appreciation for the opportunity of becoming West Valley Water District Board of Directors President.

Director Angela Garcia expressed her appreciation to the staff for the 2022 accomplishments and congratulated the newly appointed President and Vice President of the Board.

Vice President Jenkins wanted to thank his wife, family, and staff for their support. He also wanted to express his appreciation to former President Channing Hawkins for his insight and leadership, for Director Kelvin Moore for his additional support during his campaign, and Director Angela Garcia for supporting his appointment as Vice President.

Director Kelvin Moore wanted to express his appreciation to his wife, friends, and family for their support during the election and for the long hours. He also thanked former President Channing Hawkins and his wife Daphne Hawkins for their advice and support.

Director Channing Hawkins expressed his gratitude and appreciation to his wife Daphne for the support during his tenure as President.

President Young conveyed his appreciation to the Board of Directors and wanted to wish all the staff Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays.

2. General Manager

Acting General Manager, congratulated the new Board of Directors, President, and Vice President and commented on upcoming community events; announced that 4 proposals were received for the Financial plan and Cost of Service Study and results will be presented at an update Finance Committee meeting; announced that he would be taking he first week of January off; and lastly announced two awards given to the District by Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA), Presidents Special Recognition Award, and Rising star award.

3. General Counsel

No report given.

RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION

The Board entered into Closed Session at 6:03 p.m. as provided in the Ralph M. Brown Act Government Code Section 54956.8 to discuss the following items listed on the agenda:

- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION - Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Paragraph (2) of Subdivision (D) of Section 54956.9(B): Number of Cases: Two (2).
- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - Pursuant to Paragraph One (1) of Subdivision (d) of the Government Code Section 54956.9 Case Name: Diana Gunn. vs. West Valley Water District, Case No. CIVSB2117195.
- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - pursuant to Paragraph one (1) of Subdivision (d) of the Government Code Section 54956.9 Case Name: Patricia Romero vs. West Valley Water District, Case No. CIVDS2024402.
- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - Pursuant to Paragraph One (1) of Subdivision (d) of the Government Code Section 54956.9 Case Name: Nadia Loukeh. vs West Valley Water District, Case No. CIVSB2116242.
- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT - Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957, Title(s) Chief Financial Officer.
- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT - Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957, Title(s) Board Secretary.
- CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957 - Public Employee Performance Evaluation - General Counsel.

RECONVENE THE MEETING

The Board reconvened the meeting at 6:51 p.m.

Mr. Vincent C. Ewing, Interim Legal Counsel reported out of Closed Session stating that multiple items were considered; however, no reportable actions were taken.

ADJOURN


President Young adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

ATTEST:

Nancy M. Albitre
Acting Board Secretary

CERTIFICATE AS TO THE MEETING MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

I, Elvia Dominguez, Board Secretary of the West Valley Water District, certify that the above is a true and correct transcript from the minutes of a Regular meeting of Board of Directors of the West Valley Water District held at Rialto, CA on December 15, 2022, and that the meeting was duly called and held in all respects in accordance with the laws of the State of California and bylaws of the company and that a quorum was present.


Elvia Dominguez
Board Secretary

Minutes were approved on February 2, 2023 by the Board of Directors of the West Valley Water District.