

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE VALLECITOS WATER DISTRICT  
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15, 2022, AT 5:00 PM, AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE  
201 VALLECITOS DE ORO, SAN MARCOS, CALIFORNIA

President Elitharp called the Regular meeting to order at the hour of 5:00 p.m.

Present: Director Boyd-Hodgson  
Director Elitharp  
Director Hernandez  
Director Pennock  
Director Sannella

Staff Present: District Engineer Hubbard  
Legal Counsel Gilpin  
Operations & Maintenance Manager Pedrazzi  
Development Services Senior Engineer Lopez  
Public Information/Conservation Supervisor Robbins  
Principal Financial Analyst Arthur  
Information Technology Technician Todd  
Executive Assistant Johnson

Operations & Maintenance Manager Pedrazzi led the pledge of allegiance.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

None.

ADOPT AGENDA FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF JUNE 15, 2022

22-06-07 MOTION WAS MADE by Director Boyd-Hodgson, seconded by Director Pennock, and carried unanimously, to adopt the agenda for the Regular Board Meeting of June 15, 2022.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

CONSENT CALENDAR

22-06-08 MOTION WAS MADE by Director Sannella, seconded by Director Hernandez, and carried unanimously, to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

1.1 Warrant List through June 15, 2022 - \$5,364,914.09

1.2 Financial Reports

- A. Water Meter Count – May 31, 2022
- B. Water Production/Sales Report – 2021/2022
- C. Per Capita Water Consumption – May 31, 2022
- D. Water Revenue and Expense Report – May 31, 2022
- E. Sewer Revenue and Expense Report – May 31, 2022
- F. Reserve Funds Activity – May 31, 2022
- G. Investment Report – May 31, 2022
- H. Legal Fees Summary – May 31, 2022

1.3 Award of Construction Contract for the Repair of Asphalt Roads

ACTION ITEM(S)

WATER SUPPLY CONDITIONS UPDATE

Public Information/Conservation Supervisor Robbins stated the District issued a press release today announcing that customers may irrigate three times per week instead of two from June 1 to October 31. Local news stations NBC 7 and Fox News 5 interviewed him and aired stories regarding the current drought conditions.

Public Information/Conservation Supervisor Robbins further stated the State Water Resources Control Board has cut access to rivers and streams in the Delta. Over 4,000 water rights entities will not be able to pump water from rivers and streams.

Public Information/Conservation Supervisor Robbins facilitated a presentation, Update on Water Supply Conditions, as follows:

- Vallecitos Currently in a Level 2 – Drought Alert
- Northern Sierra 8-Station Precipitation Index
- Snowpack Water Content
- California Reservoir Storage
- Colorado River Status
- Three-Month Temperature Outlook
- Three-Month Precipitation Outlook
- Governor Newsom Asks Water Agencies to Submit Data Earlier

General discussion took place.

This item was presented for information only.

RESOLUTION ELECTING TO HAVE SEWER SERVICE FEES FOR IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT "A" FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2022 – JUNE 30, 2023, COLLECTED ON THE TAX ROLL

Principal Financial Analyst Arthur stated Sewer Improvement District "A" is a special area where Vallecitos provides sewer collection services, and another agency provides water service. The District elects to have the sewer service fees for Improvement District "A" collected on the tax roll in the same manner and at the same time together with the general property taxes. The State Health Code requires the District to specify on an annual basis the method it will use to collect sewer services fees for Improvement District "A" and hold a public hearing acknowledging this method of collection.

Staff recommended the Board adopt the resolution electing to have sewer service fees for Improvement District "A" for fiscal year July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023, collected on the tax roll and setting the public hearing for the Regular Board meeting on July 20, 2022.

General discussion took place.

22-06-09 MOTION WAS MADE by Director Sannella, seconded by Director Boyd-Hodgson, and carried unanimously, to adopt the resolution.

Resolution No. 1617 - The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES: Boyd-Hodgson, Hernandez, Pennock, Sannella, Elitharp  
NOES:  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT:

DISCUSSION OF SAINT ELIZABETH SETON CATHOLIC CHURCH FIRE SERVICE DETECTOR CHECK

Director Sannella stated that prior to this meeting, discussions have taken place with Saint Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church representatives and staff. The church's representatives are satisfied with how the discussions are proceeding and decided not to address the Board at this time.

District Engineer Hubbard stated the details of the detector check issue are detailed in the staff report included in the agenda packet for this meeting. Staff is currently working to resolve the issue by leaving the existing detector check assembly in its current location, upgrading the device to a double check assembly, and installing a fence over the pipeline between the right of way and the device to prevent any digging to expose the pipeline or make an illegal connection. The District will pursue an access easement and an agreement as to the responsibility of maintaining the pipeline between the right of way and the device. Saint Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church has already agreed to assume the risk.

General discussion took place regarding the need for flexibility in the District's current policy regarding non-compliant detector check assemblies.

## REPORTS

### GENERAL MANAGER

District Engineer Hubbard stated the San Diego County Water Authority (SDCWA) held a kick-off meeting today in regard to their master plan which he attended. The SDCWA will be seeking input from its member agencies.

### DISTRICT LEGAL COUNSEL

Legal Counsel Gilpin reminded staff of heightened rules and scrutiny of publications and mass mailings during the upcoming election season. He also reminded Directors of limitations on their actions while on the dais, and cautioned staff not to participate in political campaigning while in uniform.

Legal Counsel Gilpin noted an Association of California Water Agencies Region 9 program is scheduled on June 24 at Wilson Creek Winery in Temecula, California.

### SAN DIEGO COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY

Director Elitharp stated the SDCWA Board will hold their regular meeting on June 23.

### ENCINA WASTEWATER AUTHORITY

Director Hernandez reported that the Capital Improvement Committee met this morning. The Committee discussed several capital improvement projects and the annual renewal of the Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) consultant contract.

Director Sannella stated the Policy and Finance Committee has not met since the last Board meeting, and that the EWA Board will hold a Special Closed Session meeting on June 16.

### STANDING COMMITTEES

Director Boyd-Hodgson stated the Public Awareness/ Personnel/ Policy Committee met on June 6. The Committee has reached a consensus on scholarship recipients and will present their recommendations to the Board at a future meeting.

DIRECTORS REPORTS ON TRAVEL/CONFERENCES/SEMINARS ATTENDED

Directors Elitharp and Hernandez reported on their attendance to the San Marcos Chamber of Commerce State of the City Luncheon on June 8.

OTHER BUSINESS

None.

DIRECTORS COMMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Director Pennock requested an update on the hillside property project. Director Hernandez stated a geotechnical report is being prepared. The Hillside Property Development Ad Hoc Committee will provide a presentation to the Board at a future meeting.

Director Boyd-Hodgson suggested the Public Awareness/Personnel/Policy Committee discuss how the District could recognize Pride Month.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, President Elitharp adjourned the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors at the hour of 5:30 p.m.

A Regular Meeting of the Vallecitos Board of Directors has been scheduled for Wednesday, July 6, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. at the District office, 201 Vallecitos de Oro, San Marcos, California.

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Craig Elitharp, President  
Board of Directors  
Vallecitos Water District

ATTEST:

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Jason Hubbard, District Engineer  
Vallecitos Water District