



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

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Meeting Date: Tuesday, October 15, 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 - Absent **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 September 17, 2024
 - b. Regular Board Meeting Minutes and Warrants of September 17, 2024

Motion to approve following consent calendar items (a.) Finance and Audit Committee Meeting Minutes and Warrants of September 17, 2024 and (b.) Regular Board Meeting Minutes and Warrants of September 17, 2024 made by Director Tincher and 2nd by Director Brock.

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

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

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion:

Quotes for Water Rates Study

- **Water Resources Economics**
- IB Consulting
- Black & Veatch
- > At the previous Board meeting, GM Pollack said that he would look into the possibility of performing the rate study in-house, but he learned that this would not be allowed due to Prop 218 regulations.
- This item was postponed for next month, since the scopes of work varied for each consultant.
- * This item was tabled for next month.
 - 2. Discussion/Action:

Approval for Well #2 Site Workshop costs

- Quotes for new Well #2 Facility Building
- Request to allow GM to approve concrete and electrical contractors, as long as total project amount does not exceed \$130,000
- > GM Pollack shared that the lowest quote for the building itself was \$51,078.66, but estimates for the additional items (electrical, concrete, etc.) could not be obtained until the building contractor is approved and a full set of plans is received from that contractor.
- > To avoid needing to come back to the Board for each step of this project, the Board discussed allowing the GM to have the authority to approve the costs for this project, even though they will exceed his normal spending limit of \$20,000.

Motion to increase the Well #2 New Facility Building budget account to \$130,000, and give the GM authority to approve contractors for the Well #2 New Facility Building made by Director Tincher and 2nd by Director Carlin.

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

OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Discussion/Updates: Discussion/Updates with SGPWA Director(s) regarding various matters
- > SGPWA Director Duncan said that the SGPWA Board went on a trip to Banning Heights Mutual Water Company to discuss plans for bringing water down the mountain. He also talked about the Backbone Pipeline meeting, mentioning a couple of different options for bringing water to Cabazon.
- 2. Discussion/Action: **Community Involvement**
 - > The Community Center will be having a Harvest Festival on Thursday, October 31. CWD will be donating chips for this event.
 - There has been no word on the Truck or Treat.

UPDATES

1. Update:

CWD Operations Report (by GM Pollack)

- > The Heli-Hydrants funding agreement was approved by the SGPWA Board. The agreement will be going to the County of Riverside Supervisors on 10/29. GM Pollack shared that there is a lack of plans for the attachments from the tanks to the Heli-Hydrants at this time.
- > 2 Tank inspections are planned for 2024, and the other 2 are planned for 2025.
- > VC3 has submitted a Cybersecurity Grant application for replacement of CWD's 2 servers.
- > There were two leak repairs in September. One on Broadway, the other on Bonita.
- > The recently required Lead Service Line Inventory list was submitted on 10/10.

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)

MISCELLANEOUS

- 1. Future Board Items/Next Board Meeting Date(s)
 - a. 10/21/2024 (Monday) at 6:00 PM: San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency Meeting
 - b. 10/24/2024 (Thursday) at 6:00 PM: West Desert MAC Meeting at the Community Center
 - c. 11/04/2024 (Monday) at 1:30 PM: San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency Meeting
 - d.11/18/2024 (Monday) at 6:00 PM: San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency Meeting
 - e. 11/19/2024 (Tuesday) at 5:00 PM: Finance & Audit Committee Meeting
 - f. 11/19/2024 (Tuesday) at 6:00 PM: Regular Board Meeting
 - g.01/22/2025 (Wednesday) at 5:00 PM: San Gorgonio Pass Regional Water Alliance Committee Meeting
 - h. TBD: Community Action Committee at the Cabazon Library
 - i. TBD: Personnel Committee Meeting

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 6:51 PM made by Director Carlin and 2nd by Director Brock.

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:52 PM on Tuesday, October 15, 2024

Sarah Wargo, Board Chair,

Board of Directors

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Evelyn Aguilar, Secretary **Board of Directors**

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