

Minutes of the Casitas Municipal Water District  
Board Meeting Held  
October 28, 2015

A meeting of the Board of Directors was held October 28, 2015 at the District office in Oak View, California. The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. Directors Bergen, Kaiser, Baggerly, Word and Hicks were present. Also present were Steve Wickstrum, General Manager, Rebekah Vieira, Clerk of the Board, and Attorney, John Mathews. There were six staff members and two members of the public in attendance. President Bergen 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 informed the board of an email he had received last week regarding the possibility of the LA 24 Olympic committee looking at Lake Casitas. On November 13<sup>th</sup> a group from AECOM will be on site to view the lake and further develop their ideas on using the lake as the rowing and canoeing venue. We will find out what their ideas are. They are trying to figure out how to best put this on and win the bid for the Olympics. The Bureau of Reclamation has been informed of their interest.

Mr. Wickstrum then notified the board of a change order that he approved last week to extend the painting of the rail cart on the intake tunnel for areas that have been exposed in the past few months.

Mr. Wickstrum discussed the community El Nino meeting and expressed that we have also been talking with our staff regarding El Nino.

Mr. Wickstrum then introduced Lindsay Cao as our recently hired Civil Engineer. Ms. Cao expressed that she is excited to join the team and looks forward to new challenges.

3. Board of Director comments.

Director Word mentioned he drove by Lake Cachuma on Monday and from the south edge you drive about a mile and half before you can see any water. Mr. Wickstrum added they are at 16%.

Director Hicks mentioned a golf course in Orange County that has signage stating they have used recycled water for 20 years. Director Kaiser added Elkins Ranch golf course uses recycled water. Director Word added that the golf course before Cachuma has a green about the size of this table. The rest of the course is brown.

Director Baggerly reported he was contacted by Pat Tumamait a representative of the Chumash committee. They were wondering about the

vegetation removal at the lake. He invited them to contact Steve and Neil and their concerns were addressed appropriately. Mr. Cole added that they are expected to start on Monday or Tuesday.

President Bergen mentioned an invitation she had received to a workshop by the Governor's office on November 5<sup>th</sup> in San Luis Obispo. They are talking about land use and water. There was no interest by the board in attending.

Mr. Mathews mentioned the Ventura Special Districts Association meeting on December 1<sup>st</sup> at 5:00.

4. Board of Director Verbal Reports on Meetings Attended.

Director Hicks reported on his attendance at the AWA meeting adding it was the best presentation I have seen on the Delta. The speaker claimed if the Delta broke it would be the biggest natural disaster in the US. The water issues meeting had a presentation from the City of Port Hueneme. They get 80% of their water from United and 20% from Calleguas. They supply the naval bases.

5. Consent Agenda ADOPTED

- a. Minutes of October 14, 2015 Meeting.
- b. Minutes of the August 26, 2015 Meeting.

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

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

6. Bills APPROVED

On the motion of Director Hicks, seconded by Director Kaiser, the bills were approved by the following roll call vote:

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

7. Report of action taken by Casitas Municipal Water District Board of Directors in closed session on September 23, 2015 regarding a claim filed under the Government Claims Act Government Code Section 810 et seq.) by Randy and Selena Mitchell on behalf of Hannah Mitchell against the Casitas Municipal Water District.

Mr. Mathews reported that at the last board meeting I advised that we did not open the door when we came out of closed session on September 23<sup>rd</sup>. The Board authorized counsel and staff to seek a compromise and release on a potential litigation item and there was no other reportable action taken.

8. Resolution awarding a contract to Oilfield Electric in the amount of \$403,500 for Ventura Avenue Pump Plant No. 2 Electrical Upgrade, Specification 15-380. ADOPTED

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

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

Resolution is numbered 15-43

9. Resolution changing the dates of the November Board Meetings and cancelling the second Board Meeting in December. ADOPTED

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

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

Resolution is numbered 15-44

Mr. Mathews informed the board of the need for a closed session that could take about an hour and suggested holding a special meeting. The board decided not to hold a special meeting for this item.

10. Information Items:

- a. Finance Committee Minutes.
- b. Letter from Terry Coultas Wilson & Family
- c. Investment Report.

On the motion of Director Kaiser, seconded by Director Hicks, the Information Items were approved by the following roll call vote:

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

President Bergen moved the meeting to closed session at 3:24 p.m.

11. Closed Session

- a. Conference with Legal Counsel -- Anticipated Litigation  
Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9, Government Code. (number of potential cases: one)

President Bergen moved the meeting back into open session at 3:52 p.m. with Mr. Mathews reporting on the anticipated litigation matter there was no action taken.

12. Adjournment

President Bergen adjourned the meeting at 3:53 p.m.

  
Russ Baggerly