# MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT, APRIL 13, 2011:

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District was held Wednesday, April 13, 2011, at 2029 East Avenue Q, Palmdale, California, in the Board Room of the District office. President, Gordon Dexter, called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

### 1) Pledge of Allegiance.

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President Dexter led the pledge of allegiance.

# 2) Moment of Silence.

President Dexter requested everyone remain standing and observe a moment of silence.

3)	Roll Call.	
	Attendance:	Others Present:
	Gordon Dexter, President	Dennis LaMoreaux, General Manager
	Steve Cordova, Vice President	Mike Williams, Finance Manager
	Jeff Storm, Director	Matt Knudson, Engineering Manager
		Peter Thompson, Operations Manager
	Raul Figueroa, Secretary	Ed Boka, Treatment Plant Supervisor
	Linda Godin, Treasurer	Kelly Jeters, Systems Supervisor
	EXCUSED ABSENCE	Claudette Roberts, Water Conservation Spvsr.
		Dawn Deans, Executive Assistant
		35 members of the public

#### 4) Adoption of Agenda.

It was moved by Director Cordova, seconded by Director Storm, and unanimously carried to adopt the agenda, as written.

#### 5) Public Comments for Non-Agenda Items.

There were no public comments.

#### 6) **Presentations**:

6.1) Presentation of Annual Water Awareness Contest Winners. (Water Conservation Supervisor Roberts/Water Conservation Aide Garza)

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Water Conservation Supervisor Roberts thanked everyone for their participation in this year's water awareness contests, being the Rainstick Contest for grades K - 3, the Delta Map Contest for grades 4 - 6, and the Water Savings Slogan Contest for grades 7 - 12, and then announced the winners of these contests. A list of winners is hereby made a portion of the minutes of this meeting.

Mr. Peterson, teacher for the Rainstick Contest winning class, thanked the District for sponsoring these contests as it was a nice project to work on as a break from the normal classroom testing.

At 7:12 p.m., President Dexter called for a five-minute recess. He reconvened the regular meeting at 7:17 p.m.

7) Action Items – Consent Calendar: (The Public Shall Have an Opportunity to Comment on Any Action Item as Each Item is Considered by the Board of Directors Prior to Action Being Taken.)

7.1) Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting Held March 23, 2011.

7.2) Payment of Bills for April 13, 2011.

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It was moved by Director Storm, seconded by Director Cordova, and unanimously carried to approve those items included in the Consent Calendar.

8) Action Items – Action Calendar: (The Public Shall Have an Opportunity to Comment on Any Action Item as Each Item is Considered by the Board of Directors Prior to Action Being Taken.)

8.1) Consideration and Possible Action on Amendment No. 2 to Procurement Contract with Calgon Carbon Corporation to Furnish and Install Granular Activated Carbon (GAC) Media. (\$1,436,680.00 – Budgeted – Operations Manager Thompson II)

Operations Manager Thompson II gave a brief overview of staff's efforts to verify the effectiveness of reactivated Granular Activated Carbon after which it was moved by Director Storm, seconded by Director Cordova, and unanimously carried to approve Amendment No. 2 to the Procurement Contract with Calgon Carbon Corporation to furnish and install Granular Activated Carbon (GAC) Media in the amount of \$1,436,680.00. 8.2) Consideration and Possible Action on Antelope Valley Board of Trade Director Election Voting.

After a brief discussion of the candidates for the Antelope Valley Board of Trade Director positions, it was determined that President Dexter cast the District's vote in the Antelope Valley Board of Trade Director election considering the Board's input.

There was no action taken on this item.

# 9) Information Items.

# 9.1) Reports of Directors: Meetings/Committee Meetings/General Report.

Director Storm reported that the Water Supply and Reliability Committee met yesterday and discussed the Granular Activated Carbon, which was voted on this evening; that the details of the report are fairly interesting; that he advises anyone who has the opportunity to look at the report; that this will save the District money in the future and puts the District in the lead; and that he will leave the remainder of the Committee meeting report to the Chair of the Committee.

There were no further reports from Directors.

#### 9.2) Report of General Manager.

General Manager LaMoreaux reported that Directors and staff of AVEK have requested a tour of the District's water treatment plant and that this tour is scheduled for Friday, April 22, at 10:00 a.m.

#### 9.3) Report of Attorney.

President Dexter stated that Attorney Gosney is not in attendance but will be on line for closed session discussion.

# 10) Public Comments on Closed Session Agenda Matters.

There were no public comments on closed session agenda matters.

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11) Closed Session Under:

11.1) Government Code Section 54956.9(a), Existing Litigation: Antelope Valley Ground Water Cases.

11.2) Government Code Section 54956.9(a), Existing Litigation: City of Palmdale vs. Palmdale Water District, Case No. BC413432 (Rate Litigation).

11.3) Government Code Section 54956.9(a), Existing Litigation: City of Palmdale vs. Palmdale Water District and Palmdale Water District Public Facilities Corporation, Case No. BC413907 (Validation Action).

