



Minutes of the Casitas Municipal Water District
Board Meeting Held
August 14, 2019

A meeting of the Board of Directors was held August 14, 2019 at the Casitas Municipal Water District located at 1055 Ventura Ave. in Oak View, California.

1. Call to Order

President Kaiser called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Directors Word, Spandrio, Baggerly and Kaiser were present. Director Brennan arrived at 3:03 p.m. Also in attendance were General Manager Mike Flood, Clerk of the Board Rebekah Vieira and Attorney John Mathews. There were four staff members and five members of the public in attendance.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

President Kaiser introduced Accounting Technician Efren Alvarez Galindo who recently received his citizenship and led the pledge of allegiance

4. Agenda Confirmation - Consider and approve, by majority vote, minor revisions to Board items and/or attachments and any item added to, or removed/continued from, the Agenda.

None

5. Public comments – presentations on District related items that are not appearing on the agenda – three minute limit.

Retired General Manager John Johnson addressed his concerns regarding a change in retiree health care for his wife and the requirement to purchase Medicare Part B. The Board decided to discuss this further in Finance or Executive Committee.

6. Consent Agenda

- a. Approve and Adopt Minutes from the July 24, 2019 meeting.

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

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

7. Action Items:

- a. Review, Approve and Accept District Accounts Payable Report for the Period of 7/11/19 – 7/31/19. APPROVED

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

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

- b. Discussion and Approval Regarding Bond Consultant Proposals/Contracts for a proposed 12.75M Series C Issuance of CFD 2013-1 Bonds (Ojai Water System). APPROVED

Suzanne Harrell of Harrell and Company provided a presentation on the proposed Series C issuance of CFD 2013-1 Bonds for the Ojai Water System.

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

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

On the motion of Director Brennan, seconded by Director Word, the Clerk of the Board is to work to schedule required bond training. This was approved by the following roll call vote:

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

- c. Approve and Authorize the General Manager to sign a Task Order for Engineering Design Services to MNS Engineers, Inc. in the not to exceed amount of \$69,665.00 for the Rincon Main Pipeline Relocation (Ayers Creek Crossing). APPROVED

On the motion of Director Baggerly, seconded by Director Brennan, items 7 c and 7 d were approved by the following roll call vote:

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

- d. Approve and Authorize the General Manager to sign a Task Order for Environmental Consulting Services to Rincon consultants, Inc. in the not to exceed amount of \$34,568.00 for the Rincon Main Pipeline Relocation (Ayers Creek Crossing). APPROVED

Motion was included in 7 c above.

- e. Adopt Resolution scheduling a public hearing for September 11, 2019 regarding Board Compensation. ADOPTED

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

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

Resolution is numbered 2019-21

8. Receive and File Information Items:

- a. Engineering Status Report for June 2019.
- b. Lake Casitas Recreation Area report June, 2019.
- c. Water Resources Minutes
- d. Special Executive Committee Minutes
- e. Finance Committee Minutes
- f. CFD 2013 Report.
- g. Consumption Report for June, 2019.
- h. Investment Report.

Director Spandrio questioned items in the Engineering Status Report.

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

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

9. General Manager comments. Brief announcements and report on District activities.

General Manager Mike Flood mentioned the Op Ed in the Ojai Valley News regarding the PWR concepts. He then informed the board that an offer has been made and accepted for an Assistant General Manager candidate subject to pre-employment criteria. It was a great group of candidates.

10. Board of Director Reports on Meetings Attended.

Director Brennan reported on attendance at the Ventura County Watershed meeting and also the Ventura City Council meeting.

Director Baggerly attended the OBGMA special meeting to develop a response to DWR based on their tentative denial of our alternative demonstration in relationship to seven undesirable results. Based on our enabling legislation and other sections of the law we will develop thresholds and policies related to the results and put it into our groundwater management plan.

11. Board of Director Comments per Government Code Section 54954.2, subdivision (a).

Director Brennan suggested the PR Committee provide some information to the press on a quarterly basis or something to get information in the press on what we are doing.

President Kaiser mentioned the redesigned website and suggested that it be used to provide additional information and Director Brennan suggested having nice videos to put up on the website and also on social media.

Director Spandrio commented on issues with the video system such as inconsistencies with sound quality and directors not speaking into their mics and presentations not being readable. Video quality is poor and there is only one camera angle of the full board. There is no view of the podium or the presenter and they frequently can't be heard and don't identify themselves for the record. When the board engages the audience they are not at the podium and comments cannot be heard. Director Spandrio suggested that there be an agenda item on the next board agenda to hear from staff on how we create a system comparable to the Ojai and Ventura video systems. The board was supportive of this and Mr. Flood suggested it being reviewed by the PR Committee and there is not adequate time to put something together before the next meeting. Director Spandrio added we can discuss where we want to go at the next meeting.

President Kaiser mentioned that the LCRA display at the Ventura County Fair received an honorable mention and he also acknowledged the craftsman and woodworking efforts of Director Word.

President Kaiser moved the meeting to closed session at 3:54 p.m.

12. 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; and City of San Buenaventura v. Abbott et al., Los Angeles County Superior Court, Complex Civil Division, Case No. CPF-14-513875.
- b. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED
LITIGATION (Government Code §54956.9(b)
Number of potential cases: 1
- c. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING
LITIGATION (Government Code §54956.9(a)
Bodycombe v. Casitas Municipal Water District. Ventura Superior Court, Small Claims Division, Case No. 2019SC000978.

President Kaiser moved the meeting back into open session at 5:20 p.m. with Mr. Mathews stating the board met in closed session to discuss three matters and no action was taken.

13. Adjournment.

President Kaiser adjourned the meeting at 5:20 p.m.

Brian Brennan, Secretary