



Minutes of the Casitas Municipal Water District
Board Meeting Held
February 27, 2019

A meeting of the Board of Directors was held February 27, 2019 at the Casitas Municipal Water District located at 1055 Ventura Ave. in Oak View, California. The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. President Kaiser led the group in the flag salute.

1. Roll Call

Directors Spandrio, Brennan, Baggerly, and Kaiser were present. Director Word was absent. Also present were Mike Flood, Interim General Manager, Rebekah Vieira, Clerk of the Board, and Attorney Robert Kwong. There were two staff members and fifteen members of the public in attendance.

2. Public comments (Items not on the agenda – three minute limit).

Fred Drennan showed some pictures and suggested the diversion project be expanded to divert more water during peak storms. He asked that the board look at the feasibility of increasing the size of the diversion canal.

James Kazmarek showed a video and suggested that by laying plastic on the shoreline more water would be captured. It is a low tech project and low risk.

Richard Crawford also discussed the concept of the plastic sheeting and proposed doing a test over the next month to have a proof of concept.

Samantha Omana with Monique Limon's office introduced Michelle Sevilla as the new point person.

3. General Manager comments.

Mr. Flood reported that he attended the water commission meeting last night at the City of Ventura. They are making some decisions on the State Water Project supply. I contacted San Geronio. At this point the City of Ventura is planning to not do an exchange but a one year transfer. Costs are lower this year. We do not have a term sheet from San Geronio. Their Board needs to act on that. Once I have that I will discuss with the Executive committee and bring it to the board. I imagine it will be a similar deal as last year without the exchange component.

We had a presentation from Pueblo Water Resources at Water Resources and had a look at the report they will send us about the Teague test bores. We will bring that to the board on the 13th. The work they have done is thorough.

Mr. Flood showed pictures of Matilija and the sediment load and a picture of Robles showing sediment. He explained that he is working on a permit on this and have a meeting to get this project going in August.

As of Monday, we have been running solid for about two weeks. Lake rise from Jan 9th is 15.75 feet. a 20,500 af increase. The quality of water is getting better. There will be a report at Recreation committee next week on how good the turbidity curtains are doing.

4. Board of Director comments.

Director Brennan mentioned that the County of Santa Barbara does cloud seeding. Do we do that here? Director Baggerly explained it would be the County of Ventura and I have asked them and they said no. President Kaiser added we looked at in the past.

5. Board of Director Verbal Reports on Meetings Attended.

Director Spandrio attended the Upper Ventura River Groundwater Agency Budget Ad Hoc Committee and will present the revised fiscal 18/19 budget and proposed long range six year budget at the upcoming meeting.

Director Brennan attended the water issues meeting at AWA it very informative and informed of pending legislation. He also attended the Water Wise breakfast. He also attended a presentation of the Port Hueneme Historical Society on steelhead. It was enlightening. Director Brennan was also in attendance at the water commission meeting and encouraged the commission to send a letter to encourage the council to that because they have fallen behind in CIP projects to look for third party contractors to do the work.

6. Consent Agenda

ADOPTED

- a. Minutes from the February 13, 2019 meeting.

The Consent Agenda was offered by Director Baggerly, seconded by Director Brennan and adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Directors:	Spandrio, Brennan, Baggerly, Kaiser
NOES:	Directors:	None
ABSENT:	Directors:	Word

7. Review of District Accounts Payable Report for the Period of 2/07/19 - 2/20/19. APPROVED

On the motion of Director Brennan, seconded by Director Baggerly, the Accounts Payable Report was approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Directors: Spandrio, Brennan, Baggerly, Kaiser
NOES: Directors: None
ABSENT: Directors: Word

8. Recommendation to deny request by Sam Chang for relief of the Conservation Penalty totaling \$345.00. REQUEST DENIED

On the motion of Director Baggerly, seconded by Director Brennan the above request for relief was denied by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Directors: Spandrio, Brennan, Baggerly, Kaiser
NOES: Directors: None
ABSENT: Directors: Word

9. Recommendation to deny request by Richard Hodges for relief of the Conservation Penalty totaling \$805.00. REQUEST DENIED

On the motion of Director Brennan, seconded by Director Baggerly the above request for relief was denied by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Directors: Spandrio, Brennan, Baggerly, Kaiser
NOES: Directors: None
ABSENT: Directors: Word

10. Recommendation to deny request by Stephanie Beas for relief of the Conservation Penalty totaling \$255.00. REQUEST DENIED

On the motion of Director Brennan, seconded by Director Spandrio the above request for relief was denied by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Directors: Spandrio, Brennan, Baggerly, Kaiser
NOES: Directors: None
ABSENT: Directors: Word

11. Consideration of Surplus sale of District Assets. APPROVED

On the motion of Director Brennan, seconded by Director Baggerly, the items were designated as surplus and approved for sale by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Directors: Spandrio, Brennan, Baggerly, Kaiser
NOES: Directors: None

