

Minutes of the Casitas Municipal Water District
Board Meeting Held
August 11, 2010

A meeting of the Board of Directors was held August 11, 2010 at Casitas' Office, Oak View, California. Directors Handley, 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 two staff members and no members of the public in attendance. President Handley led the group in the flag salute.

1. Public comments.

None

2. General Manager comments.

Mr. Wickstrum reported that the annual audit is being conducted this week and is going well.

Mr. Wickstrum informed the board that the lake is experiencing an algae bloom consisting of long stringy algae that coats the filter plant. It is sticky and difficult to backwash out. We propose using Clean Lakes, Inc. to provide a shoreline treatment of hydrogen peroxide at a cost of approximately \$15,000 to try to combat this algae. This is not the typical taste and odor problem that we have treated with copper sulfate. Now is a good time to try this treatment. Water Quality Supervisor Susan McMahon will follow up on the effectiveness of this treatment.

Mr. Wickstrum reported that he spoke with Michael Jackson regarding the scheduling of a meeting with the Bureau of Reclamation. He then mentioned a letter that had been delivered to all directors from a customer regarding extra car fees at the gate. Park Services Manager Carol Belser has been provided with the letter and will resolve the issue.

3. Board of Director comments.

Director Baggerly reported that he attended the Tri County Fish Team Forum and the Salmonid Restoration Federation will be having their annual conference in San Luis Obispo and he suggested having this as a topic of discussion for a board meeting in September to consider possible levels of participation. Director Baggerly requested that he receive any pleadings in the CMWD vs. United States case. He then mentioned the current success with dealing with gophers at the lake. Carol Belser reported that in Isla Vista which is a non pesticide district they abated the gophers by using ex lax. It does not affect birds of prey. They have tried this at the lake and have seen positive results. Director Kaiser suggested the Audobon Society may be able to help with owl boxes.

4. Consent Agenda

- a. Minutes of the July 28, 2010 Board Meeting.
- b. Resolution directing the execution of a joint funding agreement between United States Geological Survey and Casitas for stream gaging stations.
- c. Recommend approval of a purchase order to Consolidated Electrical Distributors in the amount of \$93,700 for the purchase of electrical motor control centers and associated electrical equipment for upper Ojai pump plant electrical upgrade project.
- d. Resolution cancelling the August 25th board meeting.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Consent Agenda

Director Word asked for item b to be pulled for discussion

The consent agenda minus item b was offered by Director Kaiser, seconded by Director Baggerly and adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

Resolution is numbered 10-22.

Director Word expressed concerns regarding federal matching funds for the joint funding agreement in item b. Mr. Wickstrum explained they have been consistent at continuing this agreement and getting the funding for it.

The resolution for item b was offered by Director Word, seconded by Director Kaiser and passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Resolution is numbered 10-23.

5. Bills

On the motion of Director Kaiser, seconded by Director Baggerly and passed, the bills were approved.

6. Information Items:

- a. Monthly Cost Analysis for operation of Robles, fisheries and fish passage.
- b. Cost Analysis for fiscal year 2009/2010.

- c. News Articles
- d. Investment Report

7. Adjournment

President Handley adjourned the meeting at 4:53 p.m.

Secretary