

MINUTES  
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
WESTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

May 5, 2017

**CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Special Meeting of the Board of Directors of Western Municipal Water District was called to order at 10:30 a.m. and President Evans led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

**Directors Present**

Tom Evans, Presiding  
Brenda Dennstedt, Vice President  
Robert Stockton, Secretary-Treasurer  
Donald D. Galleano (Departed 12:10 p.m.)  
S. R. "Al" Lopez

**Others Present**

John Rossi, General Manager  
Craig Miller, Deputy General Manager  
Rod LeMond, Assistant General Manager/CFO  
Kevin Mascaro, Director of Finance  
Candi Judd, Director of Human Resources  
Derek Kawaii, Director of Engineering  
Greg Duecker, Director of Administration  
Michele McKinney, Special Projects Coordinator  
Daisy Banuelos, Financial Analyst  
Jean Perry, Executive Assistant  
Jeff Ferre, Best, Best and Krieger

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Any person may address the Board upon any subject within Western's jurisdiction, which is not on the agenda, at this time. However, any non-agenda matter that requires action will be referred to staff for a report and action at a subsequent Board meeting. Any person may also address the Board on any agenda matter at the time that matter is discussed, prior to Board Action.

There were no members of the public who wished to speak during Oral Communications.

**M-6657 – Approval of Consent Calendar**

It was moved by Director Galleano, seconded by Director Lopez to approve the Consent Calendar. As a result, the following Consent Calendar items were approved:

- A) Approve Directors' Requests for Compensation
- B) Approve Special Board Meeting Minutes, April 18, 2017 and Regular Board Meeting Minutes, April 19, 2017
- C) Receive and File Cash Disbursement Reports, March 2017
- D) Receive and File Government Code Section 53065.5 Disclosure Report, March 2017
- E) Receive and File Investment Report, March 2017

The motion carried 5-0.

- END OF CONSENT CALENDAR -

With approval from the Board the Closed Session Items were moved to this place on the Agenda.

**Closed Session**

At 10:35 a.m. President Evans announced that the Board would go into Closed Session on the following matters:

- A) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION  
Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) and (4) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9  
One potential case
- B) CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS  
Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6  
District designated representatives: John Rossi, General Manager, Candi Judd, Director of Human Resources, Brad Neufeld, Labor Counsel  
Employee organization: Management/professional/confidential employees
- C) CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS  
Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6  
District designated representatives: John Rossi, General Manager, Candi Judd, Director of Human Resources, Brad Neufeld, Labor Counsel  
Employee organization: Western Municipal Water District Employees Association
- D) CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS  
Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.8  
Property: 450 E. Alessandro Boulevard, Riverside CA  
Agency negotiator: John Rossi  
Negotiating parties – listing for sale and/or lease  
Under negotiation: potential listing price

The Board came out of Closed Session and reconvened into Open Session at 12:30 p.m.

General Manager John Rossi said that for Agenda Item 8-A, 8-B and 8-C there was direction given, but there was no reportable action. Legal Counsel Jeff Ferre said that for Agenda Item 8-D there was no reportable action.

**M-6658 – Consider Adoption of Resolution 2985 for Support of the Association of California Water Agencies’ Policy Statement on Bay-Delta Flow Requirements**

Following a full discussion and consideration of this matter by the Board, a motion was made by Director Dennstedt, seconded by Director Lopez to adopt Resolution 2985, supporting the Association of California Water Agencies’ policy statement on the Bay-Delta flow requirements. Motion carried 5-0.

**Wastewater Rates Workshop**

General Manager John Rossi introduced Assistant General Manager/CFO Rod LeMond who provided an overview on the Wastewater Rate Study objectives. Mr. LeMond then introduced Director of Finance Kevin Mascaro who made a presentation on the proposed wastewater rates.

**Staff Reports**

General Manager John Rossi and staff reported on the following:

- Provided an update on the Chino Basin Desalter Authority Safe Yield
- Met with General Manager of Eastern Municipal Water District Paul Jones and staff to discuss rising groundwater; and City of Murrieta matters
- Director of Engineering Derek Kawaii provided an update on the La Sierra Project

**Adjourn**

There being no further business to come before the Board, at 1:05 p.m. President Evans adjourned the Special Board Meeting of Western Municipal Water District.



THOMAS P. EVANS  
President



ROBERT STOCKTON  
Secretary-Treasurer