

# **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

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Meeting Date: Tuesday, April 18, 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 - Absent Director Alan Davis - Present Director Sarah Wargo - 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 March 21, 2023

Regular Board Meeting Minutes and Warrants of March 21, 2023

Motion to approve following consent calendar items (a.) Finance and Audit Committee Meeting Minutes and Warrants of March 21, 2023, and (b.) Regular Board Meeting Minutes and Warrants of March 21, 2023 made by Director Davis and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Director Tincher

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

- 2. Warrants None
- 3. Awards of Contracts Reservoirs No. 2, 3, & 4 Corrosion Repair/Prevention Project J. Colon Coatings, Inc. (Per the March 21, 2023 Board Meeting)

## **UPDATES**

1. Update:

**CWD Operations Report** 

(by GM Pollack)

- > The documents for a loan from RCAC for the rehab of Well #4 were sent out and are awaiting approval.
- > The recoating of Tanks 2, 3, and 4 was awarded to J. Colon Coatings, Inc. The contract documents are being processed.
- > The Broadway/Main cluster valve project is 99% complete, and is just awaiting permanent paying.
- > Borden Excavating, Inc. completed the valve installations. 17 valves were omitted, and additional material was used on some valves.
- > The agreement with Stanley Security is being reviewed with the goal of a contract with reduced monthly rates.
- > Bay City used to perform generator maintenance quarterly, but GM Pollack reduced it to twice a year.
- > The District's field crew has replaced 220 meters in 2023. This will increase accuracy on meter reads and will increase revenue from water bills. The goal is to replace 300 meters annually.
- > Symphony Wireless contacted GM Pollack about buying out the lease for the cell tower located at Well #1. The lease is currently ~\$2,700/month with a 3% annual increase, and the offer from Symphony Wireless is ~\$700k. A representative from Symphony Wireless will be asked to attend the May 16 Board meeting, along with Cindy Byerrum (the District's Accountant).
  - 2. Update:

Community Water Systems Alliance (CWSA) Meeting

(by Director Davis)

- > Director Davis shared that there is an upcoming event in Sacramento in May, but that it didn't really pertain to the District.
  - 3. Update:

San Gorgonio Pass Regional Water Alliance (SGPRWA) Meeting

(by Director Brock)

- Director Brock said that there was a presentation on the water recharging pipeline in the Pass area.
  - 4. Update:

San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency (SGPWA) Meetings

(by Director Davis and Director Brock)

> The SGPWA Board voted to enter into a contract with Cal-Rural regarding assistance for small water systems. \$35k will go towards Cabazon Water District for technical assistance, a preliminary engineering report, GIS mapping, and grant administrative support.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Discussion/Action:

Community Water Systems Alliance ("CWSA") - Vote to continue or stop participating with group

> The Board discussed the benefits of participating in this group and agreed that the costs outweighed the advantages.

Motion to stop participating in the CWSA made by Director Davis and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Director Tincher

Director Brock - Ave **Director Tincher - Ave Director Morris - Absent** Director Davis - Ave Director Wargo - Ave

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Discussion/Action:

Recommendation of Acceptance of Contract Work for Isolation Valve Improvement Project performed by Borden Excavating, Inc.

Motion to accept the Contract Work for Isolation Valve Improvement Project performed by Borden Excavating, Inc made by Director Tincher and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Director Brock

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

2. Discussion/Action:

Collaborative Agencies - Discussion of benefits and potential vote to continue or stop participating with group

# **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))

<sup>\*</sup>This item was tabled for the May 16 Board meeting.

Ron Duncan (SGPWA Director) thanked everyone who showed up at the SGPWA meeting in March. He said that there was a finance meeting last night where they discussed how to get grants. They are hoping to have one entity perform all of the required tasks.

## **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 Budget for FY 24 will reviewed in May with FAC, then in June with whole Board.
- > The offer by Symphony Wireless will be discussed at the May 16 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)

- > GM Pollack had previously mentioned that he plans to have a section of pipeline in the Jensen area upgraded each year. Director Tincher asked if the Board could see the outline of the plans.
- > Director Wargo thanked the public for attending tonight's meeting.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

- 1. Future Board Items/Next Board Meeting Date(s)
- a. 04/24/2023 & 05/08/2023 (Monday) at 1:30 PM: San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency Meeting
- b. 04/26/2023 (Wednesday) at 8:30 AM: Community Water Systems Alliance Meeting
- c. 05/03/2023 (Wednesday) at 5:00 PM: Collaborative Agencies Meeting at Beaumont Unified School District
- d. 05/13/2023 (Saturday) at 10:00 AM: Community Action Committee at the Cabazon Library
- e. 05/16/2023 (Tuesday) at 5:00 PM: Finance & Audit Committee Meeting
- f. 05/16/2023 (Tuesday) at 6:00 PM: Regular Board Meeting
- g. 05/24/2023 (Wednesday) at 5:00 PM: San Gorgonio Pass Regional Water Alliance Committee Meeting
- h. TBD: Personnel Committee Meeting

## <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Motion to adjourn at 6:20 PM made by Director Davis and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Director Tincher

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:20 PM on Tuesday, April 18, 2023

Sarah Wargo, Board Chair

**Board of Directors Cabazon Water District** 

Evelyn Aguilar, Secretary **Board of Directors** 

**Cabazon Water District** 

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