

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF THE
VICTOR VALLEY WASTEWATER RECLAMATION AUTHORITY
August 11, 2008**

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Rudy Cabriales called the meeting to order at 8:25 a.m. at the Victor Valley Wastewater Reclamation Authority Regional Treatment Plant (VWVRA), located at 20111 Shay Road, Victorville, California, with the following members present:

**TOWN OF APPLE VALLEY
HESPERIA WATER DISTRICT
CITY OF VICTORVILLE
ORO GRANDE (CSA 42) AND
SPRING VALLEY LAKE (CSA 64)**

**Bob Sagona
Thurston Smith
Rudy Cabriales
Tom Sutton**

VWVRA Staff and Legal Counsel:

**Logan Olds, General Manager
Piero Dallarda, Legal Counsel (BB&K)
Gilbert Perez, Director of Operations
Linda Ellsworth, Mgmt. Tech. to GM
Kristi Scott, Administrative Aide
Kellie Patterson, Accounting Tech III
Jome Navarat, EH&S Risk Training Specialist
Vince Vitale, Construction Inspector
Elaine Gutierrez, Env. Compliance Aide
Gina Cloutier, Laboratory Supervisor
Joe Gomez, Operations
Roy Dagnino, Operations
R.C. Elliott, Operations
Chuck Trammel, Operations
Randy Main, Maintenance
Pat Nave, Maintenance
Nick Turlo, Maintenance
Rick Billings, Purchasing Technician**

**Patricia Johnson, Secretary to the GM/Board
Angela Valles, Director of Human Resources
Tacey Barclay, Accounting Tech III
Robert Coromina, Network Supervisor
Toni Henning, Human Resources Tech
Bruce Correia, IS Coordinator
Chris Anthony, Project Construction Manager
Marce Delaney, Env. Compliance Supervisor
Troy Minnick, Env. Compliance Inspector
Chris Wills, Lab Technician
Gabe Chico, Operations
Tim Davis, Operations
Freddie Salazar, Operations
Eugene Davis, Operations
Mark McGee, Maintenance
Brent Keaster, Maintenance
Mauricio Marin, Maintenance**

Others Present:

**Blake Anderson, Blake Anderson Consulting
Joe Flores, City of Victorville
Peter Allan, Town of Apple Valley
Frank Robinson, Town of Apple Valley
John Marhofer, San Bernardino Co. Sheriff
Cindy Miller, RBF Consulting
John Morales, Lahontan RWQCB
Guillermo Garcia, HDR Engineering
Manuel Benitez, San Bernardino County**

**Ed Pack, City of Hesperia
Mike Boock, City of Victorville
Rick Roelle, Town of Apple Valley
Bill Pattison, Town of Apple Valley
Dave Larsen, SSC Construction
Kevin Schmidt, RBF Consulting
Blake Anderson, Blake Anderson Consulting
Scott Weldy, Apple Valley Ranchos Water**

REGULAR SESSION

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Cabriales called the meeting to order at 8:25 a.m. in the Operations and Maintenance building. He extended thanks to the staff for their efforts in preparing for today's ribbon-cutting ceremony and facility tour.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments from a member of the public.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

None.

REPORTS OR PRESENTATIONS:

1. Ribbon-cutting Ceremony and Tour of Completed 14.5 MGD and 18 MGD Expansion Project Upgrades and Improvements at Regional Treatment Plant in Victorville

Manager Olds announced that when he came to VVWRA in April 2006, the treatment plant was not operating efficiently. Staff was able to correct the problems within six months time with assistance from the City of Victorville. Manager Olds thanked Joe Flores and Mike Boock of the City of Victorville for their efforts during that time. Manager Olds reported that many process improvements and upgrades have been made to the treatment plant since his arrival at VVWRA and the agency has an absolutely superb Director of Operations, Gilbert Perez, who will be providing a presentation this morning.

The presentation provided by Gilbert Perez included an overview of the treatment plant processes and general information regarding the agency and its employees. Following the presentation, a ribbon-cutting ceremony was held. Chair Cabriales cut the ribbon that was held by all members of the Board of Commissioners as photographs were taken.

Manager Olds conducted a tour of the treatment facility that included a description of the functions of the following process locations:

- Solids Handling
- Grit Chamber
- Primary Clarifiers
- Aeration Tanks
- Secondary Clarifiers
- Turbidimeter
- Tertiary Filters
- Outfall to Mojave River

NEXT BOARD MEETING:

Thursday, August 21, 2008 – Regular Meeting of the VVWRA Board of Commissioners

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Sutton said the treatment plant has never looked better than it does today.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon return to the Operations and Maintenance building at 9:40 a.m., Commissioner Sutton made a motion to adjourn the Special meeting, which was seconded by Commissioner Smith and approved by unanimous voice vote.

APPROVAL:

DATE: 9/19/08
Approved by VVWRA Board

BY: 
Thurston Smith, Secretary
VVWRA Board of Commissioners