



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, May 16, 2023 – 6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

REMEMBRANCE OF OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

ROLL CALL

Director Taffy Brock - Present
Director Terry Tincher - Present
Director Diana Morris - Present
Director Alan Davis - Present
Director Sarah Wargo - Present
Michael Pollack, General Manager - Present
Cindy Byerrum, Financial Consultant- Present
Daniela Uriarte, Financial Consultant- 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 18, 2023
 - b. Regular Board Meeting Minutes and Warrants of April 18, 2023

Motion to approve following consent calendar items (a.) Finance and Audit Committee Meeting Minutes and Warrants of April 18, 2023, and (b.) Regular Board Meeting Minutes and Warrants of April 18, 2023 made by Director Davis and 2nd by Director Brock.

Director Brock - Aye
Director Tincher - Aye
Director Morris - Aye
Director Davis - Aye
Director Wargo - Aye

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

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Discussion/Action:** **Recommendation to transfer majority of LAIF account funds to California CLASS**
 - Mrs. Byerrum explained that California CLASS is very similar to LAIF, but has higher interest return rates. She recommended that a minimal balance remain in the LAIF account in case LAIF's interest rates increase to a higher amount than CLASS.

Motion to approve the recommendation to transfer the District's LAIF account funds to a California CLASS account, leaving the minimum amount of required funds in the LAIF account to keep it open made by Director Davis and 2nd by Director Tincher.

Director Brock - Aye
Director Tincher - Aye
Director Morris - Aye
Director Davis - Aye
Director Wargo - Aye

2. **Discussion:** **Offer by Symphony Wireless to buy out cell tower lease at 50020 Seminole**
 - Brian Katz from Symphony Wireless called in to explain the informal offer. He mentioned that the official offer would not be made until he receives all of the lease agreement details. The offer would be to buy out the lease for the cell tower at Well #1's site for a lump sum, then any income from future leases would be split between Symphony Wireless and the District.

*** No Motion was made. This item was for Discussion only even though the agenda listed it as an action item.**

3. **Discussion/Action:** **Quote from Vivant to replace Securitas Technology (formerly Stanley Security) as security provider**

- GM Pollack explained that the District is paying Securitas Technology ~\$570/month for the District office security which includes equipment, and that he tried contacting someone to revise the contract for a lower monthly amount, but the poor record keeping and customer service is making it difficult to do so.
- He found a much cheaper alternative in Vivant, but the company requires a Social Security Number to open up the account, so if this route is taken, it would need to be decided which position would need to provide their SSN.

* No motion was made. GM Pollack said he would look into alternatives to the SSN requirement and additional quotes.

4. Discussion/Action: Recommendation of acceptance of contract work for Broadway and Main Street Cluster Valve Replacement Project performed by MCC Equipment Rentals, Inc.

Motion to approve the recommendation of acceptance of contract work for Broadway and Main Street Cluster Valve Replacement Project performed by MCC Equipment Rentals, Inc. made by Director Davis and 2nd by Director Tincher.

Director Brock - Aye
Director Tincher - Aye
Director Morris - Aye
Director Davis - Aye
Director Wargo - Aye

UPDATES

1. Update: CWD Operations Report
(by GM Pollack)
 - RCAC Loan: GM Pollack received an email during this meeting that a few more documents are needed to resume the process of obtaining a loan for the Well #4 rehabilitation.
 - Reservoir Repair project: The pre-construction meeting was held on May 9, and the work is expected to begin on May 22.
 - Well Levels were taken.
 - The District is expecting revenue from 9 new services.
 - There were some issues with the Tesla battery at Well #2 shutting off the well during operations. Tesla came out to resolve the issue on April 27. The issue has not occurred since then.
 - 50 additional meters were replaced in April, bringing the total to 270 meters replaced in 2023. The goal is to replace 300 annually.
2. Update: San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency (SGPWA) Meetings
(by Director Davis and Director Brock)
 - Nothing to report.
3. Update: Collaborative Agencies Meeting
(by Director Brock)
 - Nothing related to the District to report. The July meeting was cancelled, so the next meeting will be September 6.

**4. Update: Community Action Committee (CAC) Meeting
(by Director Davis)**

- Director Davis said the project is at a standstill due to flood control issues.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Discussion/Action: Customer Concern – Paul Oshideri, Date Ave.

- Mr. Oshideri requested that the balance on this property be removed. He stated that his tenants used the water to cause property damages.

Motion to deny Mr. Oshideri's request to write-off the balance on this account made by Director Davis and 2nd by Director Tincher.

**Director Brock - Aye
Director Tincher - Aye
Director Morris - Aye
Director Davis - Aye
Director Wargo - No**

2. Discussion/Action: Collaborative Agencies – Discussion of benefits and potential vote to continue or stop participating with group

- Director Morris shared that this group used to be very beneficial for the District, but that most of the information is repeated from the various other meetings throughout the area.
- Director Brock mentioned that she doesn't think it is worth paying a Director to attend these meetings when the information does not pertain to the District.

Motion to discontinue attending the Collaborative Agencies meetings made by Director Morris and 2nd by Director Brock.

**Director Brock - Aye
Director Tincher - Aye
Director Morris - Aye
Director Davis - Aye
Director Wargo - Aye**

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))

- SGPWA Director Kevin Walton shared that SGPWA entered into an agreement with Cal Rural to assist small, disadvantaged communities. He went on to say that they are working to engage with their "next-door neighbors" to find out what is needed.

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.
- Director Wargo suggested that an item be added to the agenda so that if a SGPWA representative attends a District Board meeting, the Board can have a discussion with them, rather than the representative only having 3 minutes to speak during public comments.

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. 05/22/2023 & 06/12/2023 (Monday) at 1:30 PM: San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency Meeting
- b. 05/24/2023 (Wednesday) at 5:00 PM: San Gorgonio Pass Regional Water Alliance Committee Meeting
- c. 06/20/2023 (Tuesday) at 5:00 PM: Finance & Audit Committee Meeting
- d. 06/20/2023 (Tuesday) at 6:00 PM: Regular Board Meeting
- e. 08/12/2023 (Saturday) at 10:00 AM: Community Action Committee at the Cabazon Library
- f. TBD: Personnel Committee Meeting

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 7:12 PM made by Director Tincher and 2nd by Director Morris.

Director Brock - Aye

Director Tincher - Aye
Director Morris - Aye
Director Davis - Aye
Director Wargo - Aye

Meeting adjourned at 7:12 PM on Tuesday, May 16, 2023



Sarah Wargo, Board Chair
Board of Directors
Cabazon Water District



Evelyn Aguilar, Secretary
Board of Directors
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