ABSENT: Directors: Word

12. Authorize General Manager to complete necessary agreements to open a Custodial Account with U.S. Bank. APPROVED

On the motion of Director Baggerly, seconded by Director Brennan, the above recommendation was approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Directors: Spandrio, Brennan, Baggerly, Kaiser
NOES: Directors: None
ABSENT: Directors: Word

13. Consideration of Upper Ventura River Groundwater Agency funding request. APPROVED

On the motion of Director Spandrio, seconded by Director Baggerly, the board supports funding option two which was approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Directors: Spandrio, Brennan, Baggerly, Kaiser
NOES: Directors: None
ABSENT: Directors: Word

14. Authorize General Manager to Issue a Task Order to MNS Engineers, Inc. for professional engineering services for Emily Street and Canada Street Pipeline Improvements for a fee not to exceed \$55,510. APPROVED

On the motion of Director Baggerly, seconded by Director Spandrio the above recommendation was approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Directors: Spandrio, Brennan, Baggerly, Kaiser
NOES: Directors: None
ABSENT: Directors: Word

15. Authorize General Manager to Issue a Task Order to Water Works Engineers, Inc. for Ventura-Santa Barbara Counties Intertie for a fee not to exceed \$762,759. APPROVED

On the motion of Director Baggerly, seconded by Director Spandrio the above recommendation was approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Directors: Spandrio, Brennan, Baggerly, Kaiser
NOES: Directors: None
ABSENT: Directors: Word

16. Authorize General Manager to Sign Professional Services Agreement for Casitas-Ventura State Water Project Interconnection Preliminary Design with Kennedy Jenks for a fee not to exceed \$239,975. APPROVED

On the motion of Director Spandrio, seconded by Director Brennan the above recommendation was approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Directors: Spandrio, Brennan, Baggerly, Kaiser
NOES: Directors: None
ABSENT: Directors: Word

17. Continuing discussion regarding Stage 4 Water Supply Condition at Lake Casitas.

Direction was provided to staff to remove this item from the agenda until such time as it needs to be reconsidered.

18. Discussion of budget for a proposal to process a State Implementation Policy Exception with the State Water Resources Control Board for quagga-related treatment from Blankinship & Assoc./Clean Lakes, Inc. in the amount of \$85,000. APPROVED

On the motion of Director Baggerly, seconded by Director Spandrio the above recommendation was approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Directors: Spandrio, Brennan, Baggerly, Kaiser
NOES: Directors: None
ABSENT: Directors: Word

19. Discussion of Primary Water Resources Proposal of January 15th, 2019 in regard to authorizing expenditure of District counsel funds for further investigation and vetting. NO ACTION TAKEN

Mr. Kwong explained that there is a need to do some due diligence on this so that the board is protected, there are no negative impacts, and you take on the relationship with open eyes and ears facing litigation with water rights because of action of the city of Ventura.

Ted Moore explained that it is best to hold off at this point as I would like to do more investigation. Pueblo is going to give a report on feasibility of drilling. We may disagree but I may want to come back and recast that proposal. And I need to spend more time talking it through with my attorney.

Director Spandrio suggested that he come back with his geologists and give a presentation to the board.

20. Director Request: Discussion of sending a letter of support for Ventura River Watershed Instream Flow Enhancement and Water Resiliency Regional Framework. No Action Taken

The board discussed a letter of support and determined that they would not provide a letter of support after hearing from counsel.

21. Director Request: Discussion regarding financial participation in the Localizing California Waters Regional Summit at the Ojai Valley Inn; April 29-30, 2019.

This item withdrawn at the request of the requestor – they will be here on the 13th.

22. Information Items:

- a. Executive Committee Minutes.
- b. Finance Committee Minutes.
- c. Water Resources Committee Minutes.
- d. Personnel Committee Minutes.
- e. Recreation Area Monthly Report for December, 2018.
- f. Water Consumption Report
- g. Investment Report.
- h. CFD 2013-1 Improvement, Bond Funds and Project Report

On the motion of Director Brennan, seconded by Director Spandrio, the Information items were approved for filing by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Directors:	Spandrio, Brennan, Baggerly, Kaiser
NOES:	Directors:	None
ABSENT:	Directors:	Word

President Kaiser moved the meeting to closed session at 5:10 p.m.

23. Closed Session

- a. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION (Government Code §54956.9(a)
Santa Barbara Channelkeeper v. State Water Resources Control Board; City of San Buenaventura, San Francisco County Superior Court, Case No. CPF-14-513875.

President Kaiser moved the meeting back into open session at 5:28 p.m. and stated that no action was taken.

24. Adjournment.

President Kaiser adjourned the meeting at 5:28 p.m.