Minutes of the Casitas Municipal Water District Board Meeting Held June 8, 2022

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. ROLL CALL

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

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice President Hajas led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. AGENDA CONFIRMATION

There were no changes.

5. <u>PUBLIC COMMENTS</u> - 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 May 25, 2022 Board Meeting. 5 25 2022 Min.pdf
- 6.c. 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 of June 9, 2022 to July 9, 2022 pursuant to Brown Act provisions.

 Resolution Subsequent AB 361.pdf

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

AYES:

Directors:

Bergen, Kaiser, Cole, Hajas

NOES:

Directors:

None

ABSENT:

Directors:

Brennan

Resolution is numbered 2022-16

7. ACTION ITEMS

7.a. Review and possible action on the Letter of Intent from the United Water

Conservation District regarding a five-year transfer of Casitas MWD's State

Water Project Table A water supply.

Board Memo for United Letter of Intent 060822.pdf

UWCD LOI Casitas Table A 060822 ATT1.pdf

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

AYES:

Directors:

Bergen, Kaiser, Cole, Hajas

NOES:

Directors:

None

ABSENT:

Directors:

Brennan

7.b. Approve a cost-sharing agreement with the City of Ventura, City of Ojai, and the East Ojai Group (Musick, Peeler & Garnett; LLP) for mediation services related to the Santa Barbara Channelkeeper Groundwater Adjudication (California Superior Court Case# 19STCP01176).

Board Memo Mediation Service Letter Agreement 060822.pdf GW Adjudication Mediation Cost Sharing Agreement 060822.pdf

Exhibit 1 GW Adjudication mediation Cost Sharing Agreement 060822 ATT1.pdf Exhibit 2 GW Adjudication Mediation Cost Sharing Agreement 060822 ATT2.pdf

GM Flood explained that the attorney has requested that there be approval for the GM to make some minor revisions if necessary.

On the motion of Director Kaiser, seconded by Director Bergen the above recommendation and approval for minor revisions if necessary was approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES:

Directors:

Bergen, Kaiser, Cole, Hajas

NOES:

Directors:

None

ABSENT:

Directors:

Brennan

7.c. Review and possible action on the acquisition and financing of a replacement Aquatic Play Structure (APS) and Regenerative Filter System for the Casitas Water Adventure at the Lake Casitas Recreation Area.

Board Memo CWA APS 060822.pdf

Gm Flood provided a presentation and review on the proposed Aquatic Play Structure and possible financing options. The chosen recommendation is for the Splashtacular structure which is made from stainless steel and the regenerative filter system with a combination of funding in the amount of \$300,000 from Casitas and securing a loan in the amount of \$2.4 million dollars. Financing options were discussed as well as the schedule in order to have the new structure in

place for next year's season.

On the motion of Director Kaiser, seconded by Director Cole, the above recommendation was approved and staff was directed to bring financing documentation to the following board meeting. This was approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES:

Directors:

Bergen, Kaiser, Cole, Hajas

NOES:

Directors:

None

ABSENT:

Directors:

Brennan

7.d. Resolution adopting a Memorandum of Understanding between Casitas and Management employees for Fiscal Years 2022-2023 and 2023-2024.

Board Memo Mgmt Negotiations 20220608.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

NOES:

Directors:

None

ABSENT: Directors:

Brennan

Resolution is numbered 2022-17

8. DISCUSSION ITEMS/PRESENTATIONS

8.a. Presentation of the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Casitas MWD Budget.
Board Memo for the Draft FY 2023 Budget
060822.pdf Budget Document 060822 ATT1.pdf

GM Flood presented the draft Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget and answered questions from the board. The public hearing is scheduled for the June 22nd Board Meeting.

9. INFORMATION ITEMS

- 9.a. Recreation Committee Minutes. Rec Minutes 051022.pdf
- 9.b. Finance Committee Minutes. Finance Minutes 052022.pdf
- 9.c. SWP Intertie Report. SWP Intertie Project Cost 5-31-22.pdf
- 9.d. CFD 2013 Report. CFD 2013-1 Project Cost 5-31-2022.pdf

- 9.e. Adjudication Charges Report.
 Adjudication Charges YTD 5.31.22.pdf
- 9.f. March Financial Statements. Financial Statements 03-31-2022 Summary.pdf
- 9.g. Non Budgeted Items Log. Non-Budgeted Items Log.pdf
- 9.h. Investment Report.
 Investment Report 5.31.2022.pdf

The Information Items were received.

10. GENERAL MANAGER COMMENTS

GM Flood informed the board of the fall tours of facilities scheduled for Saturday October 29 and November 5th. We have about 30 spots for each tour so please let us know if you want us to reserve a spot for other elected officials and after that the spots are available on a first come, first serve basis.

Mr. Flood then informed the board that the State Water Resources Control Board contacted us about the intertie project and asked if we need more money and we said yes. We asked for 10% more. We did get a grant from the federal government for \$2 million dollars for that project. Staff has been discussing the project and we will try to break the project in smaller pieces and get some things moving quickly to get some of the pieces under construction.

In closing out the General Manager comments, Mr. Flood mentioned that he would be out on Monday.

11. BOARD OF DIRECTOR REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED

Director Bergen listened to the Ventura River Watershed meeting and Kelley did a great presentation. She told the story well and it was well received.

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

None

Vice President Hajas moved the meeting into closed session at 5:48 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.

Vice President Hajas moved the meeting back into open session at 6:13 p.m. with Mr. Mathews stating the board met with special counsel, there was general discussion and no action taken.

14. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Vice President Hajas adjourned the meeting at 6:14 p.m.

Neil Cole,/Secretary