

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, August 17, 2021 - 6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE REMEMBRANCE OF OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN **ROLL CALL**

Director Martin Sanderson - Present Director Diana Morris - Present Director Sarah Wargo - Absent - Arrived at 7:00 pm **Director Terry Tincher - Present Director Robert Lynk - Present**

Calvin Louie, General Manager - Present Evelyn Aguilar, Board Secretary - Present Steve Anderson, Best Best & Krieger Law Firm - Absent Chuck Krieger, Krieger & Stewart Engineering- 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 20, 2021
 - Regular Board Meeting Minutes and Warrants of July 20, 2021
 - c. Special Board Meeting Minutes of August 4, 2021

Motion to approve following consent calendar item(s) (a.) Finance and Audit Committee Meeting Minutes of July 20, 2021, and (b.) Regular Board Meeting Minutes of July 20, 2021, and (c.) Special Board Meeting Minutes of August 4, 2021 made by Director Morris and 2nd by Director Tincher.

Director Sanderson - Aye **Director Morris - Aye Director Wargo - Absent Director Tincher - Aye** Director Lynk - Aye

- *Motion Approved
 - 2. Warrants None
 - 3. Awards of Contracts None

UPDATES

1. Update: San Gorgonio Pass Regional Water Alliance Update (Director Morris)

- Director Morris said there was nothing to report.
- Director Morris requested that a second Director be added to attend these meetings, since she is not always. able to attend them. Director Lynk stated he would talk to Director Wargo, and determine which of the two of them would also attend.
- > GM Louie recommended postponing his Manager Report until after some other items on the Agenda were discussed. For this reason, the Meeting Minutes will be in a different order than the Agenda.

CLOSED SESSION

1. Discussion: GSA Updates (by Mr. Chuck Krieger and Mr. Steve Anderson)

This item was moved to the September Board Meeting.

OPEN SESSION

Discussion/Action: Report Action Taken to the Public

This item was moved to the September Board Meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

2. Discussion/Action: Customer Concern - Paul Oshideri - 2 Properties on Peach St. (by Mr. Oshideri)

- Mr. Oshideri stated that he owns properties in Cabazon with tenants who have not been paying their bills. CWD regulations state that a resident's water is to be shut off if their bill has not been paid. Due to COVID-19 regulations, CWD was unable to shut off anyone's water due to non-payment.
- Mr. Oshideri stated that ~\$2000 from these two properties is now his financial responsibility, according to CWD's rules.
- > He suggested that CWD absorb these bills, since they could receive funding from the government more easily. He stated that he had tried to go to Court for these reasons, but first needs action from the Board.
- > The Board decided that Mr. Oshideri made some good points, and they would like to GM Louie to discuss this situation with Legal before further action is made.

Motion to table Mr. Oshideri's concerns until they have been discussed with Legal made by Director Morris and 2nd by Director Tincher.

Director Sanderson - Ave Director Morris - Aye Director Wargo - Absent Director Tincher - Ave Director Lynk - Aye

*Motion Approved

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Discussion/Action: Chick-Fil-A Mrs. Kelsey Wu and/or representative requesting a waiver of recommended location of water service connection (by GM Louie and Chuck Krieger)
 - GM Louie informed the Board that he contacted Mrs. Wu about attending the Board meeting, to request changing the original location of the water service. No response was heard back.

*No motion was made, due to lack of representatives from 4G Development.

- 2. Discussion/Action: Well No. 1 Rehab Recommendation of Acceptance of Contract Work (by Chuck Krieger)
 - Mr. Krieger gave a little background on the Well #1 rehab. He stated that the work is almost complete, although there are a few issues that are being worked out. He advised the Board that Krieger & Stewart recommends the Board to Approve the Acceptance of Contract Work, which is a necessary part of completing the project. The Well would be under warranty for a year after this Acceptance, and the District would still retain a small percentage of the contract payment until the project is entirely complete.

Motion to Accept the Contract Work by Legend on the Well #1 rehabilitation project made by Director Tincher and 2nd by Director Morris.

