

# **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: Dial-in #: 978-990-5321 Access Code: 117188 Email: info@cabazonwater.org

**Meeting Date:** Tuesday, May 21, 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 **Board Vice Chair Terry Tincher - Present** Board Chair Sarah Wargo - Present 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 April 16, 2024
- b. Regular Board Meeting Minutes and Warrants of April 16, 2024

Motion to approve following consent calendar items (a.) Finance and Audit Committee Meeting Minutes and Warrants of April 16, 2024 and (b.) Regular Board Meeting Minutes and Warrants of April 16, 2024 made by Director Board Vice Chair Tincher and 2nd by Director Brock.

**Director Carlin - Ave Director Brock - Aye Director Davis - Aye** Board Vice Chair Tincher - Ave Board Chair Wargo - Ave

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

#### **UPDATES**

1. Update:

**CWD Operations Report** 

(by GM Pollack)

- No update on the Heli-Hydrants.
- > The budget for FY25 is in the final stages and will be presented to the full Board for approval in June.
- > The Sanitary Survey was completed on 04/17/24. CWD met all health and safety standards.
- > The MOU for 2024-2027 is in the final stages, and is just awaiting Board approval.
- > The Esperanza Waterline project went to bid. G&A Nelos was the lowest bidder.
- > Jensen Precast was selected as a new contractor for the Bonita vault, due to the previous contractor's lack of response.
- GM Pollack is scheduled to meet with Supervisor Gutierrez on 05/28/24.
- ➤ USGS completed groundwater sampling at Well #4 on 05/01/24.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Discussion/Action:

Award of Contract for Esperanza Waterline Improvements, Phase 1 Project; 8 Bids:

- a. Big Ben Engineering
- b. Borden Excavating, Inc.
- c. T.E. Roberts, Inc.
- d. El-Co Contractors, Inc.
- e. Weka. Inc.
- f. MCC Pipeline, Inc.
- g. Genesis Construction
- h. G&A Nelos Construction, Inc. (lowest bidder)

Motion to accept G&A Nelos Construction, Inc. as the contractor for the Esperanza Waterline project made by Director Davis and 2nd by Director Board Vice Chair Tincher.

**Director Carlin - Aye Director Brock - Aye Director Davis - Aye Board Vice Chair Tincher - Ave** 

## **Board Chair Wargo - Ave**

2. Discussion/Action:

**Board of Directors Training Courses:** 

a. Ethics

b. Sexual Harassment Prevention

c. Brown Act

> The training courses will all be taken online. The links to the meetings will be sent to each Director's email.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Discussion/Updates:

Discussion/Updates with SGPWA Director(s) regarding various matters

No SGPWA representatives were present.

2. Discussion/Action:

**Community Involvement** 

### **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))

## **CLOSED SESSION at 6:24 PM.**

1. Discussion/Action:

Conference with Labor Negotiators (Pursuant to Government Code

section 54957.6)

Agency Designated Representative:

General Manager

Labor Association:

SEIU Local 721

### **OPEN SESSION** at 6:44 PM.

- > Reportable Actions: During closed session, the Board approved the Memorandum of Understanding between Cabazon Water District and Service Employee's International Union (SEIU Local 721) for July 1. 2024 Through June 30, 2027.
- > Juanita Salas, a Union representative, was present via teleconference. She shared her appreciation for the work that was put into this new MOU, and said she is excited to continue working with CWD.

### **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.
- > GM Pollack will provide updates on the Heli-Hydrants and the Esperanza Waterline project.
  - 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)

- GM Pollack said he is looking forward to the new budget being approved, and will to continue carefully manage the District's finances.
- 3. Board Member Comments

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

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

- 1. Future Board Items/Next Board Meeting Date(s)
  - a. 05/22/2024 (Wednesday) at 5:00 PM: San Gorgonio Pass Regional Water Alliance Committee Meeting
  - b.06/03/2024 (Monday) at 1:30 PM: San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency Meeting
  - c. 06/17/2024 (Monday) at 6:00 PM: San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency Meeting
  - d.06/18/2024 (Tuesday) at 5:00 PM: Finance & Audit Committee Meeting
  - e. 06/18/2024 (Tuesday) at 6:00 PM: Regular Board Meeting
  - f. 08/08/2024 (Thursday) at 6:00 PM: West Desert MAC Meeting at the Community Center
  - g. TBD: Community Action Committee at the Cabazon Library
  - h.TBD: Personnel Committee Meeting

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn at 6:47 PM made by Board Vice Chair Tincher and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Director Davis.

**Director Carlin - Ave** 

**Director Brock - Ave** 

Director Davis - Aye

**Board Vice Chair Tincher - Aye** 

Board Chair Wargo - Aye

Meeting adjourned at 6:48 PM on Tuesday, May 21, 2024

Sarah Wargo, Board Chair

**Board of Directors** 

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Evelyn Aguilar, Secretary

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