

HELIX WATER DISTRICT

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MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Wednesday, June 3, 2015 – 2 p.m.

7811 University Avenue, La Mesa, CA 91942-0427

1. President Verbeke called the meeting to order at 2 p.m. The roll call showed Directors Verbeke, Muse, Hedberg, Linden and Scalzitti present.

Staff present: Lugo, Umphres, Stoia, Hayman, Tomasulo, Bryant, Janzen, Olney, Ross, Lawler, Geitz, Salois, Fox, Masterson and Annett. General Counsel Elizabeth Hull was also present.

Others present: Attorney Neal Meyers, Meyers Fozi, LLP.

2. Director Hedberg gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. General Manager Carlos V. Lugo reported there were no additions or deletions to the agenda. The agenda was approved unanimously.

Motion:	Linden
Second:	Hedberg
Vote:	5 ayes

4. President Verbeke provided opportunity for members of the public to address the board on any item under the subject matter jurisdiction of the district. There was no one to be heard.
5. The consent agenda was approved unanimously.

Motion:	Linden
Second:	Hedberg
Vote:	5 ayes

- a) The following operating account checks submitted for ratification were approved:
 - i. list dated May 19, 2015
 - ii. list dated May 26, 2015
- b) Memorandum dated June 3, 2015, from the board secretary submitting expense and per diem claims was approved.

c) The following minutes were approved:

i. regular board meeting of May 20, 2015

6. The board adopted Resolution 15-39 authorizing execution of the quitclaim of two aligned easements over portions of lot 10 of Le-Al subdivision, portions of lot 104 of La Mesa Colony, and portions of parcel 1 of parcel map 6473, in the city of La Mesa, county of San Diego, state of California, assessor parcel numbers 464-280-35 and 464-292-06 and 18. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion:	Hedberg
Second:	Linden
Vote:	5 ayes

7. The board adopted Resolution 15-40 establishing classifications and monthly rates of pay for Helix Water District employees effective July 1, 2015, and rescinded Resolution 14-26. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion:	Scalzitti
Second:	Linden
Vote:	5 ayes

INFORMATION:

- A. The board received information on the status of the East County Regional Water Reuse Program Feasibility Study. Discussion ensued. General Manager Carlos V. Lugo stated that in the future, the board of directors will need to evaluate the value of a drought proof water source.
- B. The board received information on events to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the R.M. Levy Water Treatment Plant. Two events are planned: an open house for district employees, retirees and their family members from 3:30-7:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 17, 2015, and an open house for public officials from 9-11 a.m. on Friday, September 18, 2015. Director Hedberg requested commemorative pins be purchased in addition to the other gifts. An invitee list was distributed to the board of directors with a request to provide any additional names to the board secretary by Monday, June 8, 2015.

DISCUSSION:

- A. President Verbeke provided a written report and stated the turnout and media coverage at The Water Conservation Garden on June 1, 2015 was great.
- B. Vice President Muse and Director Linden provided a written report.
- C. General Manager Lugo did not provide a report.

- D. General Counsel Elizabeth Hull stated a class action lawsuit has been filed against Marin Municipal Water District regarding tiered water rates. Director Hedberg clarified that Helix Water District's tiered rates are justified.
- E. Board Secretary Sandra L. Janzen reviewed future agenda items and confirmed the June 17 regular board meeting would be held at 2 p.m. Lake Jennings Committee Chair Director Scalzitti stated he would contact Ms. Janzen by Friday, June 5, 2015, with any agenda items for the Lake Jennings Committee/special board meeting on June 10, 2015.

President Verbeke adjourned the meeting to closed session at 2:56 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION:

- A. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION**
Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(1)
Williams v. Helix Water District
Case number: 37-2013-00073219
- B. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**
Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(2)
Number of potential cases: 1

President Verbeke reconvened open session at 3:34 p.m. General Counsel Elizabeth Hull stated the board rejected a claim made by Mr. Cody Nelson.

There was no other reportable action.

President Verbeke adjourned the meeting at 3:35 p.m.

ATTEST:

Sandra L. Janzen, Board Secretary

DeAna R. Verbeke, President

