Minutes of the Casitas Municipal Water District Board Meeting Held March 9, 2022

A meeting of the Board of Directors was held March 9, 2022. The meeting was held via teleconference.

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Brennan called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Directors Bergen, Kaiser, Cole, Hajas and Brennan are present. Also present are GM Flood, AGM Dyer, EA Vieira, and Counsel Mathews.

3. AGENDA CONFIRMATION

As presented with no changes

4. <u>PUBLIC COMMENTS</u> - Presentation on District related items that are not on the agenda - three minute limit.

None

5. CONSENT AGENDA

- 5.a. Accounts Payable Report.pdf
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- 5.b. Minutes of the February 23, 2022 Board Meeting. 2 23 2022 Min.pdf

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

AYES:

Directors:

Bergen, Kaiser, Cole, Hajas, Brennan

NOES:

Directors:

None

ABSENT:

Directors:

None

6. ACTION ITEMS

6.a. <u>Award of the East and West Ojai Avenue Pipeline Replacement</u>
Project, Specification No. 19-411.

6.a.i. Reject the request for bid withdrawal from J. Vega Engineering, Inc. dated February 15, 2022; and

6.a.ii. <u>Determine the bid from J. Vega Engineering, Inc. is non-responsive for failing to list all subcontractors; and</u>

6.a.iii. Waive the minor irregularity in the bid from Burns Pacific Construction and award a contract to Burns Pacific Construction in the amount of

\$3,876,088.00 for West and East Ojai Avenue Pipeline Replacement,

Specification No. 19-411.

220309 Board Memo

Award.pdf Bid Withdrawal

Letter.pdf

Bid Protest - Tierra Contracting - Casitas Water - West and East Ojai Ave

Waterline Project.pdf

casitaswater.com Mail - Bid Protest - West and East Ojai Avenue Pipeline

Replacement, Spec No 19-411.pdf

Response to Bid protest on CMWD sPEC nO 19-411.pdf

19-004298 - WEST EAST OJAI AVE PIPELINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT -

CASITAS

MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT Hardy Harper.pdf

On the motion of Director Bergen, seconded by Director Cole, the three above recommendations were approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES:

Directors:

Bergen, Kaiser, Cole, Hajas, Brennan

NOES:

Directors:

None

ABSENT:

Directors:

None

6.b. Review of Casitas MWD State Water Project Table A Water Supply Calendar Year 2022 through 2027 Options.

Board Memo for Casitas MWD SWP Table A Review 030922.pdf

CCWA Letter Agreement 030922 ATT1.pdf

United WCD LOI 030922 ATT2.pdf

Options were discussed regarding State Water Project Table A Water Supply options with information provided from Central Coast Water Authority and United Water Conservation District.

Brian Collins, CFO of United Water provided public comment that United is prepared to move forward in a long term deal

Rh little water this first year – do as mike suggested 1 year central coast and look for a long term agreement with United.

On the motion of Director Cole, seconded by Director Hajas the board approved the recommendation by the following roll call vote:

AYES:

Directors:

Bergen, Kaiser, Cole, Hajas, Brennan

NOES:

Directors:

None

ABSENT:

Directors:

None

Setting a public hearing for review of the redistricting of Casitas MWD Division 6.c. maps for the Regular Board Meeting of March 23, 2022. Board Memo for Redistricting Hearing 030922.pdf

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

AYES:

Directors:

Bergen, Kaiser, Cole, Hajas, Brennan

NOES:

Directors:

None

ABSENT:

Directors:

None

6.d. Resolution proclaiming a local emergency persists, re-ratifying the proclamation of a State of Emergency by Executive Order, and re-authorizing remote teleconference meetings of the legislative bodies of Casitas Municipal Water District for the period March 9, 2022 to April 8, 2022 pursuant to Brown Act provisions.

Resolution Subsequent AB 361.pdf

The Board discussed issues surrounding being back in the board room, such as possible mask requirements, operating hybrid meetings and the need to continue to adopt this resolution to allow for the types of remote meetings that have been conducted over the last few years. The board is hopeful to get back to in person meetings in the board room towards the end of April with the desire to have the equipment in place to allow for streaming and use of Zoom.

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

AYES:

Directors:

Bergen, Kaiser, Cole, Hajas, Brennan

NOES:

Directors:

None

ABSENT:

Directors:

None

6.e. Resolution nominating Calleguas Municipal Water District Division 2 Director, Scott Quady to the California Insurance Fund Board (an Association of California Water Agencies Joint Powers Authority Captive Insurance Company).

Board Memo for Quady Nomination 030922.pdf

Reso Nomination of Scott Quady 030922

ATT1.pdf Caleguas MWD Scott Quady Bio

030922 ATT2.pdf

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

AYES:

Directors:

Bergen, Kaiser, Cole, Hajas, Brennan

NOES:

Directors:

None

ABSENT:

Directors:

None

7. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

- 7.a. State Water Project Intertie Project Report. SWP Intertie Project Cost 2-28-22.pdf
- 7.b. CFD 2013-01 Project Cost Report. CFD 2013-1 Project Cost 2-28-2022.pdf
- 7.c. Adjudication Charges Report.
 Adjudication Charges YTD 2.28.22.pdf
- 7.d. Investment Report.
 Investment Report 2.28.2022.pdf
- Draft 2021 Casitas MWD Supply and Demand Study.
 Casitas MWD Draft Supply and Demand Study 2021 030922.pdf

Director Hajas suggested the Water Supply and Demand Study be brought back to the Board for adoption.

8. GENERAL MANAGER COMMENTS

GM Flood reported that staff are working on the budget and a draft will be provided to the Finance committee in a few days. The committee will discuss it in April, review completed work in May and expect to hold a workshop at the beginning of June with Final approval at the end of June.

9. BOARD OF DIRECTOR REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED

President Brennan attended the AWA directors meeting and thanked Director Kaiser for his involvement with AWA. Director Kaiser added that he was also at attendance at the AWA meeting and he informed the board of an important meeting of UVRGA at 1:00 tomorrow. The Board then discussed quorum issues in attending or listening to a meeting via Zoom. Mr. Mathews stated this presents an interesting question.

10. BOARD OF DIRECTOR COMMENTS PER GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54954.2(a).

President Brennan stated we can look to schedule the Draft Supply and Demand Stuffy for approval.

President Brennan moved the meeting to closed session at 5:56 p.m.

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.

President Brennan moved the meeting back to open session at 6:35 p.m. with Mr. Mathews stating the board met in closed session with special and general counsel and received an update on the status of the case, discussed some strategy and no reportable action was taken.

12. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

President Brennan adjourned the meeting at 6:36 p.m.

Neil Cole, Secretar