

Minutes of the Casitas Municipal Water District
Board Meeting Held
April 27 2022

A meeting of the Board of Directors was held April 27, 2022. The meeting was held in person and 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. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Brennan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. AGENDA CONFIRMATION

The agenda was confirmed as presented.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS - Presentation on District related items that are not on the agenda - three minute limit.

None

6. CONSENT AGENDA

6.a. Accounts Payable Report.
Accounts Payable Report.pdf

6.b. Minutes of the April 13, 2022 Board Meeting.

6.c. Resolution requesting that the General District Election to be held on November 8, 2022, be consolidated with other elections called to be held on the same day and in the same territory.
Reso consolidation of election.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

7. DISCUSSION ITEMS/PRESENTATIONS

7.a. Matilija Dam Eco Restoration Project Update by Ventura County Staff.

A Matilija Dam Eco Restoration Project Update was provided by Ventura County Watershed Protection District including discussion of consultation selection and project funding. Mr. Jenkins with Surfrider and Matilija Coalition also spoke in favor of the project that has been worked on for over 25 years.

7.b. Presentation by the Ojai Fire Safe Council.

The Ojai Fire Safe Council provided a presentation on their grazing program and fire resiliency in the Ojai Valley. They offered a process of prescribed grazing on watershed lands to increase organic material and increase soil retention. They asked the board for a letter of support, not commitment for a grant for a whitepaper from the Coastal Conservancy, and having a dialog with management on a demonstration in the Teague Watershed.

Directors Brennan, Bergen and Cole were supportive of the eco system restoration and having a whitepaper. Director Hajas added that the Bureau may be an obstacle. Director Kaiser mentioned that the Teague watershed was to go back to its natural state.

8. ACTION ITEMS

8.a. Award a contract to MDJ Management for the Administration Building Rehabilitation (Specification No. 21-449), an unbudgeted item, in the amount of \$269,560.43 submitted through the Sourcewell eziQC process.

220427 Board Memo Award (2).pdf

Casitas WD - Admin Building Work Order Pacakage 4.18.22 (1).pdf

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

AYES: Directors: Bergen, Kaiser, Cole, Hajas, Brennan

NOES: Directors: None

ABSENT: Directors: None

8.b. Approve Amendment No. 2 for professional engineering services with Water Works Engineers, LLC, for the Ventura-Santa Barbara Counties Intertie for a fee increase not to exceed \$622,417 for a total fee of \$2,998,737.

Board Memo_20220427.pdf

CMWD_VTA-SB Intertie_Amend No. 2_Addtl Eng Srvs (20220422).pdf

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

AYES: Directors: Bergen, Kaiser, Cole, Hajas, Brennan

NOES: Directors: None
ABSENT: Directors: None

9. INFORMATION ITEMS

- 9.a. Finance Committee Minutes.
Finance Minutes 041522.pdf
- 9.b. Recreation Committee Minutes.
Rec Minutes 041222.pdf
- 9.c. Hydrology Report.
Hydrology Report.pdf

Information items were received.

10. GENERAL MANAGER COMMENTS

GM Flood reported that the water supply assessment would be on May 11th. This morning Met voted to limit member agencies to one water day per week. That has been tried here before but typically does not go well. Calleguas will be affected. Enforcement is tough. With the great job our customers have done it probably won't be necessary for us. Some organizations are asking for presentations in the second week of May. Drought has been a reality for us for a while and now we will be getting more attention.

The Cyber security entity of the Department of Homeland Security had some individuals out last week at no cost to the district conducted some testing. You may have seen an email phishing that was sent out. We performed well. We will be implementing a password rollover every 90 days.

11. BOARD OF DIRECTOR REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED

President Brennan attended the AWA Water Issues and Watewise meetings and the Ventura Water Commission.

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

Director Hajas commented that on presentations to our local groups we can show how more supply would help the situation. President Brennan added that if more funding is needed it will need to go to the public.

President Brennan moved the meeting to closed session at 6:35 p.m.

13. CLOSED SESSION

- 13.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

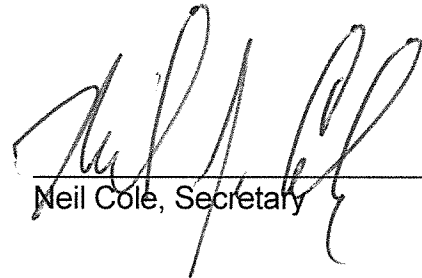
Duncan Abbott, et al., Cross Complaint; Superior Court of the State of California,
County of Los Angeles, Case No. 19STCP01176.

- 13.b. Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Government Code 54957) Title: General
Manager.

President Brennan moved the meeting back into open session at 7:25 p.m. and stated that
there was no action taken.

14. ADJOURNMENT

President Brennan adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m.



Neil Cole, Secretary