



Cabazon Water District
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REGULAR BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

Meeting Location:
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Cabazon, CA 92230

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Meeting Date:
Tuesday, August 16, 2022 – 6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

REMEMBRANCE OF OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

ROLL CALL

Director Alan Davis - Absent
Director Terry Tincher - Present
Director Diana Morris - Present
Director Sarah Wargo - Present
Director Robert Lynk - Present

Ellen Koumparis, Customer Accounts Lead - 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 July 19, 2022
 - b. Regular Board Meeting Minutes and Warrants of July 19, 2022
 - c. Special Board Meeting Minutes of July 26, 2022
 - d. Special Board Meeting Minutes of August 2, 2022
 - e. Reaffirmation of Resolution 04-2021, declaring the continuation of virtual meetings due to COVID-19
2. Warrants – None
 3. Awards of Contracts – None

Motion to approve following consent calendar items

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made by Director Wargo and 2nd by Director Tincher

Director Davis - Absent
Director Tincher - Aye
Director Morris - Aye
Director Wargo - Aye
Director Lynk - Aye

1. Warrants – None
2. Awards of Contracts – None

UPDATES

1. Update: **San Gorgonio Pass Regional Water Alliance Update
(by Director Morris and Director Davis)**

➤ Nothing to report.

2. Update: **Community Action Committee Update
(by Director Morris and Director Davis)**

➤ Nothing to report.

3. Update: **CWD Operations Report
(by District Staff)**

- ARPA Agreement – has been going back and forth between legal and the County.
- Esperanza service – Waiting on materials and staff
- Chick-Fil-A development – Waiting on Engineering plans
- MKA Dinosaur meter – needs to be moved.
- Unit #001 (2009 Toyota Tundra) – Sold at auction for over \$4,000
- Riza service – completed
- New field crew worker – set to begin in September
- 3 vehicles serviced
- Short one field crew worker for a couple of weeks
- Legend has a district well – waiting on new GM

- Director Lynk thanked the District staff for all of their hard work.

*The following items in the Board meeting were discussed in a different order than shown on the agenda.

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))

- Kevin Walton introduced himself as a Director of Division 3 for the San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency. He explained that the Agency is interested in helping out disadvantaged communities.

CLOSED SESSION at 6:11 PM

1. Discussion/Action: **Public Employee Appointment (Govt Code § 54957)
Title: General Manager**

OPEN SESSION at 6:22 PM

Discussion/Action: **Public report of Action Taken in Closed Session**

- The Board welcomed Michael Pollack as the new General Manager of the Cabazon Water District, beginning September 1.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion/Action: **Customer Concern – Ella Ave. – Nand**
 - Mrs. Koumparis explained that Mr. Nand asked that the account be wiped clean of all charges then reopened. His wife had lived at the property and passed away in the home, then a high amount of usage was used at the house.
 - The Board discussed that since Mr. Nand owns the property as well, he is responsible for all unpaid water charges.

Motion to deny the claim made by Mr. Nand on Ella Ave. made by Director Tincher and 2nd by Director Morris.

Director Davis - Absent
Director Tincher - Aye
Director Morris - Aye
Director Wargo - Aye
Director Lynk – Aye

NEW BUSINESS

2. Discussion/Action: **Interconnection requirements per SB 552**

***This item was tabled until the new GM could help with the matter.**

3. Discussion/Action: Meter Replacements & Other Capital

- Mrs. Koumparis explained that since a new field worker is starting in September, the field crew would begin the process of changing out several of the old meters. Mr. Pollack expressed that he had some ideas for the meter replacement program as well.

***This item was just a discussion item, not an action item.**

4. Discussion/Action: Nationwide plan – Amendment to Eligibility Requirements

- Ms. Aguilar shared that she had been in touch with the Nationwide Specialist about amending the plan, but hadn't heard back yet.

***This item was tabled until a response is heard from the Nationwide Specialist.**

GENERAL MANAGER/BOARD COMMENTS

1. Board Member Comments

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

- Director Lynk shared that this would be his last meeting as a Director, since he is moving. He passed the gavel to Director Wargo, who will be acting as Board Chair until the Board is reorganized.
- Several members of the Board and staff expressed that Lynk's time on the Board was greatly appreciated and that he will be missed.

2. 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.
- Nationwide Amendment
 - ARPA Agreement
 - Reorganization of the Board.

3. 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)

MISCELLANEOUS

1. Future Board Items/Next Board Meeting Date(s)


- a. Community Action Committee Meeting at the Community Center – Tuesday, Sep. 13, 2022, 6:00 pm
- b. Finance & Audit Workshop – Tuesday, Sep. 20, 2022, 5:00 pm
- c. Regular Board Meeting – Tuesday, Sep. 20, 2022, 6:00 pm
- d. San Gorgonio Pass Regional Water Alliance Meeting – Wednesday, Sep. 28, 2022, 5:00 pm
- e. Personnel Committee – TBD

ADJOURNMENT

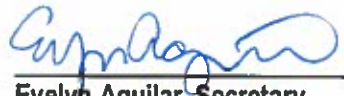
Motion to adjourn at 6:58 PM made by Director Tincher and 2nd by Director Morris

Director Davis - Absent
Director Tincher - Aye
Director Morris - Aye
Director Wargo - Aye
Director Lynk - Aye

Meeting adjourned at 6:58 PM on Tuesday, August 16, 2022



Sarah Wargo, Board Chair
Board of Directors
Cabazon Water District



Evelyn Aguilar, Secretary
Board of Directors
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