



**RECORD OF THE MINUTES  
OF THE  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
560 Magnolia Avenue, Beaumont, CA 92223  
Wednesday, August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2012**

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**Call to Order, President Ball**

Vice President Halliwill called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance, Director Ross**

Director Ross led the pledge.

**Invocation, Director Guldseth**

Director Guldseth led the invocation.

**Roll Call**

Present at this meeting were Directors Guldseth, Halliwill, Woll and Ross, Legal Counsel James Markman, General Manager Eric Fraser, Assistant General Manager Tony Lara, Director of Engineering, Dan Jaggars and Director of Finance & Administrative Services Melissa Bender. President Ball was absent from the meeting.

Public that registered their attendance were: John Jeter, Pamela Garcia, Fran Flanders, Minnie Birchard, Barbara Brown, and Patsy Reeley.

**Public Input**

Director Ross invited one member, Pamela Garcia, of the public to address the Board regarding an item not on the agenda. Ms. Garcia made several comments regarding General Manager Fraser and the recent letter to the editor comments in the Record Gazette. Ms. Garcia left a copy of her comments for the record. Director Ross invited her to stay for the entire meeting as the Board was to address her comments as well as the recent letter to the editor comments in the Record Gazette during item 5. Director Ross noted for the record that Ms. Garcia left prior to the item being discussed.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**1. Adoption of the Agenda**

Motion by Director Guldseth to approve the agenda, seconded by Director Woll, approved 4-0.

**2. Consent Calendar:** All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered by the Board of Directors to be routine and will be enacted in one motion. There will be no discussion of these items prior to the time the Board considers the motion unless members of the Board, the administrative staff, or the public request specific items to be discussed and/or removed from the Consent Calendar.

- a. June 2012 Budget Variance Report Review\*\* (pages 3-8)

- b. June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2012 Cash/Investment Balance Report\*\* (pages 9-10)
- c. July 2012 Cheque Register Review\*\* (pages 11-31)
- d. July 2012 Invoices Pending Approval\*\* (pages 32-42)
- e. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2012\*\* (pages 43-46)

Motion to approve 2a-e by Director Ross, seconded by Director Guldseth, approved 4-0.

**3. Consideration of Resolution 2012-07 Schedule of Administrative Cost Recoveries\*\* (pages 47-50)**

General Manager Fraser gave a brief overview of the revisions to the schedule with additional comments made by Director of Finance & Administrative Services, Melissa Bender. After discussion, motion by Director Woll to approve, seconded by Director Ross, approved 4-0.

**4. Consideration of the continued compliance with recently suspended provisions of the Brown Act\*\* (pages 51-52)**

Member of the public Ms. Reeley addressed the Board regarding item 4 stating she hopes the Board continues to comply with the Brown Act. Legal Counsel Markman gave an overview of the Brown Act, the suspended provisions and unfunded mandates in regards to the State's budget. After discussion, motion by Director Woll, seconded by Director Guldseth, approved 4-0.

**5. Reports For Discussion**

a. Ad Hoc Committees

No reports were presented by the Committees.

b. General Manager

General Manager Fraser commented on the issues noted in the recent letters to the editor. First, late fees are now handled and applied consistently with Board policy and in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. Further information and statistics regarding late fees will be provided at the upcoming budget workshop. Secondly, General Manager Fraser commented on other allegations noting that District staff members are complying with vacation terms outlined in their contracts, dedicated staff members are bringing home extra work in addition to work performed during regular business hours and Board members have no access to computers, software and buildings. All Board members responded to the comments made during public comment as well as concerns noted in recent editions of the Record Gazette. General Manager Fraser also commented on the Brookside Bridge noting the progress and recent meetings with the City of Beaumont. The City has agreed to pay for the temporary piping and District staff installed temporary by-pass connection piping just this week and hope to put the pipe into service this Friday. We are still waiting on design and encroachment permit information from the City of Beaumont to facilitate a permanent design solution to restore the pipelines removed by the City during the construction of the Brookside Bridge.

c. Directors Reports

Director Guldseth stated he attended the July Riverside County Economic Development Agency Symposium with Director Ross. Both commented the symposium was very interesting with 1/3 of the symposium directed

at water. Director Ross also noted he attended the Watermaster meeting and is very pleased with the Watermaster's Direction.

d. Legal Counsel Report

No reports were presented by Legal Counsel.

**6. Announcements**

- Special Board Meeting-Budget Workshop, August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.
- District offices will be closed Monday September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2012 in observation of Labor Day
- Finance & Audit Committee meeting, September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 3:00 p.m.
- Regular Board meeting, September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

Vice President Halliwill made the announcements above as well as announced the upcoming Regional Water Board meeting currently scheduled for September 27<sup>th</sup>.

**7. Action List for Future Meetings**

- a. Response to recent media comments.

**8. Closed Session**

- a. Conference with legal counsel regarding potential litigation pursuant to Government Code 54956.9(c).

The Board adjourned to closed session at 8:00 p.m. Vice President Halliwill reconvened the meeting at 8:35 p.m. District Legal Counsel Markman advised that there was no reportable action for the closed session item.

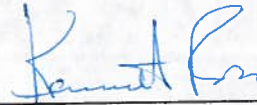
**9. Adjournment**

Vice President Halliwill adjourned the meeting at 8:36 p.m.

Attest:



Dr. Blair Ball, President of the  
Board of Directors of the  
Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District



Kenneth Ross, Secretary to the  
Board of Directors of the  
Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District

\*\* Information included in the agenda packet