

MINUTES
 REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS
 LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA
 MAY 17, 2007

The Board of Water Commissioners of the City of Long Beach met in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 1800 E. Wardlow Road, Long Beach, California, on May 17, 2007.

The meeting was called to order at 9:15 a.m. by President Clarke.

PRESENT:	Frank Clarke	Commissioner
	William B. Townsend	Commissioner
	Stephen T. Conley	Commissioner
	Helen Z. Hansen	Commissioner
	Charles Parkin	Principal Deputy City Attorney
	Kevin L. Wattier	General Manager
	Sandra L. Fox	Secretary to the Board of Water Commissioners
	Robert C. Cheng	Deputy General Manager – Operations
	B. Anatole Falagan	Deputy General Manager – Business
	Ryan J. Alsop	Director, Government & Public Affairs
	Matthew P. Lyons	Director, Planning & Conservation
	Eric Leung	Director of Water Resources
	Paul Fujita	Director of Finance
	David Honey	Administrative Officer
	Melissa L. Keyes	Administrative Analyst II/Special Projects Coordinator
	Rhodora Concepcion	Office Administrator
	Ken Bott	Administrative Analyst III
	Nancy Morlock	Administrative Analyst III
	Jerry Miller	City Manager
	Gail Wasil	Spouse of Mr. Miller
ABSENT:	Isaac C. Pai	Director of Engineering

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Jerry Miller, led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. RECOGNITION FOR GERALD R. MILLER, LONG BEACH CITY MANAGER FOR THIS DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE CITY OF LONG BEACH AND SUPPORT FOR THE LONG BEACH WATER DEPARTMENT

The Board presented a resolution to retiring City Manager, Gerald R. Miller and recognized his service to the City and his support for the Long Beach Water Department. Mr. Miller was also made an honorary Water Ambassador and was presented with his own Water Ambassador jacket.

NOTE: Commissioner Conley joined the meeting at 9:20 A.M.

NOTE: AGENDA ITEMS 3 & 4 WERE CONSIDERED LATER IN THE MEETING

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

May 3, 2007

Upon motion by Commissioner Hansen, seconded by Commissioner Townsend and unanimously carried, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 3, 2007, were approved.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

President Clarke opened the public comment period. As there were no requests to address the Board, the public comment period was closed.

7. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- **Frank Clarke, President, Board of Water Commissioners**

None.

8. REVIEW BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE FOR JUNE 2007

- **Frank Clarke, President, Board of Water Commissioners**

The Board discussed the meeting schedule for the month of June 2007 and agreed to the following meeting schedule:

June 7, 2007	Regular Meeting, 9:15 A.M.
June 14, 2007	Committee of the Whole Meeting, 9:15 A.M.
June 21, 2007	Regular Meeting, 9:15 A.M.
June 28, 2007	Committee of the Whole Meeting, 9:15 A.M.

9. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

- **Kevin L. Wattier, General Manager**

RECYCLED WATER SYSTEM

Mr. Robert Cheng provided a status report on the recycled water system. He noted that the Los Angeles County Sanitation District plant maintenance at the wastewater plant will continue throughout the summer. He advised of the following conditions in light of this maintenance:

- Plant capacity is cut in half, to 10 mgd
- Normal demand 2mgd to 4 mgd, but recently demand had spiked

Mr. Cheng reported that staff plans to work with the Los Angeles County Sanitation District to maximize plant output during this outage; talking with users, like THUMS, for a tentative back-up to recycled water.

Commissioner Hansen inquired if the repairs were needed and necessary. Mr. Cheng responded that the Los Angeles County Sanitation District normally schedules their plant maintenance for the summer period.

Mr. Wattier advised that LBWD staff would continue to work closely with the Los Angeles County Sanitation District during this plant maintenance, and would keep the Board apprised of the plant status.

NOTE: AGENDA ITEMS 3 & 4 WERE TAKEN OUT OF ORDER AT THIS POINT IN THE MEETING

**3. PUBLIC HEARING – 9:32 A.M.
AMEND LONG BEACH WATER DEPARTMENT 2005 URBAN WATER
MANAGEMENT PLAN**

President Clarke opened the Public Hearing regarding amendments to the Long Beach Water Department 2005 Urban Water Management Plan.

Mr. Lyons made a presentation regarding the proposed amendments to the 2005 Urban Water Management Plan.

As there were no comments from the public or board members, President Clarke closed the Public Hearing.

**4. AUTHORIZE ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS TO THE LONG BEACH WATER
DEPARTMENT 2005 URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN (UWMP)**
• **Matthew P. Lyons, Director of Conservation & Planning**

It was moved by Commissioner Hansen, seconded by Commissioner Townsend and unanimously approved that the Board authorize adoption of amendments to the Long Beach Water Department 2005 Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP).

NOTE: BALANCE OF AGENDA ITEM 9., GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT TOOK PLACE AT THIS POINT IN THE AGENDA

9. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT CONTINUED

- **Kevin L. Wattier, General Manager**

AB640 (De La Torre) Update

Mr. Ryan Alsop provided an update (and distributed a summary paper) on AB640 and summarized events that transpired in the passage of this bill out of the Appropriations Committee onto the Assembly floor for consideration. He advised the bill needs to pass to the Senate by June 8th, 2007. He reported if this does not happen it is possible this could become a two-year bill.

