



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, January 20, 2026 – 6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

REMEMBRANCE OF OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

ROLL CALL

Director Guillermo Perez - Present
Director Melissa Carlin - Present
Board Vice Chair Taffy Brock - Present
Board Chair Terry Tincher - Present
Michael Pollack, 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 December 16, 2025

- b. Regular Board Meeting Minutes and Warrants of December 16, 2025

Motion to approve following consent calendar items (a.) Finance and Audit Committee Meeting Minutes and Warrants of December 16, 2025 and (b.) Regular Board Meeting Minutes and Warrants of December 16, 2025 made by Board Vice Chair Brock and 2nd by Director Carlin.

Director Perez - Aye
Director Carlin - Aye
Board Vice Chair Brock - Aye
Board Chair Tincher - Aye

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

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Discussion/Action: Appointment of New Director to Fill Vacant Seat**
 - No one applied for the vacant seat. The Board Secretary said that staff would mail out notices with the water bills at the end of the month, and the Board can appoint someone at the February meeting.
2. **Discussion/Action: Reorganization of the Board of Directors**
 - This item is postponed until a new Director is appointed.
3. **Discussion/Action: Approval of DHPO 6" Connection, Contingent on Engineer and Staff Approval of Formal Set of Plans**
 - DHPOS is planning an expansion and requires additional flow for fire protection. DHPO's engineer has been working with staff and is looking into adding a 6" fire service connection. Research is being done to determine the cost of the service connection. DHPO still needs a formal set of plans to submit to Krieger & Stewart before any work can be completed.
 - An alternative option would be to increase DHPO's 10" meter to a 16" meter. Staff will meet with K&S to discuss if this option would provide the required flow.
 - Since there is still much research that needs to be done, this item is postponed.
4. **Discussion: Bank Transfer – Transferred \$55,208.42 from Chase General to CA CLASS**
 - A \$55,208.42 transfer was made from the Chase account to the CA CLASS account to reduce the Chase account to \$250,000, and to increase the amount of interest that the CA CLASS account will earn.
5. **Discussion: Community Involvement**
 - Nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS

UPDATES

1. **Discussion/Updates: Reports on Meetings Attended by CWD Board of Directors**

- Board Vice Chair Brock attended the SGPWA meetings and reported the following:
 - SGPWA reorganized their Board. Sarah Wargo is the Secretary.
 - GM Lance Eckhart did a good job at explaining the State's new Chromium reporting requirements. Some notices had to be sent out to Banning stating that the water contained chromium, but the levels in the water did not change. The reporting levels did. According to federal levels, the levels have not been reached.

2. Discussion/Updates: Discussion/Updates with SGPWA Director(s) regarding various matters

- SGPWA Director Sarah Wargo was present and reported the following:
 - She echoed the Board reorganization and chromium 6 reporting updates.
 - The heli-hydrants in High Valley are complete. One is being constructed in Calimesa.
 - USGS is putting in a monitoring well in Banning.
 - The Banning Bench is installing a new reservoir, with the assistance of Gap Funding from SGPWA.

**3. Update: CWD Operations Report
(by GM Pollack and WT II James Clark)**

- GM Pollack reported the following:
 - On 12/17/2025, there was a meeting at SGPWA with General Managers and other representatives of the Groundwater Sustainability Agencies. They discussed groundwater recharge, and the installation of a stream gage on the Morongo Reservation.
 - On 01/15/2026, GM Pollack worked with CRWA to resubmit the grant application for pipeline replacement under the "construction" category instead of "planning" to keep the application current for when funds become available.
 - On 01/07/2026, a meeting with DHPO's engineer was held to discuss the potential addition of a 6" fire service.
- This was GM Pollack's last Board meeting. He expressed how grateful he is to have been the GM for the past 3 and a half years.
- He also shared some very positive words of appreciation for Evelyn Aguilar, acknowledging her work ethic, attention to detail, and dedication throughout his entire employment with Cabazon Water District.

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))

- Sarah Wargo thanked Michael Pollack for his time at CWD.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND 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 Director Appointment, Board Reorganization, and DHPO Service will be included in the next Board Meeting.

- 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 Date(s)

- a. 01/26/2026 (Monday) at 6:00 PM: San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency Meeting
- b. 01/28/2026 (Wednesday) at 5:00 PM: San Gorgonio Pass Regional Water Alliance Committee Meeting
- c. 02/02/2026 (Monday) at 1:30 PM: San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency Meeting
- d. 02/17/2026 (Tuesday) at 5:00 PM: Finance & Audit Committee Meeting
- e. 02/17/2026 (Tuesday) at 6:00 PM: Regular Board Meeting
- f. 02/05/2026 (Thursday) at 6:00 PM: West Desert MAC Meeting at the Community Center
- g. TBD: Personnel Committee Meeting

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 6:24 PM made by Director Carlin and 2nd by Director Perez

Director Perez - Aye
Director Carlin - Aye
Board Vice Chair Brock - Aye
Board Chair Tincher - Aye

Meeting adjourned at 6:24 PM on Tuesday, January 20, 2026



Terry Tincher, Board Chair
Board of Directors
Cabazon Water District



Evelyn Aguilar, Secretary
Board of Directors
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