



Cabazon Water District
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REGULAR BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

Meeting Location:
14618 Broadway St.
Cabazon, CA 92230

Teleconference:
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Meeting Date:
Tuesday, October 19, 2021 – 6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER at 5:57 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

REMEMBRANCE OF OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

ROLL CALL

Director Martin Sanderson – Absent for roll call. Joined at 5:59 PM

Director Diana Morris - Absent for roll call. Joined at 6:01 PM

Director Terry Tincher - Present

Director Sarah Wargo - Present

Director Robert Lynk - Present

Calvin Louie, 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 21, 2021
 - b. Regular Board Meeting Minutes and Warrants of September 21, 2021

Motion to approve following consent calendar item(s) (a.) Finance and Audit Committee Meeting Minutes of September 21, 2021, and (b.) Regular Board Meeting Minutes of September 21, 2021 made by Director Wargo and 2nd by Director Tincher.

**Director Sanderson - Aye
Director Morris – Absent for vote
Director Tincher - Aye
Director Wargo - Aye
Director Lynk - Aye**

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

UPDATES

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

➤ There was no meeting in September.

2. Update: **Manager's Operations Report (by GM Louie)**

- There was a water emergency during business hours.
- Governor Newsom extended the bill preventing the shut-off of water due to non-payment to December 31, 2021. This was extended from the previous date of September 30, 2021.
- 2 projects on Date and Sunrise took longer than planned. There were some gate valves in the community that were not shown on the District's plans.
- The District's current sodium hypochlorite supplier (HASA) has been presenting issues in delivering during the District's business hours. A potential new supplier is being researched. The 500 gallon storage tank at the District's storage yard is owned by HASA, so GM Louie instructed one of the District's water operators to research the cost of purchasing a storage tank.
- Mr. Thomas met with Engineering, and will be discussing some recommendations with them.
- Mr. Ripps also met with the Engineers. It was discussed that his property is very close to Well #3, and that the nitrates from that Well could migrate to Ripps' property. Director Tincher asked GM Louie if Well #3 was ever retested. GM Louie said he would contact DWR to determine if it would be possible to retest this well.
- The grant for the Isolation Valve project requires the District to pay the contractors up front, and then would be reimbursed on a quarterly basis. It was discussed with the District's Accountants that this would be unaffordable to the District. A bridge loan was discussed, but the CPA advised that this is also very risky. A meeting with the city of Banning would be held soon to discuss the concerns.
- There was an after-hours emergency on Date regarding a leaking fire hydrant. The GM said he will go into detail at the next Board Meeting.
- SCE contacted the GM about installing power at the District's Main/Pecan yard. A timeline is being determined on the moving out of the old Main St. office.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Discussion/Action: **Sierra Martin – Mission St., Cabazon – Water Bill Concern (by Martin and the Board)**
- Director Wargo went to the Martin residence to review the Ring camera footage, to determine whether the meters were read in the previous months. The footage did not go back far enough to the dates in question.
 - Discussions took place on why the usage was so high in August, but average in other months, even though the Martins were only home 11 days during the month of August. Mrs. Martin said she doesn't doubt that the read was correct in August, but believes that their usage was higher in June or July, but was not read during those months. She believes that this caused the August bill to be higher than it was supposed to be.
 - Director Lynk pointed out that all of the recent months were in the 3rd tier, so the average would remain in the 3rd tier. Director Morris mentioned that if the read was supposed to be really high in June and July, then the August bill may have been in the 1st or 2nd tier.
 - Director Lynk directed Management to ensure that a blue tag is placed at the Martin's residence each time the meter is read.
 - Director Wargo determined that since the average usage was 1900 ft³, the Martins were billed \$398.84 more than they pay on average.

Motion to approve a \$398.84 credit to the Martin's account made by Director Wargo and 2nd by Director Morris.

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

- The Board Secretary asked if the math should be verified before applying the credit. The Board said to keep the credit at \$398.84, since the motion was already carried.
- A break was held from 7:05 PM - 7:17PM.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion/ Action: **Lamas – Ana Maria St. – Water Bill Concern (by Lamas and the Board)**

- The Lamas' did not show up. The Board Secretary called Mrs. Lamas on the Thursday before the meeting and received confirmation that they would attend.

This item was tabled due the absence of Mr. and Mrs. Lamas.

2. Discussion/Action: **Paul Oshideri – Address concerns with the Board – Broadway property (by Chairman Lynk & the Board)**

- Mr. Oshideri was also absent. The Board Secretary had called Mr. Oshideri on the Thursday prior to the meeting to confirm his attendance.

This item was tabled due the absence of Mr. Oshideri.

October 19, 2021 Regular Board Meeting Minutes**3. Discussion/Action: Trunk or Treat – Determine whether or not it will be held in 2021, and on what day (By Chairman Lynk & the Board)**

- In previous years, Trunk or Treat was held in the parking lot of the District/park, and the District would donate/participate in this event. Director Morris formerly had a charity that would organize Trunk or Treat and other activities, but the charity has shut-down in recent years.
- It was decided that this event would not be held in 2021.

4. Discussion/Action: Board to select a range of dates and times for GSA workshop (by Chairman Lynk & the Board)

- Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group offered to hold a workshop to inform the Board about the Groundwater Sustainability Act. This workshop will be held in closed session. Dates were discussed on when this could be held.

CLOSED SESSION at 7:31 PM

- 1. Discussion/Action: Conference with Labor Negotiators (Pursuant to Government Code section 54957.6)**
Agency Designated Representative: General Manager
Labor Association: SEIU Local 721

OPEN SESSION at 7:50 PM

Discussion/Action: Report action taken to public

- No reportable actions were 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 Audit presentation is anticipated to be during the November meeting.
- Suggested agenda items from Board Members.
- Director Wargo would like an item on the Agenda displaying the trends of return on the LAIF account.

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. Finance & Audit Workshop – Tuesday – November 16, 2021, 5:00 pm
 - b. Regular Board Meeting – Tuesday – November 16, 2021, 6:00 pm
 - c. Personnel Committee – None
 - d. San Gorgonio Pass Regional Water Alliance–Meeting– Wednesday, October 27, 2021, 5:00 pm

ADJOURNMENT

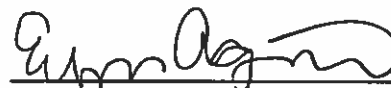
Motion to adjourn at 8:05 PM made by Director Morris and 2nd by Director Tincher.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM on Tuesday, October 19, 2021



Sarah Wargo, Vice Board Chair
Board of Directors
Cabazon Water District



Evelyn Aguilar, Secretary
Board of Directors
Cabazon Water District

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