



Minutes of the Casitas Municipal Water District
Board Meeting Held
August 9, 2017

A meeting of the Board of Directors was held August 9, 2017 at the Oak View Resource Center located at 555 Mahoney Ave. in Oak View, California. The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. Directors Baggerly, Word, Hicks, and Bergen were present. Director Kaiser was absent. Also present were Steve Wickstrum, General Manager, Rebekah Vieira, Clerk of the Board, and Attorney, John Mathews. There were ten staff members and ten members of the public in attendance. President Baggerly led the group in the flag salute.

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

None

2. General Manager comments.

Mr. Wickstrum notified the board that the office remodel is progressing rapidly and we expect to be able to hold our next board meeting at the District office. The furniture will be a temporary set up but we will have air conditioning. Staff have endured another year of construction at the office and we appreciate Barbara Kennedy's generosity allowing us have meetings at this location and accommodating us for some time now.

The Ojai system is moving well with meter replacements. Over 600 meters have been changed out in eight days of work. We are finding a lot of different things and angle stops that are being operated for the first time. Bill Warner called to thank the crews for the swift meter change and expressed appreciation for the customer service group in administration. We are receiving positive responses from the neighborhoods we go into. Many people very happy with the changes. Neil Cole finished a meeting with WSC to begin the assessments for the Ojai system. We are making some schedule changes to move some things earlier.

The district is receiving many calls on the annual customers for their water conservation surcharge. We are reviewing those.

3. Board of Director comments.

President Baggerly mentioned that he was invited as a presenter for the Well Untapped 2017 meeting in Oxnard on the 12th. It is Water Education for Latino Leaders.

4. Board of Director Verbal Reports on Meetings Attended.

Director Bergen reported working on the grant application for the UVRGSA.

5. Consent Agenda

ADOPTED

a. Minutes from the July 26, 2017 meeting.

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

AYES: Directors: Bergen, Hicks, Word, Baggerly
NOES: Directors: None
ABSENT: Directors: Kaiser

6. Review of District Accounts Payable Report for the Period of 7/20/17 - 8/02/17. APPROVED

On the motion of Director Hicks, seconded by Director Word, the report was approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Directors: Bergen, Hicks, Word, Baggerly
NOES: Directors: None
ABSENT: Directors: Kaiser

7. Introduction of Park Ranger Staff and Pinning of Badges.

Mr. Wickstrum said it is a proud day for the district after working for many years to formalize our Park Ranger program. We have good sound policies and training procedures and good sound personnel to move forward with this program. Thank every one of you for the efforts this past summer and those who have been here before. Mr. Wickstrum pinned badges on the following Park Rangers:

Mitch Abel
Kyler Heath
Joshua Lake
Joe Martinez
Ashley Nichols

Mr. Wickstrum then stated that for leadership it is also appropriate that we have a park manager who is also a peace officer and has qualified and is part of

the officer team and he recognized Park Services Manager Carol Belser and provided her with her badge.

8. Update on the Matilija Formation Horizontal Bore Project – Presentation by Lou Nagy, Water Resources Engineering Associates, and Jordan Kear, Kear Groundwater.

Jordan Kear and Lou Nagy provided an update on the Matilija Formation Horizontal Bore Project that included many pictures of their findings. From what they can determine, none of the local wells are subtracting water from the Matilija Formation and there is a significant volume of water in storage.

At 3:40 p.m., Director Hicks leaves.

They discussed the permitting process and the application for a permit to install data loggers. They anticipate a minimum of two years to gather data that will assist with the CEQA and EIR process. The data will be able to be converted to make a hydrograph of the water flowing over those springs and can provide a long-term record of how things were before the project and after the project.

The next steps are to apply for the FS 299 permit to install data loggers. This will be submitted by next week. Monitor creek flow visually and then at 90-minute intervals, determine water quality, Evaluate CEQA and environmental impact. Anticipated costs are \$6-7 million at this point.

9. Resolution authorizing payment of the Developer Advance Contracts for Community Facilities District No. 2013-01 (Ojai). ADOPTED

The resolution was offered by Director Word, seconded by Director Bergen and adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Directors: Bergen, Word, Baggerly
NOES: Directors: None
ABSENT: Directors: Kaiser, Hicks

10. Information Items: APPROVED

- a. Water Resources Committee Minutes.
- b. Water Conservation Update for July, 2017.
- c. Notice of ACWA Fall Conference November 28 – December 1.
- d. Water Consumption Report.
- e. CFD No. 2013-1 (Ojai) Monthly Cost Analysis.
- f. Investment Report.

On the motion of Director Bergen, seconded by Director Word, the Information items were approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Directors: Bergen, Word, Baggerly

NOES: Directors: None
ABSENT: Directors: Kaiser, Hicks

11. Adjournment.

President Baggerly adjourned the meeting at 4:39 p.m.

Bill Hicks, Secretary