

**SAN BERNARDINO VALLEY WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

**MINUTES OF November 8, 2017
1:30 p.m.**

President Corneille called the meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 1:30 p.m. All present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance, led by President Corneille.

ROLL CALL:

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Richard Corneille, President
Melody McDonald, Vice President
David E. Raley, Director
T. Milford Harrison, Director
John Longville, Director (Arrival 1:37 p.m.)

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

GENERAL COUNSEL PRESENT:

David Cosgrove, Rutan & Tucker, LLP

STAFF PRESENT:

Daniel Cozad, General Manager
Jeff Beehler, Land Resource Manager
Athena Monge, Administrative Services Specialist

GUESTS PRESENT:

Charles Roberts, Highland Community News
Michelle Diamond, Tetra Tech
David Smith, East Valley Water District

1. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

President Corneille announced this as the time for any persons present, who so desired, to make an oral presentation to the Board of Directors. Hearing none, the meeting continued with published agenda items.

2. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA

There were none.

3. PRESENTATION ON THE SANTA ANA RIVER TRAILS

Patricia Lock Dawson with Santa Ana River Trail and Parkway Partnership presented a PDF presentation on the Santa Ana River Trail (Trail). She is a consultant who works with a group of elected officials that are working to complete the Trail. Ms. Dawson discussed the history of the Trail as well as its current status. The Trail will cross through three counties (Orange County, Riverside County, and San Bernardino County) and will be more than 100 miles long when completed. The State Coastal Conservancy is currently completing a watershed-wide River Plan. There are about 300 projects in the River Plan in need of about \$600 million dollars in future funding. They are divided into three main areas: water, habitat restoration and recreation. Ms. Dawson reviewed criteria for ranking projects. She noted that the Trail is 70% complete and is anticipated to be fully completed in 2020. The Board thanked Ms. Dawson for her presentation. She commended the District for its efforts on the Wash Plan Project.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Vice President McDonald and seconded by President Corneille to approve Consent Calendar Item A: Board Minutes, October 18, 2017, and Item B: Expenditure Report, October 2017. The motion carried 5-0 with all Directors present voting in the affirmative.

**President Corneille: Yes
Vice President McDonald: Yes
Director Longville: Yes
Director Raley: Yes
Director Harrison: Yes**

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTION ITEMS

A. OPERATIONS COMMITTEE VERBAL REPORT

President Corneille stated that the Operations Committee (Committee) met on October 30. The Committee reviewed several items; including permitting in Mill Creek and Plunge Creek, Redlands Plaza and parking lot and sidewalk improvements. The Committee reviewed the Operations & Maintenance Manual updates for 2017; this item will be considered for acceptance at the regular board meeting in December. President Corneille stated that Assistant Engineer Katelyn Scholte was primarily responsible for the update and that the Committee appreciated her work and provided her with comments. The Committee was also given an update on the Dredge & Fill Regulation status and had a field tour where they viewed the Enhanced Recharge Project construction and District facilities. President Corneille stated that there would be a sedimentation basin constructed that will collect silt from the water, thereby reducing maintenance for the District's basins. The Committee reviewed the Capital Improvement Plan. Director Harrison recommended that the District look into installing a prefabricated restroom facility at the Mentone shop. This item was received and filed.

B. REDLANDS PLAZA PARKING LOT AND SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS

President Corneille stated that the Operations Committee recommends the District contract with International Paving Services with a contract amount not to exceed \$100,000 for both the parking lot and sidewalk improvements. The Committee reviewed permanent pavers as an

option, but the amount of water recharge from that option is minuscule compared to the significant cost. As recommended by ACWA/JPIA, staff obtained an evaluation on the Redlands Plaza project from an independent inspector for Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance. Based on that evaluation, staff recommended changes to the parking lot and sidewalk in order to be ADA compliant. The Board was provided with a handout of the Redlands Plaza parking lot layout. Staff noted that the District owns and is responsible for the entire parking lot and entrance as shown in the handout. A brief discussion of the improvement process ensued.

It was moved by President Corneille and seconded by Director Harrison to authorize the General Manager to contract with International Paving Services for the parking lot and sidewalk improvements not to exceed \$100,000, modifying 2017-2018 Budget for Redlands Plaza. The motion carried 5-0 with all Directors present voting in the affirmative.

**President Corneille: Yes
Vice President McDonald: Yes
Director Longville: Yes
Director Raley: Yes
Director Harrison: Yes**

C. UNAUDITED FINANCIAL REPORTS, OCTOBER 2017

It was moved by Director Longville and seconded by Vice President McDonald to approve the Unaudited Financial Reports for October 2017. The motion carried 5-0 with all Directors present voting in the affirmative.

