

Minutes of the Casitas Municipal Water District Board Meeting Held March 13, 2019

A meeting of the Board of Directors was held March 13, 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 Word, Spandrio, Brennan, Baggerly, and Kaiser were present. Also present were Mike Flood, Interim General Manager, Rebekah Vieira, Clerk of the Board, and Attorney Robert Kwong. There were three staff members and eleven members of the public in attendance.

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

None

3. General Manager comments.

Mr. Flood reported on his visit to Robles today and the silt loading which appears to be as bad as it was before it was cleaned out. The brushes are working as we made some modifications. We might have to shut it down next week. The current flow is about 130 cfs providing approximately 260 acre feet per day. We are roughly 43% full and since Jan. 9th we have put in about 30,000 AF. Will keep the board updated if we need to shut down.

4. Board of Director comments.

Director Word mentioned he was pleased to see the article in the Star this morning and he thanked the staff who have worked over the last several years to get an agreement on how to share water with the fish and the people that use it.

Director Brennan commented on the opportunity he had last week to meet with Julia Brownley in DC and I thanked her for the letter she sent. I also spoke with Salud Carbajal and he is interested in water issues too and he would like us to keep him informed.

Director Baggerly suggested that the Executive Committee should start to put together bylaws for the Board. The Executive Committee could also look at the structure of the agenda we put out to be Brown Act compliant.

5. <u>Board of Director Verbal Reports on Meetings Attended.</u>

Director Word attended the AWA board meeting and there are three events coming up, on the 19th the water issues committee is discussing water conservation and drought planning and legislation. The second meeting is the Waterwise breakfast meeting on the 21st that will have legal briefings from some of the involved attorneys talking about adjudication for Mound and Ventura River. The third meeting is on the 18th of April and is the Annual Water Symposium which is a half-day session which will zero in on major water issues.

Director Spandrio reported attending the State of the District committee meeting this past Monday and looked at the program for the presentation on the 26th of March. It will be an exciting event. The public is encouraged to attend. President Kaiser added staff has done a great job of putting this together and the board appreciates taking on that task along with taking on the budget tasks.

6. Consent Agenda

ADOPTED

a. Minutes from the February 27, 2019 meeting.

On the motion of Director Brennan, seconded by Director Baggerly, the consent agenda was adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Directors: Spandrio, Brennan, Baggerly, Kaiser

NOES: Directors: None ABSENT: Directors: None ABSTAIN: Directors: Word

7. Review of District Accounts Payable Report for the Period of 2/21/19 - 3/06/19. 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

8. <u>Authorize General Manager to sign Task Order Amendment for engineering services to MNS Engineers, Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$32,901 for Upper Rincon Lateral Pipeline Replacement Geotechnical and Trenchless Investigation.</u>

APPROVED

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

AYES: Directors: Word, Spandrio, Brennan, Baggerly,

Kaiser

NOES: Directors: None ABSENT: Directors: None

9. Authorize General Manager to sign Professional Services Agreement for engineering services to Pueblo Water Resources, Inc. in the not to exceed amount of \$65,000 for Gorham Well #1 Rehabilitation and San Antonio Well #4 Rehabilitation.

APPROVED

On the motion of Director Baggerly, 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

10. Resolution awarding a contract to Legend Pump & Well Service, Inc., in the amount of \$125,497 and adopt the Notice of Exemption for the Gorham Well #1 Rehabilitation.

ADOPTED

The resolution as offered by Director Baggerly, seconded by Director Word and passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Directors: Word, Spandrio, Brennan, Baggerly,

Kaiser

NOES: Directors: None ABSENT: Directors: None

Resolution is numbered 19-09

11. <u>Authorize General Manager to sign Task Order Amendment for engineering services to MKN in the not to exceed amount of \$24,762 for Signal Booster Zone Preliminary Design.</u>

APPROVED

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

AYES: Directors: Word, Spandrio, Brennan, Baggerly,

Kaiser

NOES: Directors: None ABSENT: Directors: None

12. Authorize General Manager to sign Task Order for engineering services to MKN in the not to exceed amount of \$323,221 for Running Ridge

Hydraulic Improvements Design. APPROVED

On the motion of Director Baggerly, 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

13. <u>Presentation by Pueblo Water Resources of the Teague Groundwater</u> Feasibility Assessment.

Martin Feeney of Pueblo Water Resources provided a presentation on the assessment of the Teague Groundwater and determined that it would be anticipated to provide low yield at a high cost for the water produced. An alternative would be to locate a well along the canal and pump water into the canal.

14. <u>Discussion of 2019 State Water Project Table A Supply</u>.

Mr. Flood discussed the opportunity to discuss with San Gorgonio regarding transferring 2019 Table A water. Last year we had an exchange but this year the return of water is off the table. This will come back to the board at a later date.

15. LCW Regional Summit Presentation by Sierra Watershed Progressive.

Asia with the Sierra Watershed progressive provided information on the LCW Regional Summit and invited the District to be a sponsor. The LCW Water Conference is a statewide conference held for a number of years to remove barriers for health communities. We bring together leaders in water management and facilitate connections across silos and bring in state policy to help support initiatives.

The Board discussed with District Counsel concerns regarding participation in light of the current legal action facing the district. The majority of the board did not feel comfortable in sponsoring the event but board members could attend the event.

16. Board Priorities List Update.

Mr. Flood provided the updated Board Priorities list.

17. <u>Director Request: Discussion of Resolution 06-54 "Resolution Setting the Policy on Committee Meetings According to Government Code Section 54954(a)"</u>.

Director Spandrio requested that this be brought to the board and suggested that a couple of changes be made to it. One is to clearly state in the resolution that any member of any committee can move a topic from the committee to the board agenda for discussion. Second, and this ties in with starting to draft bylaws, Casitas should establish a format for paragraph designations. I would like to see the resolution improved for paragraph designation. Develop bylaws and establish paragraph format to be consistent across everything Casitas publishes.

President Kaiser explained this is one of the reasons that he added future agenda items as an agenda item. No action was taken but the Board will work to develop bylaws with counsel in Executive Committee and also hear Director Spandrio's concerns regarding paragraph designation.

18. Information Items:

- a. Hydrologic Status Report for February, 2019.
- b. Engineering Status Report for March, 2019.
- c. Water Consumption Report.
- d. CFD 2013-1 Improvement, Bond Funds and Project Report.
- e. Investment Report.

The information items were offered by Director Word, seconded by Director Brennan and approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Directors: Word, Spandrio, Brennan, Baggerly,

Kaiser

NOES: Directors: None ABSENT: Directors: None

19. Future Agenda Items.

None

20. Adjournment.

President Kaiser adjourned the meeting at 4:33 p.m.