



**BEAUMONT-CHERRY VALLEY WATER DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
560 Magnolia Avenue, Beaumont, CA 92223  
Wednesday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015  
Regular Session 7:00 p.m.**

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**Call to Order, President Ross**

*President Ross began the meeting at 7:16 p.m.*

**Pledge of Allegiance, Director Covington**

*Director Ross led the pledge as Director Covington was absent.*

**Invocation, Director Slawson**

*Director Slawson led the invocation*

**Roll Call**

*Present at the meeting were President Ross, Directors Cottrell, Slawson and Hoffman. Director Covington was absent. Legal Counsel: James Markman. District Staff: General Manager: Eric Fraser, Director of Operations: Anthony Lara, Director of Engineering: Dan Jagers and Director of Finance and Administrative Services: Yolanda Rodriguez.*

*Public that registered their attendance were Fran Flanders, Minnie Birchard, Lee Birchard and Lloyd White.*

**Public Comment**

*No public comment was received at this time.*

**ACTION ITEMS**

**1. Adjustments to the Agenda**

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*General Manager Fraser advised the Board that there were no changes to the Agenda.*

**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. December 2014 Budget Variance Report Review\*\* (pages 3-7)
- b. December 31st, 2014 Cash/Investment Balance Report\*\* (page8)
- c. January 2015 Check Register Review\*\* (pages 9-25)
- d. January 2015 Invoices Pending Approval\*\* (pages 26-29)
- e. Minutes of the Special Meeting January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015\*\* (page 30)

- f. Minutes of the Regular Meeting January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015\*\* (pages 31-34)
- g. Minutes of the Special Meeting January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015\*\* (page 35)
- h. Consideration of Resolution 2015-01: A Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District establishing the District's Investment Policy\*\* (pages 36-44)

*President Ross requested item 2h be pulled for discussion.*

*President Ross motioned to approve items 2a through 2g of the consent calendar. The motion was seconded by Director Slawson and passed 4-0 with Director Covington absent.*

*President Ross requested item 2h be pulled to verify that there were no changes from the previous year and to notify the Director of Finance of a few spelling corrections to be made. After a brief discussion, Director Cottrell motioned to approve item 2h. The motion was seconded by Director Slawson and passed 4-0 with Director Covington absent.*

**3. Request for Approval of the Information Technology Department's Equipment/Software Upgrade Proposal for 2015-2016\*\* (pages 45-48)**

*General Manager Fraser explained the need to replace the outdated components of the existing infrastructure to encourage system reliability. As the district has invested in a robust software package, reliability and security are of top priority. To meet the needs of current and future projects, the infrastructure needs to be updated for expandability, reliability, and security.*

*Questions from the Board included a comparison of previous annual fees, hardware disposal as income and if the old software will continue to be available. IT Manager Robert Rasha explained that most of the current hardware does not have annual fees because they are either no longer supported or have exceeded their warranties, with the cost of expansion ineffective in comparison to replacement costs. General Manager Fraser discussed the normal surplus channels to recover on the initial investment on the current technologies, but advised the board that the issue of vulnerability with reuse will be taken into account and that the outdated equipment may not generate proceeds. IT Manager Rasha explained how the existing software will be migrated but will be kept online while the updated software is tested. General Manager Fraser explained the effect on disaster recovery with redundant backup on and off site.*

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*Director Cottrell motioned to approve the request for the equipment/software upgrade. The motion was seconded by Director Slawson and passed 4-0 with Director Covington absent.*

**4. Reports For Discussion**

- a. Ad Hoc Committees

*No reports were made.*

- b. General Manager

*General Manager Fraser expressed his appreciation to the Board for their participation on the facilities tour the prior month and thanked Director of Engineering Jagers for his preparation of the handouts*

*and Director of Operations Lara for providing transportation and his input.*

*General Manager Fraser also discussed the potential adoption of a new safe yield by the Watermaster Committee with the component of recognizing the return flow to the basin. If adopted, it would acknowledge customers of the District as contributors to the water returning to the basin and recognize the resulting credits to the District's storage account.*

**c. Directors Reports**

*Director Slawson expressed that he enjoyed the District tour and was impressed by the conscious effort to incorporate the wells with the surrounding areas. President Ross also commented on the tour and how he was impressed with the system that is being maintained.*

**d. Legal Counsel Report**

*No reports were made.*

**5. Announcements**

- District Offices will be closed February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015 in observance of Presidents' Day
- Finance & Audit Committee meeting, March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 3:00 p.m.
- Regular Board meeting, March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

*President Ross made the announcements above.*

**6. Action List for Future Meetings**

- Schedule a workshop to discuss the landscape for the Noble Creek Recharge Phase II Project with the public
- Update the Board on Infosend after one year
- Solar System Update
- Grand Avenue Storm Water Capture Project

*President Ross made the announcements above. Director Cottrell asked for affirmative dates on the action items.*

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*General Manager Fraser explained that the action items will be presented to the Board once staff has the information available to compile. The information for each action item (in order) includes:*

- *Pending installation on the conduits as well as gravel on the roadway in order to have a presentable example before additional landscape is considered*
- *Waiting for the one year benchmark to expire in April*
- *Director of Engineering Jagers has been researching opportunities, but the process has been slowed by the higher priority Master Plan and revised Facility Fees study*
- *An ongoing project with Riverside County Flood Control*

**7. Recess to Closed Session**

- a. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code 54956.9 (d) (2) Number of Cases: Unknown.

*Item 7 was pulled as the matter was discussed as part of the closed session.*

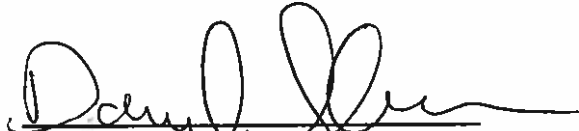
**8. Adjournment**

*President Ross adjourned the meeting at 7:41 p.m.*

Attest:



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Director Ken Ross, President  
of the Board of Directors of the  
Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District



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Director Daniel Lawson, Secretary to  
the Board of Directors of the  
Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District

\*\* Information included in the agenda packet

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