

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE WATER SUPPLY & RELIABILITY COMMITTEE OF THE PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT, MARCH 23, 2015:

A regular meeting of the Water Supply & Reliability Committee of the Palmdale Water District was held Monday, March 23, 2015, at 2029 East Avenue Q, Palmdale, California, in the Board Room of the District office. Chair Dizmang called the meeting to order.

1) Roll Call.

Attendance:

Water Supply & Reliability Cmte:
Gloria Dizmang, Chair
Vincent Dino, Committee
Member

Others Present:

Dennis LaMoreaux, General Manager
Matt Knudson, Assistant General Manager
Jon Pernula, Water & Energy Resources Director
Peter Thompson II, Deputy Water & Energy
Resources Director
Dawn Deans, Executive Assistant
0 members of the public

2) Adoption of Agenda.

It was moved by Committee Member Dino, seconded by Chair Dizmang, and unanimously carried to adopt the agenda, as written.

3) Public Comments.

There were no public comments.

4) Action Items:

4.1) Consideration and Possible Action on Approval of Minutes of Meeting Held February 23, 2015.

It was moved by Committee Member Dino, seconded by Chair Dizmang, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the Water Supply & Reliability Committee meeting held February 23, 2015, as written.

4.2) Presentation of Monthly Water Demand and Supply Status. (Water & Energy Resources Director Pernula)

Water & Energy Resources Director Pernula reviewed the water supply projections and charts included in the agenda packets through February, 2015 and stated that

projections and actual consumption are tracking good for this period and that he is revising the District's State Water Project delivery request.

4.3) Status on the Operations of the State Water Project. (Water & Energy Resources Director Pernula)

Water & Energy Resources Director Pernula stated that rice farmers may be curtailed in their water deliveries; that allocations will not be increased; and that full water flows will be delivered to fisheries as the environmental aspect of water deliveries are not affected by the drought and then reviewed the level of Lake Oroville, San Luis Reservoir storage levels, river flows, precipitation to date, overall reservoir conditions, and the indications of greater costs and less water from the State Water Project.

Chair Dizmang then stated that Agenda Item No. 5.4 would now be considered.

5) Project Updates.

5.4) Status on Drought. (Water & Energy Resources Director Pernula)

Water & Energy Resources Director Pernula stated that the current daily precipitation rate beat last year's rainfall total with several months left in the water year.

Chair Dizmang then stated that Agenda Item No. 5.1 would now be considered.

5.1) Littlerock Dam Sediment Removal Project. (Assistant General Manager Knudson)

Assistant General Manager Knudson stated that a meeting is scheduled next week with the Forest Service to review their comments on the draft environmental documents for this Project and that once comments are addressed, the environmental documents will be noticed for public review.

He then stated that the Forest Service has locked the gate at Littlerock Reservoir on a short term basis; that the permit agreement with the concessionaire has been terminated due to lack of maintenance and unsanitary conditions; and that the Forest Service may take over recreational facilities at the Reservoir until a long-term solution is developed.

He then stated that the Reservoir level is approximately five feet above minimum pool and that water is being diverted to Palmdale Lake as of today.

5.2) Palmdale Recycled Water Authority. (General Manager LaMoreaux)

General Manager LaMoreaux stated that the Palmdale Recycled Water Authority Board awarded a contract to Antelope Valley Engineering for just under \$200,000.00 for Phase 2 design work for the recycled water pipeline from 30th St. E. and Ave. R down 30th St. E. to Ave. R-8 and east on Ave. R-8 to Domenic Massari Park; that staff will research grants and loans to pay for the construction of the pipeline; and that Mike Mischel, City of Palmdale Director of Public Works, is scheduling a meeting with Los Angeles County Waterworks, Supervisor Antonovich, the City of Palmdale, the City of Lancaster, and Authority staff to move the recycled water allocation contract process forward.

5.3) City of Palmdale's Upper Amargosa Recharge Project. (Assistant General Manager Knudson)

Assistant General Manager Knudson stated that the four partner agencies for this Project are still reviewing the 60% construction design drawings prepared by GEI.

5.4) Status on Drought. (Water & Energy Resources Director Pernula)

Water & Energy Resources Director Pernula stated that the State Water Resources Control Board has issued new water conservation regulations, which include \$500 fines for violating these regulations, and that a public notice will be created once these regulations are finalized followed by discussion of the enforcement of these fines.

6) Information Items.

6.1) Water Purchase Opportunities. (Water & Energy Resources Director Pernula)

Water & Energy Resources Director Pernula stated that the District participates in the Dry Year Transfer Program, the Multi-Year Water Pool Program, the Yuba Accord Program, and strategy discussions for the use of this water and that staff is also working on several additional water purchase opportunities.

6.2) Other.

There were no further information items.

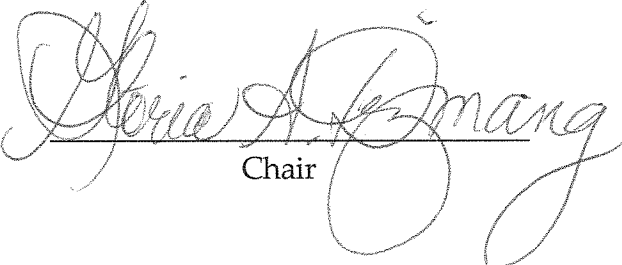
7) Board Members' Requests for Future Agenda Items.

There were no requests for future agenda items.

It was then stated that the next Water Supply & Reliability Committee meeting will be held April 20, 2015 at 2:30 p.m.

8) Adjournment.

There being no further business to come before the Water Supply & Reliability Committee, the meeting was adjourned.


Chair