

**MINUTES
ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD
OF DIRECTORS OF ELSINORE VALLEY
MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
THURSDAY, AUGUST 11, 2022**

The Adjourned 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 with a remote public participation option (teleconference, through a call-in number clearly noted on the meeting Agenda) posted in accordance with the Brown Act.

Directors Present

Darcy M. Burke, President
Andy Morris, Vice President
Chance Edmondson
Phil Williams
Harvey Ryan

Staff Present

Greg Thomas, General Manager
Steve Anderson, General Counsel
Bob Hartwig, Assistant General Manager – Business Services
Terese Quintanar, District Secretary/Administrative Services Supervisor
Ganesh Krishnamurthy, Assistant General Manager – Eng. and Operations
Christy Gonzalez, Deputy Board Secretary/Executive Assistant
Susie Evans, Sr. Executive Assistant
Christina Ramirez, Executive Assistant
Darryn Flexman, Interim Director of Information Technology
Jason Dafforn, Director of Engineering and Water Resources
Jennifer Dancho, Director of Human Resources
Margie Armstrong, Director of Strategic Programs
Greg Morrison, Government Relations Officer
Parag Kalaria, Water Resources Manager
David Smith, Maintenance Manager
Scott Thompson, Accounting Manager
Matt Bates, Engineering Manager
Kelia Jones, Engineering Project Coordinator
Wendy Martinez, Records Management Coordinator
Matt Elek, Maintenance Superintendent

Public

STEM PULL Students and Families
Gordon Bourns

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Burke at 4:33 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The meeting was opened to public comment and there were none. Opportunity was provided to the public to make public comments throughout the duration of the meeting.

Item I.0 - CONSENT CALENDAR

Minute Order #5719-5720

- A. APPROVAL OF:
1. Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of July 28, 2022
 2. Minutes of the Adjourned Engineering and Operations Committee Meeting of July 7, 2022
 3. Minutes of the Regular Finance and Administration Committee Meeting of July 19, 2022
 4. Minutes of the Regular Engineering and Operations Committee Meeting of August 1, 2022
 5. Payment Ratification Report
 6. Investment Report, Receive and File (*MO# 5719*)
 7. Joint Community Facilities Agreement Between City of Wildomar, Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District, and KB Home Coastal Inc. for City of Wildomar's CFD 2022-3 (*MO# 5720*)

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

- 1. Approve the Consent Calendar as presented.**

Item II. A GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Thomas announced students in attendance to share information about their Science, Technology, Engineering and Math Public Utilities Learning Lab (STEMPULL) participation and projects, which won awards. He relayed appreciation to Ms. Woodrome, staff and the Board for their efforts and support of engaging in this program. Students shared about their projects the Board relayed appreciation of the innovative projects, time dedication, and efforts, thanked

parents, teachers and students, and encouraged continued participation and interest in the industry. Mr. Bourns provided additional information about the opportunities provided by the program for students to have exposure to various career paths. The program also coaches students on effective ways to present information and gain confidence and communication skills.

Item II. B LEGAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

Mr. Anderson reported that he would distribute his Legal Counsel Update regarding recent FPPC decisions.

Item II. C BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS
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Director Edmondson reported on his attendance of the Wildomar Group meeting. Topics included the Bundy Sewer and Water project, Washington Lift Station, McVicar Lift Station, various development projects, the Baxter Village and Elizabeth Lane Projects, and information was exchanged about the Sedco and Avenues Septic to Sewer project.

Director Ryan reported on the Eastern MWD Group meeting. The federal government may intervene on seven lower basin states on the Colorado river if those states do not develop a conservation plan. Mr. Mouawad talked of a meeting with Secretary Crowfoot and that it is disappointing that we keep addressing drought with conservation and that we need to start thinking bigger and we need to be executing ideas. There is an initiative brewing for equal access to water and there are issues with storage on the west side. Non-functional turf was also a topic and there will be a non-functional turf potable water irrigation ban.

We will have another Joint Agency Water Resiliency meeting on August 22, 2022, and we'll hear from our consultants about the initiatives proposed. Regarding SB1157, the second round of suggested amendments were rejected.

President Burke clarified that the "Equitable Distribution of Water" is a MWD policy principle being considered and is intended to determine who has access to Colorado River and State Water Project Water and how we can better balance water delivery.

Director Morris reported on the Wildomar City Council meeting. They talked about relocating their office and have four options to consider at this time. He had the opportunity to speak with some members of the public about the drought and also spoke with Ms. Castanon. He also reported on the Chamber breakfast, where Ms. Woodrome and other representatives did a fantastic job relaying updates about the issues at hand.

President Burke reported about a presentation she provided to the Economic Development Committee (EDC) and acknowledged Ms. Dancho as a member of that Committee. The presentation included information about the state's mismanagement of our water supply and what we can do as a business and as individuals. She relayed that we do not expect our customers to bear the brunt of trying to supply water to the region. She continued that she attended the Eastern Municipal Water District Group meeting, reported on by Director Ryan, and she also listened to much of the Metropolitan Water District meeting, where an exceptional presentation was provided by MWD staff. She shared the presentation and referenced Slide 31 of that presentation that included History on the Colorado River and what we need to do over the next three to five years. She also noted that the Bureau of Reclamation has no control of conservation in the upper basins states and requested continued discussions about this at future meetings. She concluded that the CLPOA is selecting a new director to replace Brian Bock and she asked to invite the new member for an orientation.

Greg Morrison provided a brief legislative update. Regarding SB1157, the suggested edits by the Assembly Water, Parks, and Wildlife Committee were approved, but those particular amendments do not have a bearing on our efforts as an industry. The bill now says that the gallons per person per day would need to move to 47 by 2025 and 42 gallons per person per day but 2030. The most important amendment is to get the author to accept requiring DWR to do a study to show quantitative impacts and the 42 gallons per day would not go into effect until that study is done. The Southwest Legislative Council is engaged and ACWA has reached out to several agencies which have not weighed in on the bill, and neither has the Building Industry Association. Staff meet with Assemblyman Seyarto to brief him on SB1157 and SB222, and he is opposed to both and supportive of our position.

Item III.0 DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS AND REQUESTS
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Harvey requested discussion of the ACWA Priority Issues and Action Plan at a future Study Session meeting. President Burke agreed and added that a plan for action is important. She opined that we need to find a way to provide information in a non-partisan way that has a call to action.

Director Morris acknowledged the frustration and questions of the public, and urged for a plan to relay to individuals what they can do.

Item V.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:26 p.m.

Darcy M. Burke, President of the
Board of Directors of the
Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District

ATTEST:

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