Minutes of the Casitas Municipal Water District Board Meeting Held October 26, 2022

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

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

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Hajas led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. AGENDA CONFIRMATION

None

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 October 12, 2022 Board Meeting. 10 12 2022 Min.pdf

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

AYES:

Directors:

Bergen, Cole, Hajas, Brennan

NOES:

Directors:

None

ABSENT: [

Directors:

Kaiser

7. ACTION ITEMS

7.a. <u>Discussion and Possible Action on a Draft State Water Project Water Supply Exchange Agreement with the City of Ventura.</u>

Board Memo Exchange Water Supply Agreement 102622.pdf Casitas-Ventura Draft Agreement for Exchange Water Supply Deliveries 102622 ATT1.pdf

GM Flood provided a presentation on the project and the draft exchange agreement.

Some of the board expressed concerns regarding the agreement and felt there needed to be clarification. Additional discussion surrounded how it would be funded.

Letters from the public were received from Russ Baggerly, the Environmental Coalition and Roger Moore and were provided to the Board.

Burt Handy expressed that the agreement for the sale of extra water for the state water project should be included in the contract.

Sally Smith asked how to find additional information and was forwarded to the website's water security link and also she could contact the General Manager. Director Hajas asked if the Whitepaper was on the website and GM Flood responded that it is in draft format and could change but may also be able to be put on the website

Betsey Cooper explained that the City of Ventura is proceeding but would love you to be a partner in the future if some of those unknowns are known. We did not want to pressure you into this at this time and we are at a point right now that we do want to get some signed agreements so there are no surprises.

The draft agreement as presented was not approved. Direction was provided to staff.

7.b. Approval of a revised Casitas MWD Reserve Policy.
Board Memo for Reserve Policy Revision 102622.pdf
Reserve Policy Draft 102622 ATT1.pdf

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

AYES:

Directors:

Bergen, Cole, Hajas, Brennan

NOES:

Directors:

None

ABSENT: Directors:

Kaiser

7.c. Setting of Casitas MWD reserve account for Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

Board Memo for Setting of Reserves 102622.pdf

Reserves ending Balance FY22 102622

ATT1.pdf

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

AYES:

Directors:

Bergen, Cole, Hajas, Brennan

NOES:

Directors:

None

ABSENT:

Directors:

Kaiser

7.d. <u>Declaration of Surplus Casitas MWD Assets</u>.

Board Memo Surplus Items 102622.pdf

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

AYES:

Directors:

Bergen, Cole, Hajas, Brennan

NOES:

Directors:

None

ABSENT:

Directors:

Kaiser

7.e. Approval of an Unbudgeted Item in the amount of \$48,000 and Award a Contract to the Lowest Responsible Bidder, C&W Diving, in the Amount not-to-exceed \$34,000.92 to perform Casitas Dam Intake Structure anodes replacement.

Board Memo for Casitas Dam Intake Structure Anodes Replacement

102622.pdf Anode Cut Sheet ATT1.pdf

JFB Anode Proposal 102622 ATT2.pdf

C&W Anode Proposal 102622 ATT3.pdf

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

AYES:

Directors:

Bergen, Cole, Hajas, Brennan

NOES:

Directors:

None

ABSENT:

Directors:

Kaiser

7.f. Approve a budget of \$60,000 for the Camp Chaffee Pump Station and authorize the General Manager to issue a Task Order to Cannon Corporation for Camp Chaffee Pump Station design services in an amount not to exceed \$39,250.00.

Camp Chaffee PS Board Memo 10262022.pdf

Camp Chaffee Foster Park Proposal

10.13.22.pdf

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

AYES:

Directors:

Bergen, Cole, Hajas, Brennan

NOES:

Directors:

None

ABSENT:

Directors:

Kaiser

7.g. <u>Cancellation of the November 23, 2022 and December 28, 2022 Casitas MWD Board Meetings.</u>

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

AYES:

Directors:

Bergen, Cole, Hajas, Brennan

NOES:

Directors:

None

ABSENT:

Directors:

Kaiser

8. INFORMATION ITEMS

8.a. Hydrology Report.

Hydrology September 2022.pdf

8.b. Recreation Committee Minutes.

Rec Minutes 101122.pdf

8.c. Letter from Ventura River Water District regarding Casitas MWD's Stage 4

Implementation.

Letter from Ventura River Water District regarding Stage 4 102622.pdf

Information items were received.

9. GENERAL MANAGER COMMENTS

GM Flood reported on the Ag Town Hall meeting the previous week. Tours will be held this Saturday. November 17th is the AWA GM's meeting which will be held at United. Mr. Flood then informed the board he would be out on vacation the 31st, the week of Thanksgiving and the week in between Christmas and New Year's.

10. BOARD OF DIRECTOR REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED

Director Hajas attended the Ag workshop and felt it went well. He suggested that Casitas have a solid policy before we need it. Director Bergen also attended the meeting and reported that staff did an excellent job presenting the information and it was well received.

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

None

President Brennan moved the meeting to closed session at 5:51 p.m.

12. CLOSED SESSION

12.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 into open session at 6:07 p.m. with Mr. McNulty stating the board met in closed session and there was no reportable action taken.

13. ADJOURNMENT

President Brennan adjourned the meeting at 6:07 p.m.

Neil Cole, Secretary