**President Corneille: Yes
Vice President McDonald: Yes
Director Longville: Yes
Director Raley: Yes
Director Harrison: Yes**

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. WASH PLAN REPORT

Mr. Beehler indicated that the Wash Plan Report is included on package page 28. He provided map handouts on the Plunge Creek Habitat Restoration project related to the endangered species covered under the Wash Plan. Mr. Beehler noted that Santa Ana Woolly star seed collection occurred out in the field this week. This item was received and filed.

B. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT AND MONTHLY RECHARGE REPORT

Mr. Cozad indicated that the written General Manager's Report is included in the Board Package on pages 35 to 37. The Monthly Recharge Report is included on package page 38. Mr. Cozad stated that the Draft Community Strategic Plan (CSP) update for 2017 had been emailed to partner agencies, resource agencies and is posted on the District website for review

and comment. The Final CSP will be considered for approval at the regular Board meeting in December. President Corneille asked for Board member feedback on the Plan to be submitted to staff by close of business today. This item was received and filed.

C. GROUNDWATER COUNCIL VERBAL REPORT

Mr. Cozad introduced this item for discussion. He stated that comments had been received related to the equitable allocation model from West Valley Water District. Western Municipal Water District has requested plaintiff parties participate in the Groundwater Council as ex-officio members. The next Groundwater Council has been postponed to December. This item was received and filed.

D. RAIL TO REDLANDS VERBAL UPDATE

Mr. Cozad introduced this item for discussion. Director Longville is a member of the Rail to Redlands Committee and provided an update. He said that the Committee is developing a way to connect the existing Metrolink line to San Bernardino through Redlands to the University of Redlands. The diesel multiple units may run past San Bernardino to service Ontario Airport. He noted that ESRI would have its own station. This item was received and filed.

E. DRAFT 2018 BOARD CALENDAR FOR FEEDBACK

Mr. Cozad said that the Board should consider moving the May 9, 2018 Board meeting due to a conflict with the ACWA Spring Conference. He asked for the Board to review proposed meeting dates and to provide any recommended revisions to staff. The calendar will be considered for approval at the December Board meeting.

F. ACWA GENERAL SESSION VOTING DELEGATE

It was moved by President Corneille and seconded by Director Longville to appoint Vice President McDonald as the District's ACWA General Session Voting Delegate. The motion carried 5-0 with all Directors present voting in the affirmative.

**President Corneille: Yes
Vice President McDonald: Yes
Director Longville: Yes
Director Raley: Yes
Director Harrison: Yes**

G. DECEMBER BOARD LUNCHEON INFORMATION

Staff noted that the holiday luncheon would be held at 12:00 p.m. December 13 at Isabella's Ristorante Italiano, following the regular Board meeting. The Board suggested inviting past Board members to the upcoming luncheon.

H. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS & STAFF TASKS

There were none.

7. MONTHLY BOARD MEMBER COMMITTEE ACTIVITY REPORTS, AND/OR COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS

President Corneille chaired the Operations Committee meeting on October 30. He will be presenting to the Mentone Area Community Association on the Mendoza Property on November 14.

Director Harrison attended the Operations Committee meeting on October 30, Loma Linda Chamber of Commerce on November 1, and he met with Senator Morrell on Bunker Hill Basin issues. He also attended the Valley Municipal Board Meeting on November 7.

Vice President McDonald attended the Valley Municipal Board Meeting on November 7 and their Legislative & Policy Committee Workshop on October 19. She also attended the Highland Area Chamber Luncheon on October 24 and San Bernardino Area Chamber of Commerce Koffee Klatch on October 25.

Director Raley attended the East Valley Water District Board Meeting on October 29 and the Valley Municipal Board Meeting on November 7.

8. UPCOMING MEETINGS

President Corneille said that December 14 is the Advisory Commission on Water Policy meeting.

9. CLOSED SESSION


There was none.

10. ADJOURN MEETING

It was moved by Vice President McDonald and seconded by President Corneille to adjourn. The motion carried 4-0 with all Directors present voting in the affirmative.

**President Corneille: Yes
Vice President McDonald: Yes
Director Longville: Absent
Director Raley: Yes
Director Harrison: Yes**

At 3:33 p.m. the meeting adjourned to the Board of Directors meeting scheduled for 9:00 a.m. December 13, 2017 at District Headquarters, 1630 W. Redlands Blvd., Redlands, Calif.



Daniel B. Cozad
General Manager