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

*Motion Approved

3. Discussion:

Updates on test well sites

(by Director Lynk and Director Tincher)

- This item was tabled until the September meeting.
- 4. Discussion:

Production Well #4 Rehabilitation & Upgrade

(by GM Louie)

- GM Louie stated he will work with BAA Aguilar to trim down the budget, and will try to have an accurate estimate of costs at the September Board meeting.
- He explained that he was still awaiting quotes from Byrd electric, and Tess electric. He also pointed out that a decision will need to be made quickly on this, as costs of materials are rising fast. Legend provided GM Louie with a quote in February for \$105,000, but it has already gone up to \$125,000 as of the day of this meetina.
- 5. Discussion: Update on American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) (by GM Louie)
 - GM Louie thanked Director Morris for bring this funding opportunity to his attention.
 - > He pointed out that this funding would be a good opportunity to add a second pipeline to the East side of
 - Mr. Krieger agreed, and stated that K&S would research methods to add this second pipeline.
 - > GM Louie stated that he would keep in touch with Mickey Valdivia about this opportunity.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Discussion/ Action: Draft Contract for drilling of test well Charles Ripps (by GM Louie)
- > This item was tabled for the September meeting.
 - 3. Discussion/ Action: Approval for Director Lynk's previous badge to be embedded in lucite and released to Director Lynk. (by the GM Louie, Vice Chair Wargo, and the Board)

History of the Cabazon Water District's issuance of badges.

The vendor is Dekker Design Plastic - Crystal-Like Products - Chatsworth, California.

Director Lynk suggested that the Board deny this request, and save the money instead.

Motion to deny the embedding of Director Lynk's badge in lucite made by Director Morris and 2nd by Director Tincher.

Director Sanderson - Aye **Director Morris - Aye Director Wargo - Absent Director Tincher - Aye** Director Lynk - Abstain

*Motion Approved

UPDATES

2. Update:

Manager's Operations Report (by GM Louie)

Water theft was discovered on Esperanza. This illegal tapping device has been removed.

> Due to the recent issue at Well #2, with the sodium hypochlorite pump spraying on the control panel, GM Louie is advising the Board that the District will be purchasing some shelving to protect the electrical panels, and spare parts in case of another dosing pump failure. The costs are estimated at \$4200.

> He also brought up to the attention of the Board, that the costs of the Well #2 incident has come out to \$17,033 so far.

CLOSED SESSION started at 6:45 PM.

1. Discussion:

SEIU/ MOU - Discussion of Union Proposals

2. Discussion/Action:

GM Evaluation

OPEN SESSION at 7:25 PM.

Discussion/Action:

Report Action Taken to the Public

There were no reportable actions taken.

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.
- > The Board Secretary pointed out that Maxine Israel's name is still on the credit card statement, and that there will be an item during the September meeting on updating the names on the account.
- She also brought up that she has been working with Accent (IT) on an upgrade to the office phones, which would save the District money in the long run. Once an accurate quote is provided, it will be brought to the Board for approval.
- 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)

> Director Morris informed Director Wargo that either Lynk or Wargo will also be required to attend the SGPRWA meetings.

MISCELLANEOUS

- 1. Future Board Items/Next Board Meeting Date(s)
 - a. Finance & Audit Workshop Tuesday September 21, 2021, 5:00 pm
 - b. Regular Board Meeting Tuesday September 21, 2021, 6:00 pm
 - c. Personnel Committee None
 - d. San Gorgonio Pass Regional Water Alliance- Meeting- Wednesday- August 25, 2021- 5:00 pm

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Motion to adjourn at 19:35 hr. made by Director Tincher and 2nd by Director Wargo.

Director Sanderson - Aye Director Morris - Aye Director Wargo - Aye Director Tincher - Aye Director Lynk - Aye

Meeting adjourned at 19:35 hr. on Tuesday, August 17, 2021

Robert Lynk, Board Chair Board of Directors

Cabazon Water District

Board of Directors

Cabazon Water District

ADA Compliance Issues

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act & Government Code Section 54954.2, if special assistance is needed to participate in a Board meeting, please contact the Clerk of the Board at (951) 849-4442. Notification of at least 48 hours prior to meeting time will assist staff in assuring that reasonable arrangements can be made to provide access.