



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, March 17, 2026 – 6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

REMEMBRANCE OF OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

ROLL CALL

Director Knala Keith - Present

Director Guillermo Perez – Absent for roll call. Arrived at 6:03 PM (During Board Reorganization)

Director Melissa Carlin - Present

Board Vice Chair Taffy Brock - Present

Board Chair Terry Tincher - Present

James Clark, 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 February 17, 2025
- b. Regular Board Meeting Minutes and Warrants of February 17, 2025

Motion to approve following consent calendar items (a.) Finance and Audit Committee Meeting Minutes and Warrants of February 17, 2026 and (b.) Regular Board Meeting Minutes and Warrants of February 17, 2026 made by Director Carlin and 2nd by Board Vice Chair Brock

Director Keith - Aye
Director Perez - Absent
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: Reorganization of the Board of Directors

Motion to appoint Director Tincher as Board Chair made by Director Brock and 2nd by Director Keith

Director Keith - Aye
Director Perez - Absent
Director Carlin - Aye
Director Brock - Aye
Director Tincher – Aye

- Director Perez arrived at 6:03 PM.

Motion to appoint Director Brock as Vice Board Chair made by Director Carlin and 2nd by Director Perez

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

Finance and Audit Committee: 1. Tincher; 2. Carlin; Alternate: Perez
Personnel Committee: 1. Tincher; 2. Carlin; Alternate: Keith
SGPRWA Committee: 1. Brock; 2. Keith
San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency: 1. Brock; 2. Keith
Special Projects Committee: 1. Carlin; 2. Perez; Alternate: Keith

2. Discussion/Action: Well #2 Repairs – Request to approve repairs using the money budgeted for Capital Projects: Bonita Pipeline (up to \$160,000)

- There is a wobble on the Well #2 shaft. The costs to pull the well are about \$24k, but the costs for the actual repair won't be known until Well Tec examines it. Since the Bonita Pipeline is not expected to take place this fiscal year, GM Clark requested to use the funds that had been budgeted for that project to repair Well #2 and add SCADA to Well #4. Both projects are expected to cost less than \$160k combined.

Motion to approve using the money reserved for the Bonita Pipeline for the Well #2 repair and SCADA for Well #4 made by Board Vice Chair Brock and 2nd by Director Carlin

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

3. Discussion/Action: SCADA for Well #4

- This item was addressed in with the previous item.

4. Discussion: Community Involvement

- Ms. Aguilar explained that multiple hydrants have been stolen and it costs the District several thousand dollars to replace them. There is a flyer at the office requesting that if anyone sees any suspicious activity to please report it to the office. Board Vice Chair Brock agreed to post the flyer to the Cabazon Facebook page and the MAC page.

OLD BUSINESS

UPDATES

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

- Board Vice Chair Brock reported that the SGPWA still hasn't agreed on their meeting times.
- She also shared that Larry Smith is running for LAFCO and several agencies in the area are supporting him.
- Ms. Aguilar announced that if any Directors attend meetings at other agencies, they must take a screenshot with their name displayed. If they forget to do so, she will reach out to that agency's Board Secretary to request a list of attendees.

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

- SGPWA Director Sarah Wargo shared the following updates:
 - USGS finished drilling the monitoring wells. Ramsey St. is now reopened.
 - The SGPWA Board voted on an easement for the most recent Heli-Hydrant the evening before.
 - State water allocations are at 30%.
 - The tree workshop was a success. A fire resiliency workshop is being planned for June.
 - Senate Bill 872 is a bill regarding repairs to water infrastructure and land subsidence.
 - She also expressed support for Larry Smith to LAFCO and recommended that the District votes for him.

**3. Update: CWD Operations Report
(by GM Clark)**

- The new field crew worker started on 03/10.
- The new water billing system is expected to go live on 04/07, and training for the new system is taking place next week.

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 shared that if Cabazon were to become a Firewise community, homeowners could be eligible for discounts on insurance due to reducing wildfire risk. She said Banning Heights is having a workshop regarding Firewise, and that she will share the details if she finds out more about it.

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.
- 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. 03/25/2026 (Wednesday) at 5:00 PM: San Gorgonio Pass Regional Water Alliance Committee Meeting
- b. 04/06/2026 (Monday) at 1:30 PM: San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency Meeting
- c. 04/09/2026 (Thursday) at 6:00 PM: West Desert MAC Meeting at the Community Center
- d. 04/20/2026 (Monday) at 6:00 PM: San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency Meeting
- e. 04/21/2026 (Tuesday) at 5:00 PM: Finance & Audit Committee Meeting
- f. 04/21/2026 (Tuesday) at 6:00 PM: Regular Board Meeting
- g. TBD: Personnel Committee Meeting

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 6:31 PM made by Director Carlin and 2nd by Director Perez

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:31 PM on Tuesday, March 17, 2026



Terry Tincher, Board Chair
Board of Directors
Cabazon Water District



Evelyn Aguilar, Secretary
Board of Directors
Cabazon Water District

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