# Minutes of the Casitas Municipal Water District

#### Board Meeting held

July 22, 2020

#### 1. Call to order

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

#### 2. Roll Call

Directors Kaiser, Spandrio, Brennan and Baggerly are present. Also present is GM Flood, AGM Dyer, EA Vieira, Engineering Manager Aranda and Counsel Mathews

## 3. Agenda Confirmation

No modifications

#### 4. Public Comments

Linda Lo-Hill Director of Las Virgenes Water District announced that she was sitting in on the meeting and that she would be visiting Lake Casitas this weekend.

## 5. Consent Agenda

- 5.a. Minutes of the July 8, 2020 Board Meeting.
- 5.b. Minutes of the July 10, 2020 Special Board Meeting.
- 5.c. Approval of Accounts Payable Report from 6/25/2020 to 7/8/2020.
- 5.d. Approval of the Reimbursement Disclosure Report for Fiscal Year 2019-2020.

Director Spandrio questioned voided checks on item 5 c with CFO Brown explaining that some checks are voided when it required multiple checks to be printed for one vendor payment that lists more items than will fit on one check. Director Spandrio added that he would like to discuss a voided check policy. He then pointed out a difference in the moving of funds from the general fund and those payments that were made. CFO Brown explained that there is a bit of

a buffer in the accounts payable account. Director Spandrio asked for beginning and ending balances and will have further discussion on this.

The consent agenda was offered by Director Brennan, seconded by Director Kaiser and adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Directors: Kaiser, Spandrio, Brennan, Baggerly

NOES: Directors: None ABSENT: Directors: None

#### 6. Action Items

6.a. Discussion and possible action on a November 2020 Casitas Water Security and Infrastructure Renewal Bond Measure.

A few weeks ago we had fm3 come in and give us the results of the survey. We digested it for a few weeks and are coming back to consider this. There were some questions that came up as part of the discussion for the pollster. Fionna Hutton is here to describe and a short presentation on questions asked and a summary for the public who may not have been in attendance.

Fionna Hutton presented some additional data regarding the survey that was conducted. The board discussed additional questions.

President Baggerly asked for public comment and there was none.

The Board discussed their concerns with the lack of supermajority support at this time and Director Kaiser moved for staff to come back with timeline and tasks in October so we can start looking at what are the issues to be entertained for a possible 2021 bond measure and suspend any further efforts toward 2020 election of this bond measure. This was seconded by Director Brennan and approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Directors: Kaiser, Spandrio, Brennan, Baggerly

NOES: Directors: None ABSENT: Directors: None

6.b. Recommend approval of the invoice from PRISM formerly CSAC Excess Insurance Authority in the amount of \$131,127.00 for Excess Workers' Compensation Coverage for the period of 7/1/2020 to 6/30/2020.

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

### 7. Information Items

- 7.a. Monthly Engineering Status Report for July 2020.
- 7.b. Hydrologic Status Report for June 2020.
- 7.c. Special Water Resources Committee Minutes.
- 7.d. Personnel Committee Minutes.
- 7.e. Letter from Congresswoman Julia Brownley regarding support for H.R. 7073.
- 7.f. Letter from Anthony Goff, General Manager of Calleguas MWD.

Director Spandrio provided comments on 7.a. and 7.f. On 7.a. Director Spandrio questioned the number of screen with EM Aranda explaining that we already had four we were prototyping. On 7.f. Director Spandrio offered encouragement that we do all we can to work with Calleguas and coordinate future long range planning. I personally believe our future for water security will lie with Calleguas. They sell 100,000 af per year with a fragile connection, they could use our lake to insure their future. We need to continue discussion and collaboration with Calleguas. Our future lies there.

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

AYES: Directors: Kaiser, Spandrio, Brennan, Baggerly

NOES: Directors: None ABSENT: Directors: None

## 8. General Manager Comments

GM Flood explained that some issues were found on the interconnection project report and a corrected report would be provided at the August 12<sup>th</sup> meeting.

The lake has is doing well. There will be a movie shown on Friday. Mr. Flood provided an update on actions taken regarding Covid-19.

## 9. Board of Director Reports on Meetings Attended

Director Kaiser reported on his attendance at the AWA Water Issues teleconference. Director Brennan and AGM Dyer were also in attendance. The AGM from Calleguas spoke about meeting future water needs.

Director Brennan reported he attended the same meeting.

Director Spandrio attended the Upper Ventura River Groundwater agency webinar. They are pursuing a possible grant from wildlife conservation board to

help with some of the date gaps and monitoring wells to assist with data gathering.

10. Board of Director Comments per Government Code Section 54954.2(a).

The board discussed receiving more information regarding the bacteria affecting the salmonid hatchery fish.

President Baggerly moved the meeting to closed session at 4:03 p.m. with Mr. Mathews reading the two closed session items.

## 11. Closed Session

- 11.a. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL EXISTING LITIGATION (Government Code Section 54956.9(a) Santa Barbara Channelkeeper v. State Water Resources Control Board, City of San Buenaventura, et al.; and City of San Buenaventura v Duncan Abbott, et al., Cross Complaint; Superior Court of the State of California, County of Los Angeles, Case No. 19STCP01176.
- 11.b. THREAT TO PUBLIC SERVICES OF FACILITIES (Government Code Section 54957 (a).)

Consultation with: Agency Counsel and Security Operations Manager.

President Baggerly returned from closed session at 5:48 p.m. announcing that the closed session was adjourned to Monday July 27, 2020 at noon.

Angelo Spandrio, Secretary