



Cabazon Water District
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REGULAR BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

Meeting Location:
14618 Broadway St.
Cabazon, CA 92230

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Meeting Date:
Tuesday, June 20, 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
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 May 16, 2023
- b. Regular Board Meeting Minutes and Warrants of May 16, 2023

Motion to approve following consent calendar items (a.) Finance and Audit Committee Meeting Minutes and Warrants of May 16, 2023, and (b.) Regular Board Meeting Minutes and Warrants of May 16, 2023 made by Director Tincher and 2nd by Director Morris.

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: **Review/Adoption of FY 2023/2024 Proposed Budget**
 - Daniela Uriarte went over the notable changes from the previous year's budget. Most of the adjustments were based off of the current FY with an increase due to inflation. Others were adjusted based off of anticipated work/expenses in the next FY.

Motion to adopt the proposed FY 2023/2024 budget made by Director Tincher and 2nd by Director Davis.

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

OLD BUSINESS

1. Discussion/Action: **Offer by Symphony Wireless to buy out cell tower lease at 50020 Seminole**
 - The initial offer by Symphony Wireless did not include revenue-sharing on future leases, as stated in the discussions about this offer. When asked about this, Symphony Wireless did include an option for the split revenue, but the buyout amount was decreased.
 - It was mentioned that while the lump sum is enticing, it would take away a stream of revenue from the District.

Motion to leave the cell tower lease as it is made by Director Davis and 2nd by Director Tincher.

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

NEW BUSINESS (continued)

2. Discussion: Discussion with SGPWA Director regarding various matters

- This item was added on the agenda so that if a Director from SGPWA attends the meeting, they can have a conversation with the CWD Directors, rather than only being granted 3 minutes to have a one-sided conversation during public comments.
- SGPWA Director Ron Duncan was present. He mentioned that the SGPWA meetings will now be held on the 1st and 3rd Monday each month, and that the meeting on the 1st Monday will still be at 1:30 PM, but the meeting on the 3rd Monday will be at 6:00 PM. This new schedule will be starting on July 3.
- He informed everyone that there is an annual solar boat challenge in Yucaipa that is held at the end of May. He said that it is fascinating to witness, and recommended that anyone who is available should attend.
- He also brought up the backbone pipeline project. He said they're waiting on the numbers to come in. They are hoping that federal and/or state grants will be able to cover a large portion of this project.

3. Discussion/Action: Customer Concern – Rachel Elias – Adele Ave.

- Rachel Elias resides at a property on Adele as a tenant. The owner of the property passed away and the water was shut off. Ms. Elias brought in a will stating that she was given the property by the owner.
- *A short break was held at this time.
- After reviewing the will, GM Pollack stated that the water would remain on while the ownership issue is being settled since it will need to go through probate, which could take over a year.

No motion was made on this item since the issue was able to be resolved through the GM.

4. Discussion/Action: Quote from Bay Alarm to replace Securitas Technology (formerly Stanley Security) as security provider

- GM Pollack explained that Stanley Security merged with a global company called Securitas. After this merger, it's been difficult to get a hold of anyone from that company.
- Bay Alarm provided the District with a quote for all of the sites, including a speaker at the District office. The annual fees for Bay Alarm comes out to less than Securitas. Also, Bay Alarm is local.
- GM Pollack said that most of the site contracts with Securitas are able to be cancelled with a 60 day notice, but one of them is locked in until 2027. Director Morris mentioned that it might be cheaper to pay an early termination fee since Bay Alarm's rates are lower.

Motion to go with Bay Alarm as the District's security company with management's discretion on discontinuing with Securitas made by Director Tincher and 2nd by Director Morris.

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

EMERGENCY BUSINESS

1. Discussion/Action: Pull and tighten Well #1 – The Well failed in the early morning on 06/20/23

- The main issue at Well #1 was resolved, but it is still unstable. Based off of previous invoices, GM Pollack roughly estimated that it will cost somewhere around \$70k to pull and tighten the well.
- The Board agreed that this is something that needs to be done.

Motion to approve the pulling and tightening of Well #1 made by Director Tincher and 2nd by Director Davis

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

UPDATES

1. Update: **CWD Operations Report
(by GM Pollack)**
 - GM Pollack is still waiting to hear back from RCAC about finalizing a loan for the Well #4 rehabilitation. He was told that the process usually takes about 60 days, so he is expecting to hear back soon.
 - Construction of Tanks 2, 3, and 4 began on May 22. Tank 4 is scheduled to be back in service by July 1.
 - The 2000 GMC that was stolen was found and was sold for \$483. A reconditioned 2015 GMC was purchased for \$9,000.
 - The documentation of the theft of the truck, tools, and materials on 05/15/2023 was sent to the insurance claim department.
 - Metropolitan Water District has a meter on Elm St. and is looking into installing 1,775 ft. of main line pipe so that they can install a fire hydrant closer to their site.
 - Annual staff evaluations were completed. GM Pollack stated that he appreciates all of the staffs' contributions and efficiency.
 - District staff is requesting to add the nationally recognized holiday, Juneteenth as a paid holiday.
2. Update: **San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency (SGPWA) Meetings
(by Director Davis and Director Brock)**
 - No updates.
3. Update: **San Gorgonio Pass Regional Water Alliance Meeting
(by Director Brock)**
 - Director Brock said that most of the information was repeated from the SGPWA meeting. She also said that concerns were voiced about requirements dealing with electric vehicles in California.

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 Dates

- 06/26/2023 & 07/03/2023 (Monday) at 1:30 PM: San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency Meeting**
- 07/17/2023 (Monday) at 6:00 PM: San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency Meeting**
- 07/18/2023 (Tuesday) at 5:00 PM: Finance & Audit Committee Meeting**
- 07/18/2023 (Tuesday) at 6:00 PM: Regular Board Meeting**
- 07/26/2023 (Wednesday) at 5:00 PM: San Gorgonio Pass Regional Water Alliance Committee Meeting**
- 08/12/2023 (Saturday) at 10:00 AM: Community Action Committee at the Cabazon Library**
- TBD: Personnel Committee Meeting**

ADJOURNMENT

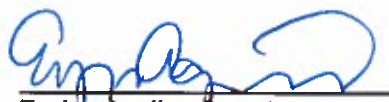
Motion to adjourn at 7:30 PM made by Director Morris and 2nd by Director Tincher

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM on Tuesday, June 20, 2023



Sarah Wargo, Board Chair
Board of Directors
Cabazon Water District



Evelyn Aguilar, Secretary
Board of Directors
Cabazon Water District

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