

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
EAST ORANGE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

March 19, 2015

1. **Call to Order.** A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the East Orange County Water District was called to order by WILLIAM VANDERWERFF, President of the Board of Directors, at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 19, 2015, in the offices of the East Orange County Water District, 185 N. McPherson Road, Orange, California. JOAN ARNESON, Secretary, recorded the minutes of the meeting.

The following Directors were present: RICHARD BELL, DOUGLASS DAVERT, JOHN DULEBOHN and WILLIAM VANDERWERFF. Also present were:

LISA OHLUND	General Manager
JOAN ARNESON	District Secretary and Legal Counsel
WILLIAM EVEREST	Consultant
ART VALENZUELA	City of Tustin
SYLVIA PRADO	District Administrative Assistant
GRAHAM JUBY	Carollo Engineers

2. **Public Communications to the Board.** ART VALENZUELA was recognized, and said that while very supportive of the evaluation of a treatment plant, it is important to focus on who the plant's end users will be, to be certain there will be sufficient subscribers of the capacity.

3. **Items Arising After Posting of Agenda.** None.

4. **General Manager's Report.** Ms. OHLUND said she did not have anything to add to the written report. There were no comments or questions.

ACTION TAKEN:

Upon a motion duly made, seconded and carried unanimously (Everett absent), the General Manager's Report was received and filed.

5. **Minutes.**

ACTION TAKEN:

Upon a motion duly made, seconded and carried unanimously (Everett absent), the minutes of the meeting of February 19, 2015 were approved as submitted.

6. Operation, Management and Construction Matters.

A. Strategic Planning. It was the consensus that April 11 be selected as the date for a workshop discussion on the strategic planning initiative.

B. Peters Canyon Treatment Plant Feasibility Study. Ms. OHLUND said this study was being conducted by Carollo Engineers, and that an important decision on the direction of the study was proposed this evening. GRAHAM JUBY made a slide presentation on the basis of design and the screening and ranking of treatment trains, and said the recommendation was that the conventional train be selected for further analysis.

ACTION TAKEN:

Upon a motion duly made, seconded and carried unanimously (Everett absent), the recommended conventional treatment process was selected as the preferred treatment approach for the next phases of Carollo Engineers' Peters Canyon Treatment Plant feasibility study.

7. Financial Matters.

A. Schedule of Disbursements. Schedules of disbursements in the following amounts were presented: \$372,654.86 from Wholesale and Retail Operating Funds, \$2,045.60 for directors' payroll, and \$38,464.76 for employees' payroll.

B. Investment Activity. Schedules of investments were presented.

C. Financial Statements (January 31). The financial statements were presented.

On behalf of the Finance Committee, Director DULEBOHN recommended approval of the schedule of disbursements and investment schedules, and receipt and filing of the financial statements.

ACTION TAKEN:

Upon a motion duly made, seconded and carried unanimously (Everett absent), the schedules of disbursements were approved as submitted, the schedules of investments were ratified and approved, and the financial statements were received and filed.

8. Miscellaneous Matters.

A. Reports from Committees and Representatives to Organizations. None.

B. Directors' Reports on Meetings Attended. None.

C. Authorization of Conference Attendance. Ms. OHLUND said she planned to attend the ACWA Spring conference. None of the Directors requested authorization to attend.

D. Orange County Sanitation District #7 Local Sewer Service Reorganization – Status Report. Ms. OHLUND said she had nothing to add to the report.

E. Water Demand Status Report. Ms. OHLUND reported on the State Water Resources Control Board's March 17 action to extend and augment its July, 2014 emergency conservation regulations. She said a primary focus will be on enforcement.

ACTION TAKEN:

Upon a motion duly made, seconded and carried unanimously (Everett absent), the Water Demand Status Report was received and filed.

F. Drought Response Report. Ms. OHLUND reported that MWD is expected to consider an allocation, and that staff will be bringing recommended actions to the Board.

ACTION TAKEN:

Upon a motion duly made, seconded and carried unanimously (Everett absent), the Drought Response Report was received and filed.

9. Informational Items.

A. General Interest Publications. Included were *LA Times* op-ed – "California has about one year of water left;" *MyNewsLA.com* – "Water board spends \$71 million battling drought;" *San Diego Union-Tribune* op-ed – "Desalination makes sense for Orange County".

10. Adjournment.

ACTION TAKEN:

Upon a motion duly made, seconded and carried unanimously (Everett absent), the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m., to Saturday, April 11, 2015, at 8:00 a.m., to be held in the Offices of the East Orange County Water District, 185 N. McPherson Road, Orange, California.

Respectfully submitted,



Joan C. Arneson