

## **Cabazon Water District**

14618 Broadway Street • P.O. Box 297 Cabazon, California 92230

## **REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

#### **MINUTES**

# **Meeting Location:**

14618 Broadway St. Cabazon, CA 92230

### Teleconference:

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## **Meeting Date:**

Tuesday, February 20, 2024 - 6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE REMEMBRANCE OF OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN ROLL CALL

**Director Melissa Carlin - Present Director Taffy Brock - Present** Director Alan Davis - Present **Director Terry Tincher - Present** Director Sarah Wargo - Absent Michael Pollack, General Manager - Present Evelyn Aguilar, Board Secretary - Present

Note: This meeting was recorded by the District

## CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters in this category are considered to be consistent with the Board/District goals, District Policies and Regulations adopted and/or approved by the Board of Directors, and will be enacted in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is required, items may be removed from the consent calendar and will be considered separately.

## 1. Approval of:

a. Finance and Audit Committee Meeting Minutes and Warrants of January 16, 2024

- Regular Board Meeting Minutes and Warrants of January 16, 2024
- > The Board Secretary changed the signature name and title on the last pages to Terry Tincher, Vice Board Chair, since Director Wargo was not present. The contents of the Minutes were not changed.

Motion to approve following consent calendar items (a.) Finance and Audit Committee Meeting Minutes and Warrants of January 16, 2024 and (b.) Regular Board Meeting Minutes and Warrants of January 16, 2024 made by Director Davis and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Director Brock.

Director Carlin - Ave **Director Brock - Aye Director Davis - Aye Director Tincher - Ave** Director Wargo - Absent

- 2. Warrants None
- 3. Awards of Contracts None

## **UPDATES**

1. Update:

**CWD Operations Report** 

(by GM Pollack)

- The CWD tour is set to be held on 02/22 at 2 PM. SGPWA Director Duncan mentioned that he would like to visit the tour sites with SGPWA Director Walton eventually, but he wouldn't be able to make it on 02/22.
- > The Bonita Vault materials have been ordered. The District is currently waiting for the vault to be completed by OldCastle Precast.
- At the aging infrastructure meeting with Senator Ochoa Bogh, there was discussion of what the State should invest in, what helpful and negative things has the State done so far, and what potential issues are likely to occur in the future.
- > GM Pollack met with Victor Diaz and a representative of Supervisor Gutierrez. Not much has changed since the last update.
- > 50100 Main was purchased by CWD in 2016 for \$65,000.
- ➤ A new ¾" service was installed on Taos for \$13,384.
- > New hydrant locks were made by CWD employee, James Dowling. The material costs about \$25 per lock. Locks that are already assembled usually range from \$200-\$600 each.

#### OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Discussion/Updates: Discussion/Updates with SGPWA Director(s) regarding various matters
- > SGPWA Ron Duncan shared that he attended a groundbreaking ceremony for a pump station in Cherry Valley. He also shared that SGPWA had a joint meeting with San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District regarding the Delta Conveyance Project. Also, he mentioned that they presented an impressive list of the projects that were completed/assisted by SGPWA in the past year, and that CWD could obtain a copy of that list by reaching out to GM Lance Eckhart.
- 2. Discussion/Updates: Discuss upcoming "Field Trip" with GM and Board of Directors to visit

District well and tank sites - Thursday, 02/22/2024, at 2:00 PM

3. Discussion/Action: Community Involvement > CWD donated some items to the community center for their Valentine's Day event. Staff has been keeping in touch with the community center to find out about upcoming holiday events.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- 1. Discussion/Action: Installation of Heli-Hydrant (hydrant for helicopters) at Well #1 site
  - The Heli-Hydrant is a reservoir that is located near a water tank that can be easily filled in the event of a fire so that helicopters can fill their tanks quickly. SGPWA is working with ARPA to locate sites for these grantfunded devices to be installed. The potential sites in Cabazon are near Tank #1 and Tank #3.

Motion to approve the installation of Heli-Hydrants at both sites made by Director Davis and 2nd by Director **Brock** 

**Director Carlin - Aye Director Brock - Aye Director Davis - Ave Director Tincher - Ave Director Wargo - Absent** 

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any person may address the Board of Directors at this time on any matter within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Cabazon Water District that is not listed on the agenda; however, any matter that requires action will be referred to staff for investigation and reported at a subsequent Board of Directors meeting. The Board of Directors is prohibited by law from discussing or taking immediate action on items during this public comment period. To comment on specific agenda items, please advise the Board secretary prior to the meeting. Each public comment will be limited to three (3) minutes. Individuals may not give their time away to another spokesperson. After two (2) minutes, the speaker will be notified that he/she has one (1) minute remaining. AB 1234 ORAL REPORTS (Gov. Code Sec. 53232.3(d))

# **GENERAL MANAGER/BOARD COMMENTS**

1. Future Agenda Items

The Board Chair or the majority of the Board may direct staff to investigate and report back to an individual(s) and the Board on matters suggested or direct the General Manager/Board Secretary to place the matter on a future Board meeting.

- Suggested agenda items from the Public.
- Suggested agenda items from Management.
- Suggested agenda items from Board Members.

# 2. Management Comments

Staff members may speak on items of information not requiring comment or discussion to the Board and public. Topics which may be included on a future meeting agenda may be presented but cannot be discussed. (3 minutes)

3. Board Member Comments

Board members may speak on items of information not requiring comment or discussion to the Board and public. (3 minutes)

Director Carlin shared that she attended the SGPRWA meeting last month with Director Brock and found it very informative. She said they discussed potential new testing requirements, how costs for conservation methods sometimes exceed the cost of the benefits, the struggles with upcoming electric vehicle requirements, and discussions of chromium.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

- 1. Future Board Items/Next Board Meeting Date(s)
  - a. 02/22/2024 (Thursday) at 2:00 PM: Tour of District sites at Cabazon Water District
  - b. 02/26/2024 (Monday) at 6:00 PM: San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency Meeting
  - c. 03/04/2024 (Monday) at 1:30 PM: San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency Meeting
  - d. 03/18/2024 (Monday) at 6:00 PM: San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency Meeting
  - e. 03/19/2024 (Tuesday) at 5:00 PM: Finance & Audit Committee Meeting
  - f. 03/19/2024 (Tuesday) at 6:00 PM: Regular Board Meeting
  - g. 03/27/2024 (Wednesday) at 5:00 PM: San Gorgonio Pass Regional Water Alliance Committee Meeting
  - h.05/09/2024 (Thursday) at 6:00 PM: West Desert MAC Meeting at the Community Center
  - i. TBD: Community Action Committee at the Cabazon Library
  - j. TBD: Personnel Committee Meeting

# ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 6:42 PM made by Director Davis and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Director Carlin.

**Director Carlin - Aye** 

**Director Brock - Aye** 

**Director Davis - Aye** 

**Director Tincher - Aye** 

Director Wargo - Absent

Meeting adjourned at 6:42 PM on Tuesday, February 20, 2024

Sarah Wargo, Board Chair

**Board of Directors** 

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Evelyn Abuilar, Secretary

**Board of Directors** 

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