

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY STATE WATER CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION, OCTOBER 15, 2015.**

*A regular meeting of the Commissioners of the Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association was held Thursday, October 15, 2015, at the Palmdale Water District at 2029 East Avenue Q, Palmdale. Chair Hogan called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.*

**1) Pledge of Allegiance.**

Chair Hogan led the pledge of allegiance.

**2) Roll Call.**

**Attendance:**

Barbara Hogan, Chair  
Robert Alvarado, Vice Chair  
Neal Weisenberger, Secretary  
Leo Thibault, Treasurer-Auditor  
Keith Dyas, Cmsnr.

**Others Present:**

Matt Knudson, AVSWCA General Mngr.  
Travis Berglund, LCID Manager  
George Lane, Alt. Commissioner  
Danielle Henry, Administrative Assistant  
0 members of the public

Kathy Mac Laren, Cmsnr. --  
EXCUSED ABSENCE

Tom Barnes, Controller --  
EXCUSED ABSENCE

**3) Public Comments for Non-Agenda Items.**

There were no public comments.

**4) Consideration and Possible Action on Minutes of Regular Meeting Held September 17, 2015.**

It was moved by Commissioner Weisenberger, seconded by Commissioner Alvarado, and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Commissioners present at the meeting to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held September 17, 2015, as written.

**5) Payment of Bills.**

Commissioner Thibault reviewed the bills received for payment and then moved to pay the bills received from PWD in the amount of \$885.96 for staff services and from

AVEK in the amount of \$548.01 for staff services. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Alvarado and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Commissioners present at the meeting.

**6) Discussion and Possible Action on the Recommendation of the Member Agencies General Managers Regarding Regional Leadership of Water Conservation Efforts. (General Manager Knudson)**

After a brief discussion of the AVSavesWater.com website design, of the negotiated monthly website maintenance cost, and of Littlerock Creek Irrigation District's financial support for the site, General Manager Knudson stated that he will bring this item back to Palmdale Water District's Board for reconsideration of financial support based on the member agency breakdown of State Water Project Table A allocations.

Chair Hogan recommended that this item remain on the agenda to allow time for the LCID and PWD Boards to consider.

**7) Discussion and Possible Action on 2015 SMART Landscaping Expo with AVEK as the Lead Agency. (Commissioner Weisenberger/Controller Barnes)**

Commissioner Weisenberger stated that there is still a need for vendors at the 2015 SMART Landscaping Expo and that the next AVEK Water Conservation Committee meeting is scheduled for October 30 at 8:30 a.m., and after a brief discussion of the floor plan and stage set-up for the Expo, General Manager Knudson informed the Commissioners that Controller Barnes met with staff from PWD and LCID to provide direction on roles and responsibilities for the Expo.

**8) Report of General Manager.**

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

General Manager Knudson provided a brief update of the Association's Revenue, Expenditures and Change in Net Position and the Budget status report.

**b) Update on Antelope Valley Integrated Regional Water Management Planning (AVIRWMP) Stakeholders Meetings.**

General Manager Knudson informed the Commissioners that the AVIRWMP Stakeholders Group will be meeting on October 28 at 9:30 a.m. at the City of Palmdale's Larry Chimbole Center; that the meeting has been advertised on the Los Angeles County notifications website; and that the status of the various agencies projects and Proposition 1 grant funding will be the main agenda topics of the meeting.

**c) Update on Status of Agreement Related to Regional Control of Water from the State Water Project.**

General Manager Knudson reported that staff has not yet received a response from the Department of Water Resources on the draft agreement requesting regional control of water from the State Water Project and informed the Commissioners that the feedback received from both LCID and AVEK was incorporated in the draft agreement after which Commissioner Dyas stated that AVEK's General Manager Flory is available for any assistance needed with the agreement.

**9) Report of Controller.**

**a) Update on the "California Water Fix."**

Chair Hogan stated that this item will be carried over to the next meeting when Controller Barnes is present to provide the update.

**10) Reports of Commissioners.**

Commissioner Thibault requested that a budget comparison for the current and prior year be provided on a quarterly basis followed by a discussion of JPIA representation for the Association. It was then determined to include an item on the next agenda for "Discussion and possible action on ACWA/JPIA representative."

Commissioner Dyas reported that General Manager Knudson provided an excellent presentation on the Palmdale Regional Recharge and Recovery Project at AVEK's last Board meeting and thanked him for the presentation.

He then reported that former AVEK Director, Carl Hunter, recently passed away.

Commissioner Weisenberger reported that the last Smart Landscaping Workshop for 2015 will be held on October 17 at 9:00 a.m. at the Antelope Valley College; that the Workshop will be a walking tour of the trees on the AVC campus; that the hot topic of the last Water Conservation Coalition meeting was swimming pool rebates; and that a representative from Sharon Runner's office is planning to pursue legislation on swimming pools followed by a brief discussion of swimming pool rebate ideas and water quantities for filling pools and spas. General Manager Knudson then suggested that this be reviewed as a potential plan to submit for Proposition 1 grant funding.

**11) Report of Attorney.**

No attorney was present.

**12) Commission Members' Requests for Future Agenda Items.**

It was determined that "Discussion and possible action on the recommendation of the member agencies general managers regarding regional leadership of water conservation efforts" and "Update on the California Water Fix" be carried over to the next agenda and that "Discussion and recap on the 2015 SMART Landscaping Expo" and "Discussion and possible action on ACWA/JPIA Representative" be added to the next meeting agenda.

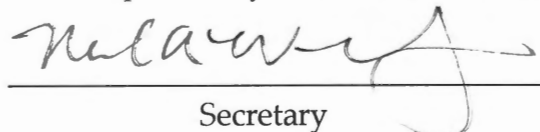
There were no further requests for future agenda items.

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

It was determined that the next regular meeting of the Association will be held November 12, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at PWD.

**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 7:00 p.m.

  
Secretary