Commissioner Hansen complimented Mr. Alsop for his incredible job on legislative activities related to this bill.

Board Cubbie Items

Mr. Wattier reviewed a letter from the Aquarium of the Pacific requesting support regarding their *Watershed Education Project*. Mr. Wattier suggested that staff would schedule a study session regarding this matter at a later Committee of the Whole meeting. Commissioner Conley suggested that Barbara Long, from the Aquarium of the Pacific attend this workshop to provide a briefing on this issue, and the Board review this item no later than mid-June 2007.

10. LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT

- **Charles Parkin, Principal Deputy City Attorney**

No report was given.

11. CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Commissioner Conley and seconded by Commissioner Hansen that the Board approve Consent Calendar items 11a. through 11c. These consent calendar items were unanimously approved.

11a. Approval of Transfer of Funds by Journal Entry Dated May 17, 2007

A communication was presented to the Board from Paul Fujita, which is on file at the Long Beach Water Department.

11b. Authorize the General Manager to Sign a Positive Location of Underground Utilities Agreement (POSLOC Agreement) with the California Department of Transportation (CALTRANS)

A communication was presented to the Board from Isaac Pai, which is on file at the Long Beach Water Department.

11c. Authorize the General Manager to Execute the Developer's Agreement with Boeing Realty Corporation to construct new potable water lines, reclaimed water lines and sewer lines for the Segment 4 Development – Douglas Park

A communication was presented to the Board from Isaac Pai, which is on file at the Long Beach Water Department.

12. REPORT OF THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT (MWD) BOARD MEETING ON MAY 8, 2007

- **Helen Z. Hansen, MWD Director**

Commissioner Hansen, in her capacity as the City of Long Beach MWD Director, provided a report of the MWD Board of Director's meeting of May 8, 2007, and highlighted the following agenda items: 1) Arvin-Edison Agreement (upgrades to Central Valley groundwater-banking program); 2) Urgent repairs to San Diego Pipeline No. 5; 3) MWD Board adopted a chromium 6 action plan aimed at expediting groundwater cleanup at a PG & E compressor station along Colorado River Aqueduct; 4) Board adopted a resolution to impose and extend a Water Standby Charge for fiscal 2007/08; 5) Board received a report on a proposed framework for Metropolitan's Delta Action Plan.

13. REVIEW OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP) BUDGET

- **Eric Leung, Director of Water Resources**

Mr. Leung reviewed a PowerPoint presentation with the Board regarding the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Budget which included Water System Projects; Recycled Water Facility Improvements; Sewer Collection System Improvements, and Facility Improvements.

Commissioner Townsend requested that future CIP budget presentations include an item specifically identifying those projects funded by grants.

14. NEW BUSINESS

President Clarke reminded the Board that the May 24, 2007 Committee of the Whole meeting had been cancelled and rescheduled to Thursday, May 31, 2007.

Commissioner Hansen reported that she had received a thank you note from the Long Beach Yacht Club youth group thanking the LBWD for their donation of bottled water for their recent "Fun Run" event.

Commissioner Conley reported on the recent main breaks that had occurred in his Spinnaker Bay neighborhood. He passed on compliments that he had received from his fellow neighbors to the LBWD repair crew employees regarding their responsiveness and courteous behavior.

Ms. Melissa Keyes reminded the board members regarding the upcoming Solar Cup event being held at Skinner Lake May 18 – May 20, 2007. She advised that teams from Poly and Millikan high schools would be participating with 41 other Southern California high schools during this competition.

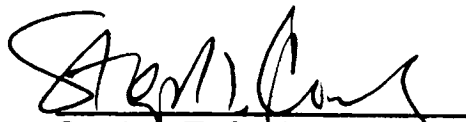
President Clarke commented on a recent "Life & Times" program he had viewed on KCET regarding the vast aquifer (as big as Lake Tahoe) under the San Gabriel Valley that is partially polluted with industrial solvents and rocket fuel from aerospace sites. He advised that the EPA had declared the San Gabriel water basin a superfund site.

Commissioner Townsend advised he had received a thank you note from the Boy Scouts for the Board regarding their table sponsorship at the recent Boy Scouts awards dinner.

Commissioner Townsend commented on the May 15, 2007 council meeting presentation regarding Water Awareness month, and complimented President Clarke on his comments.

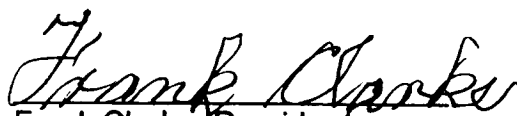
15. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Clarke adjourned the meeting at 10:45 a.m. to the next Regular Meeting of the Water Commission to be held on Thursday, June 7, 2007, at 9:15 a.m., in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 1800 E. Wardlow, in Long Beach, California



Stephen T. Cohley, Secretary

Attest:



Frank Clarke, President