11.4) Government Code Section 54956.9(a), Existing Litigation: Palmdale Water District vs. City of Palmdale, Case No. BC420492 (Recycled Water Litigation).

11.5) Government Code Section 54956.9(a), Existing Litigation: United States, et al. v. J-M Manufacturing Company, Inc., et al., United States District Court for the Central District of California Case No. ED CV06-0055-GW.

11.6) Government Code Section 54956.9(a), Existing Litigation: Palmdale Water District vs. City of Palmdale, Case No. MC021487 (Excavation Permit Litigation).

11.7) Government Code Section 54956.9(a), Pending Litigation: Central Delta Water Agency vs. Department of Water Resources, Sacramento Superior Court Case No. 34-2010-80000561.

11.8) Government Code Section 54956.9(a), Pending Litigation: Los Angeles and Orange Counties Building and Construction Trades Council, et al. v. Palmdale Water District, United States District Court, Central District, Case No. CV11 02279 (Project Labor Agreement Litigation).

At 7:26 p.m., President Dexter called for a closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a), Existing and Pending Litigation – eight cases: Antelope Valley Ground Water Cases and City of Palmdale vs. Palmdale Water District, Case No. BC413432 (Rate Litigation) and City of Palmdale vs. Palmdale Water District and Palmdale Water District Public Facilities Corporation, Case No. BC413907 (Validation Action) and Palmdale Water District vs. City of Palmdale, Case No. BC420492 (Recycled Water Litigation) and United States, et al. v. J-M Manufacturing Company, Inc., et al., United States District Court for the Central District of California Case No. ED CV06-0055-GW and Palmdale Water District vs. City of Palmdale, Case No. MC021487 (Excavation Permit Litigation) and Central Delta Water Agency vs. Department of Water Resources, Sacramento Superior Court Case No. 34-2010-80000561 and Los Angeles and Orange Counties Building and Construction Trades Council, et al. v. Palmdale Water District, United States District Court, Central District, Case No. CV11 02279 (Project

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*Labor Agreement Litigation).* Attorney Gosney participated in the closed session by telephone. President Dexter reconvened the regular meeting at 7:42 p.m.

# 12) Public Report of Any Action Taken in Closed Session.

President Dexter reported that a closed session had been held under Government Code Section 54956.9(a), Existing and Pending Litigation – eight cases: Antelope Valley Ground Water Cases and City of Palmdale vs. Palmdale Water District, Case No. BC413432 (Rate Litigation) and City of Palmdale vs. Palmdale Water District and Palmdale Water District Public Facilities Corporation, Case No. BC413907 (Validation Action) and Palmdale Water District vs. City of Palmdale, Case No. BC420492 (Recycled Water Litigation) and United States, et al. v. J-M Manufacturing Company, Inc., et al., United States District Court for the Central District of California Case No. ED CV06-0055-GW and Palmdale Water District vs. City of Palmdale, Case No. MC021487 (Excavation Permit Litigation) and Central Delta Water Agency vs. Department of Water Resources, Sacramento Superior Court Case No. 34-2010-80000561; and Los Angeles and Orange Counties Building and Construction Trades Council, et al. v. Palmdale Water District, United States District Court, Central District, Case No. CV11 02279 (Project Labor Agreement Litigation) and that no reportable action under the Brown Act was taken in closed session on any of these matters.

# 13) Board Members' Requests for Future Agenda Items.

Director Storm stated that due to the high cost of litigation, he requests an item be placed on the next agenda to consider repealing the Project Labor Agreement Policy before it costs the District any more money.

President Dexter stated that he will refer this to Attorney Gosney as a legal matter, and there were no further requests for future agenda items.

14) Adjournment.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

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# 2011 WATER AWARENESS CONTEST WINNERS

# RAINSTICK CONTEST:

# Mark Peterson - Tumbleweed School - 3<sup>rd</sup> grade:

#### Students:

Wilmer Aguilar Brianna Alaniz Aileen Calderon Steven Carranza Christopher Cantaneo Francisco Elenes Claudia Gallegos Amairani Gomez Lesly Gomez Brianna Gonzalez Jonathon Hernandez Iveth Herrera Gabriel Johnson Philip Lowe Wilmer Madrid Leo Mejorada Jose Muro Govanny Onofre Orlys Pena Jose Perez Steven Pleitez Cristian Ponce Alfredo Rodriguez Maria Rodriguez Juan Rosales Ashley Solorzano Jovanna Vargas Amy Vazquez David Villa

The following entries had less than one hundred percent participation:

♦ RAINSTICK- Grades K-3:
Mrs. Lockwood
Mrs. Howard
Tumbleweed School
3<sup>rd</sup> Grade
Mrs. Howard
Yucca School
3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

DELTA MAP CONTEST- Grades 4-6:
Ms. Kazek
Mrs. Wilkerson
AV Learning Academy
4<sup>th</sup> Grade
4<sup>th</sup> Grade

 WATER SAVINGS SLOGAN- Grades 7-12: Mr. Fairman
R. Rex Parris School
11 & 12 Grade