



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

A meeting of the Board of Directors was held February 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 John Mathews. There were three staff members and ten members of the public in attendance.

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

William Weirick expressed continued concern and frustration with the Ventura Public Works and the San Antonio Spreading Grounds and urged the district to open up discussions with public works to get the project operational.

Bob Daddi expressed concerns about not knowing what you are doing and continuing to hear excuses. He suggested utilizing our US Representatives as he does not see the district as being attentive to the problem with fisheries. I hear all kinds of patchwork things except solutions and when we are going to get it done. I have almost 100 letters I have got at the newspaper. There are lots of people that are unhappy. I am getting calls that it is more expensive than they thought. Someone needs to tell us when you get things done and have a timeline. It is not good business or good governance.

3. General Manager comments.

Mr. Flood provided information on the availability of State Water Project Article 2 water and United has indicated their interest in that program and I have signed up for the program on their behalf.

In the Ojai Water System, we received a call from the fire department of a leak on 2:30 in the morning and a 2930's era pipe that runs across the city has burst. Crews will continue to chase these as they have weekly for the last 18 months. Director Baggerly gave a shout out for one of our employees, Brian

Taylor, who figured out how to stop the leak so that it didn't cause the shutdown for the entire city of Ojai. He has been on and dealing with over 200 leaks within this system. Because he figured out how to close off the right valves the rest of the city is not involved. Good Job Brian.

At the Robles Diversion Facility Mr. Flood reported on the emergency work that was done to get the silt and debris removed. There is still eight or nine feet of silt in the fore bay that will need to be dealt with. We received about three feet of silt in about five days in the screen bay. It took finesse from Fisheries and us to get in there for an emergency. We are back running today. The screens will work if we have staff there attending to them.

4. Board of Director comments.

Director Word suggested that those who say nothing is happening might want to look at the engineering report in today's agenda.

Director Spandrio asked about the HR search and Mr. Flood replied that the brochure has been approved and we are trying to get the position filled by May.

Director Brennan thanked staff for their patience in providing information.

Director Kaiser reported that he accompanied the General Manager at the fish ladder and diversion canal on Friday. It is amazing to see the crew work. They love their job. They were in that muck and mud and doing the work in a timely way. It was very impressive. They are successful in what they do. Extend congratulations to staff on a job well done.

5. Board of Director Verbal Reports on Meetings Attended.

Director Spandrio attended the VRWC meeting, the OBGMA meeting and the Upper Ventura River Groundwater Agency meeting.

Director Brennan attended the VRWC meeting.

6. Consent Agenda

ADOPTED

- a. Minutes from the January 23, 2019 meeting.
- b. Minutes from the January 19, 2019 Special Meeting.

The Consent Agenda was offered by Director Word, 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

7. Review of District Accounts Payable Report for the Period of 1/17/19 - 2/06/19. APPROVED

On the motion of Director Brennan, seconded by Director Baggerly, 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. Recommendation to deny the request of Mr. Kaneb to reverse \$1,130.00 in conservation penalties. CONTINUED

Director Kaiser reported that items 8-12 have been continued to a future board meeting to allow staff and counsel to review the conservation penalty issues.

9. Recommend approval of Mrs. Lanning's request to waive \$6,775 in over allocation penalties. CONTINUED

10. Recommend approval of Rebecca and Shaun Willhite's request to waive \$1,845.00 in conservation penalties. CONTINUED

11. Recommend approval of Roger Erickson's request to waive \$1,030.00 in conservation penalties. CONTINUED

12. Recommend approval of Don Black's request to waive the \$525.00 conservation penalty. CONTINUED

13. Recommend that the General Manager be authorized to purchase a sewage vacuum vehicle for the Lake Casitas Recreation Area in the not to exceed amount of \$94,000. 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

14. Continuing discussion regarding Stage 4 Water Supply Condition at Lake Casitas.

Mr. Flood discussed the provided information.

15. Authorize the General Manager to use Casitas MWD Storm Damage Reserve Funds in the amount of up to \$200,000.00 for Emergency-Related Storm Damage Activities at the Robles Fish Passage Facility for calendar year 2019. APPROVED

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

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

16. Resolution releasing APN 032-0-010-040 from Casitas Municipal Water District Service Area to Ventura River Water District. ADOPTED

Bert Rapp of Ventura River Water District and owner Vincent Accaluso spoke in favor of the action.

The resolution was offered by Director Word, 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 19-07

17. Resolution releasing APN 032-0-202-105 from Casitas Municipal Water District Service Area to Ventura River Water District. ADOPTED

The resolution was offered by Director Word, 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 19-08

18. Discussion of 2019 State Water Project Table A Water Supply.

On the motion of Director Baggerly to reject Turnback Pool A, this was seconded by Director Word and approved by the following roll call vote:

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

19. Review of Board Priorities Task List.

The Board reviewed the Board Priorities Task List and heard input from Bob Daddi regarding using the same format as the engineering report as he would like to see an easy to use matrix of everything. President Kaiser cautioned Board members to be mindful of the priorities and that anything added on is outside the priorities.

On the motion of Director Word, seconded by Director Brennan, the Board Priorities Task List and a request for the General Manager to provide an ongoing status of progress, was approved by the following roll call vote:

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

20. Information Items:

- a. Monthly Engineering Status Report for February, 2019.
- b. Hydrologic Status Report for January, 2019.
- c. Recreation Committee Minutes.
- d. Water Consumption Report
- e. Investment Report.

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

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

President Kaiser moved the meeting to closed session at 4:23 p.m. with Mr. Mathews stating that we will be coming back into open session with any announcements at that time.

21. 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, San Francisco County Superior Court, Case No. CPF-14-513875.
- b. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation Pursuant to Government Code § 54956.9(d)(4) (Number of Potential Cases: 1)

President Kaiser moved the meeting to open session at 5:11 p.m. with Mr. Mathews stating board met with General Counsel on closed session items. Direction was given but there were no actions to report.

22. Adjournment.

President Kaiser adjourned the meeting at 5:12 p.m.

Brian Brennan, Secretary