

**A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
SAN GABRIEL BASIN WATER QUALITY AUTHORITY
MARCH 21, 2012 at 12:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER	The Chairman called the regular meeting of the San Gabriel Basin Water Quality Authority to order and reviewed the actions anticipated on the agenda for the meeting.
ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS	Greg Nordbak, Louie Aguiñaga, Jim Byerrum, Bob Kuhn, Mike Whitehead, Ed Chavez and John Leung
BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT	None
STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT	Ken Manning, Executive Director; Randy Schoellerman, Assistant Executive Director/Senior Engineer; Stephanie Moreno, Admin/IS Assistant; Michelle Sanchez, Admin/Accounting Assistant; Dan Colby, Project Resource Manager; Mary Saenz, Director of Finance; Art Kidman, Legal Counsel
MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT	Dan Horan, Three Valleys MWD; Lenet Pacheco, Valley County Water District; Stephen Millard, Upper San Gabriel Valley MWD; Bill Snyder, NDE; Joe Gardner, Candidate for State Assembly 48 th District
ITEMS TOO LATE TO BE AGENDIZED	None.
PUBLIC COMMENT	<p>Mr. Kuhn introduced Mr. Joe Gardner who is a candidate for the California State Assembly 48th District.</p> <p>Mr. Gardner thanked Mr. Kuhn for his introduction and gave a brief report on his background.</p>
CONSENT CALENDAR	Mr. Byerrum moved to approve the consent calendar as presented. Mr. Kuhn seconded the motion and it was approved with the following abstention: Mr. Whitehead abstained from project demand Nos. 3469 and 3476 and Mr. Byerrum abstained from project demand No. 3475.
COMMITTEE REPORTS	
<i>Administrative/Finance Committee Report</i>	Mr. Manning reported that the minutes for the meeting held on March 13, 2012 were enclosed for review.
<i>Discussion/Action Regarding Draft</i>	Ms. Saenz presented the results of the draft audited financial

*Audited Financial Statements for
the Fiscal Year Ended June 30,
2011*

statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011. She reported that the auditors plan to issue an unqualified “clean” audit opinion. She indicated that it was the auditor’s responsibility to plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable but not absolute, assurance that the financial statements were free of material misstatement. She reported that they did not identify any material weakness or significant deficiencies in internal controls.

Mr. Leung left the board meeting room.

After general discussion, Mr. Kuhn moved to approve the draft audit. Mr. Aguiñaga seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

*San Gabriel Basin Groundwater
Quality Management and
Remediation Plan “§406 Plan”*

Mr. Manning reported on the comments that were received on the draft §406 Plan for 2012. He indicated that the comments that were received were incorporated into the draft plan and the administrative/finance committee has recommended that the draft plan be adopted.

Mr. Aguiñaga moved to adopt the draft plan for 2012. Mr. Chavez seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

*Discussion/Action Regarding Draft
404 Report for March 2012*

Mr. Manning reported that the draft 404 report was enclosed for review and that all of the changes made to the report were noted in red.

Mr. Aguiñaga moved to approve the draft 404 report. Mr. Chavez seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

*Discussion/Action Regarding WQA
Board Members Cost of Living
Adjustment (“COLA”) for Fiscal
Year 2012/2013*

Mr. Manning reported that per ordinance 2006-001, the COLA for the Board Members would be increased by the lesser of the January consumer price index (CPI) or 5%. He indicated that the January CPI was 2.1%. He noted that the Administrative/Finance Committee recommended that the Board consider waiving the increase for fiscal year 2012-2013.

Mr. Kuhn moved to wave the increase of 2.1% for the Board Members’ COLA. Mr. Chavez seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

*Discussion/Action Regarding
Annual Renewal of the San Gabriel
Valley Economic Partnership
Leader Level Membership*

Mr. Manning reported that it was time to renew the WQA’s membership with the San Gabriel Valley Economic Partnership and he described the many benefits that WQA receives.

Mr. Aguiñaga moved to approve the annual membership to the San Gabriel Valley Economic Partnership. Mr. Chavez seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Engineering Committee Report

Mr. Manning reported that the minutes for the meeting held on March 13, 2012 were enclosed for review.

Mr. Schoellerman noted that the committee discussed staff investigating the application process for additional funding for the Whitmore Street Groundwater Remediation Facility from the State Board's Cleanup and Abatement Account.

***Legislative/Public Information
Committee Report***

Mr. Manning reported that the minutes for the meeting held on March 14, 2012 were enclosed for review.

***Discussion/Action Regarding San
Gabriel Valley Water Summit***

Mr. Manning reported that the San Gabriel Valley MWD has requested that the WQA participate in a valley-wide water summit to discuss the water issues in the San Gabriel Valley.

Mr. Chavez moved to approve the WQA's participation in the San Gabriel Valley Water Summit. Mr. Aguiñaga seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

OTHER ACTION ITEMS

***Discussion Regarding Baldwin
Park Operable Unit Maps***

Mr. Manning reported that WQA now has access to maps for the Baldwin Park Operable Unit that shows a better picture of the contamination. He indicated that these maps were used in their meetings in Washington, D.C. and felt that they were very helpful.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Schoellerman gave a brief update on the B6 facility and the valve malfunction that took place the previous month. He indicated that the project was expected to be back online within the week.

Mr. Manning commended the San Gabriel Valley Water Company on the actions they took to remedy the situation and to notify the public.

Mr. Schoellerman reported that everything was still moving forward with the El Monte Operable Unit Eastside project CEQA process and that staff was still waiting to hear from the CDPH regarding the final Prop. 84 funding list.

ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS

None.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S
REPORT**

Mr. Manning reported that staff was still working on the regional discharge permit. He also reported that he would be attending a mandatory settlement conference for the SEMOU the following morning.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

**FUTURE BOARD AND
COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

The next Administrative/Finance Committee meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, April 10, 2012 at 12:00 P.M.

The next Engineering Committee meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, April 10, 11 2012 at 1:00 P.M.

The next Legislative/Public Information Committee meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, April 11, 2012 at 12:00 P.M.

The next WQA Board meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, April 18, 2012 at 12:00 P.M.

**BOARD MEMBERS'
COMMENTS/
REPORTS**

Mr. Chavez commended the San Gabriel Valley Water Company on the action they took with their situation at their B6 facility.

CLOSED SESSION

A closed session was held.

Mr. Nordbak reported that no action was taken on items (a) and (b).

Regarding item (c) Public Employee Performance Evaluation Title: Legal Counsel, Mr. Norbak reported that an ad-hoc committee was formed to draft an RFP for general counsel services. He indicated that the ad-hoc committee consisted of: Mr. Whitehead, Mr. Aguiñaga, and Mr. Chavez.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chairman asked if there were any other items of business to come before the Board. There being none, the Board meeting was adjourned to April 18, 2012 at 12:00 P.M.



J. Greg Nordbak, Chairman



Bob Kuhn, Secretary