

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY STATE WATER CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION, SEPTEMBER 10, 2020.

A regular meeting of the Commissioners of the Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association was held Thursday, September 10, 2020, via teleconference. Chair Parris called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

1) Pledge of Allegiance.

At the request of Chair Parris, Commissioner Dyas led the pledge of allegiance.

2) Roll Call.

Attendance: *(via teleconference)*

Robert Parris, Chair
Vincent Dino, Vice Chair
Leo Thibault, Treasurer-Auditor
(Joined at 6:12 p.m.)
Kathy Mac Laren, Secretary
Keith Dyas, Commissioner
John Tenerelli, Alt. Cmsr.

Others Present: *(via teleconference)*

Peter Thompson II, General Manager
Tom Barnes, Resources Manager
Dennis Hoffmeyer, Controller
Matthew Knudson, AVEK Asst. Gen. Manager
James Chaisson, LCID General Manager
Don Wilson, PWD Alt. Commissioner
Danielle Henry, Management Analyst
0 members of the public

EXCUSED ABSENCE –

Barbara Hogan, Commissioner

3) Adoption of Agenda.

It was moved by Commissioner Dyas, seconded by Commissioner Mac Laren, and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Commissioners present at the meeting on the following roll call vote to adopt the agenda, as written:

Chair Parris – aye
Commissioner Dino – aye
Commissioner Mac Laren – aye
Commissioner Dyas – aye
Commissioner Tenerelli – aye

4) Public Comments for Non-Agenda Items.

There were no public comments.

5) Consideration and Possible Action on Minutes of Regular Meeting Held July 9, 2020.

It was moved by Commissioner Mac Laren, seconded by Commissioner Dino, and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Commissioners present at the meeting on the following roll call vote to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held July 9, 2020, as written:

Chair Parris – aye
Commissioner Dino – aye
Commissioner Mac Laren – aye
Commissioner Dyas – aye
Commissioner Tenerelli – aye

Commissioner Thibault joined via teleconference at 6:12 p.m.

6) Payment of Bills.

General Manager Thompson II reviewed the bills received for payment and for ratification of payment after which it moved by Commissioner Thibault, seconded by Commissioner Mac Laren, and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Commissioners present at the meeting on the following roll call vote to approve payment of the bills received from AVEK in the amount of \$1,538.10 for staff services, from PWD in the amount of \$2,009.07 for staff services, from Nigro & Nigro in the amount of \$1,500.00 for the final audit services, from the United States Geological Survey (U.S.G.S.) in the amount of \$16,375.00 for the 2019/2020 Joint Funding Agreement for Cooperative Water Resources Investigations for the period of May 1, 2020 through July 31, 2020, from Woodard & Curran in the amount of \$5,497.75 for professional services associated with the 2019 Integrated Regional Water Management Plan update, and from the Antelope Valley Watermaster in the total amount of \$453,225.65, including \$452,042.90 for AVEK and \$1,182.75 for LCID, for replacement water per the October 23, 2019 Agreement between the Association and the Watermaster:

Chair Parris – aye
Commissioner Dino – aye
Commissioner Thibault – aye
Commissioner Mac Laren – aye
Commissioner Dyas – aye
Commissioner Tenerelli - aye

7) Consideration and Possible Action on Amendment to the Contract and Scope of Work with Kennedy Jenks for Analysis of Big Rock Creek Recharge Alternatives. (General Manager Thompson II/Mr. Matthew Knudson, AVEK Assistant General Manager)

General Manager Thompson II reviewed the proposed amendment to the contract and scope of work for the Big Rock Creek Joint Groundwater Recharge Project, which includes four recharge alternatives, and after a brief discussion of major road crossing obstacles and potential environmental studies, it was moved by Commissioner Mac Laren, seconded by Commissioner Dyas, and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Commissioners present at the meeting on the following roll call vote to approve the Amendment to the Contract and Scope of Work with Kennedy Jenks for Analysis of Big Rock Creek Recharge Alternatives:

Chair Parris – aye
Commissioner Dino – aye
Commissioner Thibault – aye
Commissioner Mac Laren – aye
Commissioner Dyas – aye
Commissioner Tenerelli – aye

8) Report of General Manager and Assistant General Manager.

a) Status Updates:

1) 2020 Home Show and SMART Water Expo.

General Manager Thompson II reported that staff received an Amendment to the Contract between the Association and the AV Fair Association, which includes a credit of \$10,000.00 paid for this year's cancelled Home Show and SMART Expo and one year extension for the Conservation Garden sponsorship, after which the Commissioners

directed General Manager Thompson II to execute the Amendment to the Contract between the Association and AV Fair Association.

2) AVSWCA Special Meeting Scheduled October 8, 2020.

General Manager Thompson II reported that the next Association meeting is scheduled for October 8, 2020 at 6 p.m. and will include a presentation by Ms. Jennifer Pierre of the State Water Project on the Delta and current legislation regarding the Department of Water Resources and the State Water Contractors.

3) Replacement Water Assessments.

General Manager Thompson II reported that the replacement water delivery plan requested by AVEK and LCID will be considered for approval at the next Watermaster meeting.

4) Antelope Valley Watermaster Meetings.

AVEK Assistant General Manager Knudson reported that the next Watermaster Advisory Committee meeting will be held on September 16, 2020 at 10 a.m.; that the next Watermaster Board meeting will be held on September 23, 2020 at 10 a.m.; and that discussions will include applications received for new production and water transfers.

5) Antelope Valley and Fremont Basin IRWMP Stakeholder Meetings.

General Manager Thompson II reported that staff is preparing the documentation requested by the Department of Water Resources (DWR) for the Proposition 1 Integrated Regional Water Management grant funding.

AVEK Assistant General Manager Knudson then stated that staff expects to receive the grant agreement from DWR within 30 days and that an Antelope Valley IRWMP Stakeholders meeting will be scheduled for early October.

9) Report of Controller.

a) Update on Revenue, Expenses and Change in Net Position.

Controller Hoffmeyer provided a brief review of the Association's revenue, expenses and change in net position for the month ending August 31, 2020 followed by a brief discussion of the available funding for the Big Rock Creek Joint Groundwater Recharge Project.

10) Reports of Commissioners.

Commissioner Thibault stated that it is difficult to hear all the participants of the meeting, and after a brief discussion of all Commissioners experiencing audio difficulties, it was determined to schedule the next Association meeting via Zoom.

11) Report of Attorney.

No attorney was present at the meeting.

12) Commission Members' Requests for Future Agenda Items.

There were no requests for future agenda items.

13) Consideration and Possible Action on Scheduling the Next Association Meeting.

It was determined that the next meeting of the Association will be held October 8, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

14) Adjournment.

There being no further business to come before the Commissioners, the regular meeting of the Commissioners of the Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association was adjourned at 6:48 p.m.


Secretary