

**MINUTES OF MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
PUENTE BASIN WATER AGENCY**

February 4, 2021

Rowland Water District hosted the Zoom Teleconference Meeting

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Theresa Lee, Commissioner
Anthony Lima, Commissioner
Robert Lewis, Commissioner
Jerry Tang, Commissioner
Scarlett Kwong, Alternate Commissioner

STAFF PRESENT:

Erik Hitchman, Administrative Officer
Tom Coleman, Assistant Administrative Officer
Josh Byerrum, Treasurer
Myra Malner, Assistant Treasurer
Jim Ciampa, Legal Counsel
Carmen Fleming, Secretary

Staff, guests and others in attendance: Ms. Rose Perea, Mr. Dave Warren, Rowland Water District; and Ms. Sherry Shaw, Mr. Brian Teuber, Walnut Valley Water District.

The Zoom teleconference meeting was called to order at 7:03 a.m. with Chair Lewis presiding.

Item IV: Public Comment

None.

Item V: Approval of Minutes for December 10, 2020

Upon consideration thereof, it was moved by Commissioner Lima, seconded by Commissioner Lee, and carried (4-0) to approve the minutes of the Commission meeting held December 10, 2020. A roll call vote was then taken:

Yes: Lee, Lewis, Lima, Tang

Noes: None

Motion Passed (4-0)

Chair Lewis indicated that the motion was approved by a 4-0 roll call vote

Item VI: Receive and File Rowland and Walnut Valley Water Districts' 2021 - PBWA Board Member Appointment Resolutions

- ◆ Mr. Hitchman reported that the attached resolutions appointing Rowland and Walnut Valley Water Districts' Commissioners for 2021 were adopted by Rowland and Walnut Valley Water District's respective Boards of Directors.

Upon consideration thereof, it was moved by Commissioner Lee, seconded by Commissioner Lima, and unanimously carried (4-0), to receive and file the Rowland and Walnut Valley Water Districts' 2021 PBWA Board Member appointment resolutions.

Chair Lewis indicated that the motion was approved by a 4-0 vote

Item VII: Annual Selection of Commission Officers and Commission Staff

- ◆ As per the rotation policy, the Commission selected Commissioner Tang to be the Chair and Commissioner Lima be seated as Vice-Chair of the Puente Basin Water Agency for the 2021 term, effective immediately.

Upon consideration thereof, it was moved by Commissioner Lee, seconded by Commissioner Lewis, and unanimously carried (4-0) that Commissioner Tang be seated as Chair, and Commissioner Lima be seated as Vice-Chair of the Puente Basin Water Agency for the 2021 term, effective immediately.

Chair Lewis indicated that the motion was approved by a 4-0 vote

Commissioner Tang proceeded as Chair for the remainder of the meeting

- ◆ Also, the annual appointment of Secretary, Treasurer, Administrative Officer, Assistant Administrative Officer and Assistant Treasurer shall be as set forth in the JPA Agreement.

Upon consideration thereof, it was moved by Commissioner Lima, seconded by Commissioner Tang, and unanimously carried (4-0), that, in accordance with the Agency's JPA Agreement, the Agency's administrative positions will be as follows: Mr. Coleman as Assistant Administrative Officer, Ms. Malner as Assistant Treasurer, Ms. Fleming as Secretary, Mr. Byerrum as Treasurer, and Mr. Hitchman as Administrative Officer of the Puente Basin Water Agency, for the 2021 term, effective immediately.

Chair Tang indicated that the motion was approved by a 4-0 vote

Item VIII: Review of Financial Statements: Second Quarter of FY 20-21

- ◆ Mr. Byerrum reviewed the Second Quarter Fiscal Year 2020-21 financials.

Upon consideration thereof, it was moved by Commissioner Lewis, seconded by Commissioner Lee, and unanimously carried (4-0), to approve, receive and file the financial statements for the Second Quarter of Fiscal Year 2020-21.

Yes: Lee, Lewis, Lima, Tang

Noes: None

Motion Passed (4-0)

Chair Tang indicated that the motion was approved by a 4-0 roll call vote

Item IX: ACWA/JPIA President's Special Recognition Awards

Item X: Regional Water Supply Reliability Program Updates/Status:

(1) *California Domestic Water Company*

- ◆ Mr. Coleman reported that the Cal Domestic project was continuing to operate at a single pump flow.

(2) *Pathfinder Road-Colima Interties*

- ◆ Ms. Shaw reported that the project is continuing to move forward.

(3) *Pomona Basin Regional Groundwater Project*

- a. *Six Basins Groundwater Project Update:* Ms. Shaw reported that staff is working with the contractors to continue the work on the project. The installation of the 36-inch valve had taken place successfully. The Old Baldy section of the project was completed and the Durward section is expected to be completed in the coming weeks.

- b. *Proposition 84:* Mr. Hitchman will be preparing and submitting the project quarterly report.

(4) *Central Basin Well*

- a. *Central Basin Well Site Evaluation:* No updates on this item.

(5) *Proposition 1 Integrated Regional Water Management Grant:*

- ◆ Mr. Hitchman reported that staff receives regular updates from Wendy La, of LASER, Inc. She is currently tracking the progress of grant-funded projects.

Item XI: Commission Follow-Up

- ◆ The Commission received a follow-up report on prior actions.

Item XII: Commissioner Comments

None.

Item XIII: Items for Future Discussion/Review

None.

Item XIV: Attorney's Report

- ◆ Mr. Ciampa updated the Commission on the start date of the Emergency Preparedness Coordinator for the Public Water Agencies Group (PWAG), as well as the potential WRD funding for PFAS treatment in the Central Basin.

Item XV: Public Comment on Closed Session

There were no requests to comment on closed session.

Item XVI: Closed Session: No Closed Session held

- (1) The Commission met in closed session in accordance with Government Code [§54956.8] to discuss one real property matter. The negotiators are Mr. Tom Coleman and Mr. Erik Hitchman. The negotiating parties are various property owners. Under negotiations are the price and terms of payment.

- (2) The Commission met in closed session in accordance with Government Code [§54956.8] to discuss one real property matter pertaining to the acquisition and/or lease of Central Basin water rights. The negotiators are Mr. Tom Coleman and Mr. Erik Hitchman. The negotiating parties are various water rights holders. Under negotiations are the price and terms of payment.

- (3) The Commission met in closed session in accordance with Government Code 54956.9(d)(4) regarding anticipated litigation concerning one case.

Item XVII: Reconvene in Open Session– No Closed Session held

Adjournment – 7:57 a.m.

There being no further business to discuss, upon consideration thereof, it was moved by Commissioner Lima, seconded by Commissioner Lee and unanimously carried (4-0), to adjourn to the next Commission meeting to be held April 1, 2021.