

**MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD  
OF DIRECTORS OF ELSINORE VALLEY  
MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT**

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 24, 2019**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District was held at its principal offices at 31315 Chaney Street, Lake Elsinore, California.

Directors Present

Andy Morris, President  
Phil Williams, Vice President  
Darcy Burke, Treasurer  
Harvey Ryan  
Jared McBride

Staff Present

John Vega, General Manager  
John Brown, General Counsel  
Terese Quintanar, District Secretary/Administrative Services Supervisor  
Christy Gonzalez, Executive Assistant/Deputy Board Secretary  
Susie Evans, Sr. Executive Assistant  
Brian Macy, Assistant General Manager - Eng./Ops  
Jason Dafforn, Director of Engineering and Water Resources  
Margie Armstrong, Director of Strategic Programs  
Jim Ollerton, Director of Information Technology  
Jase Warner, Director of Operations  
John Manhard, Facilities Manager  
Tim Collie, Water Operations Manager  
Jennifer Dancho, Human Resources and Safety Manager  
Bonnie Woodrome, Community Affairs Supervisor  
Scott Thompson, Accounting Manager  
Dennis McBride, Wastewater Operations Manager  
Serena Johns, Sr. Management Analyst  
Matthew Bates, Engineering Manager  
Parag Kalaria, Water Resources Manager

Others Present

None.

<b>CALL TO ORDER</b>
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The meeting was called to order by President Morris at 4:09 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by Director Williams, seconded by Director Burke, and carried unanimously to approve the Agenda as presented.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

The meeting was opened to public comments and there were none.

**Item I.0 CONSENT CALENDAR**  
***Minute Order #5391-5392*****A. APPROVAL OF:**

1. Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of January 10, 2019
2. Minutes of the Engineering and Operations Committee Meeting of January 7, 2019
3. Minutes of the Finance and Administration Committee Meeting of December 27, 2018
4. Demands
5. Revision of Administrative Code Section 1552 & 1553 (***MO# 5391***)
6. Amendment No. 4 to the Professional Services Agreement with CH2M Hill Engineers for the Horsethief Canyon Wastewater Reclamation Facility Upgrades and Expansion Project (***MO#5392***)

**B. APPROVAL OF TRAVEL AUTHORIZATIONS**

1. Harvey Ryan - ACWA Federal Affairs Committee Meeting

Director Ryan abstained on Consent Calendar Item A.4, Nos. 4709, 239368, 239393, and 239394 for sources of income.

A motion was made by Director Williams, seconded by Director Ryan and carried unanimously to:

- 1. Approve the Consent Calendar non-pulled items.***

A motion was made by Director Williams, seconded by Director Burke, and carried with Director Ryan abstaining to:

- 1. Approve the Consent Calendar Item A.4, Nos. 4709, 239368, 239393 and 239394.***

**II.0 Business Items****II.A Consider Approval of a Contract Services Agreement with Alfa Laval Inc. for a Complete Rehabilitation of the Regional Water Reclamation Facility Train B Belt Press*****Minute Order # 5393***

Mr. Manhard reported that recently at the Regional WRF, the Train B belt filter press suffered a catastrophic failure of the main drive roller. The manufacturer, Alfa Laval Inc., was brought in by staff to conduct an inspection of the damage. The existing belt press unit is damaged beyond in-house repair capabilities. The cost for a complete refurbishment will cost approximately \$197,000 which includes tax and freight. This should give the press another 20 or more years of life expectancy.

The plant is currently operating compliantly with only one belt press in operation, but without the redundancy of a second unit the plant operation would be immediately compromised in the event the second unit fails.

Staff presented this item at the January 16, 2019 Study Session and recommended approval of a Contract Services Agreement with Alfa Laval Inc. in the amount of \$197,000 to completely rehabilitate the Train B belt filter press.

Director Burke questioned how long it will take to get it back online. Mr. Manhard responded that it will take approximately 6-8 weeks.

A motion was made by Director Ryan, seconded by Director Williams and carried unanimously to:

- 1. Approve a Contract Services Agreement with Alfa Laval, Inc. in the amount of \$197,000;***
- 2. Authorize a supplemental appropriation of funds in the amount of \$197,000.00 to the Capital Outlay Program 310, with funding provided by the Wastewater Replacement Program 333; and,***
- 3. Authorize the General Manager to execute the appropriate documents on behalf of EVMWD.***

**Item III.A GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

Mr. Vega thanked staff for their efforts preparing for the heavy rains and protecting our facilities. After the rain events, we were in great shape and were even able to help the City when called upon. Director McBride asked for an update on the golden algae. Mr. Vega reported there was no update as of yet.

He further reported that with the recent storms, we received 2.9 inches of rain, with a year to date of 5.63 inches. As of January 10, 2019, Lake Elsinore was at 1,234.8 feet above sea level and as of today it is at 1,235.8 feet, gaining 1 foot or approximately 10% of our total water supply for one year. Canyon Lake level was

at 1,380 feet on January 10, 2018 going up to 1381.66 feet as of today. On January 18<sup>th</sup> it was at 1,382.25 feet which is 7 inches above the spill line. The dam spilling lasted for approximately 5 days.

The Northern Sierra snowpack is at 115% and the Upper Colorado River Basin Snowpack is at 106%. The rainfall in Los Angeles is 168% of normal with San Diego being 153% of normal. Mr. Vega further reported on the reservoirs. Oroville is 37%, San Luis is 82%, Castaic is 78% and Diamond Valley Lake is 87% full.

Director McBride commented when the lake goes up by a foot, additional shoreline is added which is great news for recreational purposes.

### **Item III.C LEGAL COUNSEL'S REPORT**

Mr. Brown reported on AB401 which directed the State Water Resources Control Board to submit recommendations to the Legislature on how to implement a statewide Low-Income Water Rate Assistance Program. The State Water Board released its draft report earlier this month, with comments due by February 1, 2019.

An internal memorandum from BBK was distributed to the Board.

### **Item III.D BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Director Burke expressed her gratitude with being invited to the Awards Banquet and congratulated staff on the Awards given. She also commended staff on the groundwater basin overview and integrated resources management plan overview.

Directed Ryan reported on the recent LCOC Committee meeting. Community Outreach, the Community Affairs Masterplan, Systems Optimization Review, RFQ for State advocacy, and Federal advocacy was discussed at this meeting.

Director Williams commended our grant program.

Director Morris reported on the WPC committee meeting. The groundwater basin overview was reviewed, and it was suggested to be brought to the entire Board. We still have 54% remaining in our transfer agreement with Temescal Valley Water District. Operational Statistics was reviewed. Our average water loss is at 2.6%, which is well under industry standards.

### **Item IV.0 DIRECTORS' COMMENTS AND REQUESTS**

Director McBride and Director Burke thanked staff for the recent Wastewater facilities tour.

Director Ryan commended staff at the Awards Banquet and expressed how amazing it was to see the awards given.

Director Williams commented on his recent discussions with the City Manager on how well the City and EVMWD work together. He expressed his appreciation to staff.

Director Morris commended staff's quick resolution and thoroughness with an email that went out this afternoon regarding a customer issue on payments and shutoff. He also commented that he went to the Murrieta Student of the Month Breakfast and appreciated John Vega and Brian Macy's attendance.

<b>Item V.0      ADJOURNMENT</b>
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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:46 p.m.

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Andy Morris, President of the  
Board of Directors of the  
Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District

ATTEST:

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Terese Quintanar, Secretary to the  
Board of Directors of  
Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District