



**BEAUMONT-CHERRY VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
AGENDA
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING IN LIEU OF
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
560 Magnolia Avenue, Beaumont, CA 92223
Tuesday, November 10th, 2015
Regular Session 7:00 p.m.**

Call to Order, Vice President Cottrell

Vice President Cottrell began the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance, Director Covington

Director Covington led the pledge.

Invocation, Director Slawson

Director Slawson led the invocation.

Roll Call

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

Public who registered their attendance were Fran Flanders, Bill Dickson, Barbara W. Brown, Patsy Reeley, Gloria O'Hara, Sheila Jones and B. Voigt.

Public Comment

Ms. Voigt had questions regarding the water importation charges collected by BCVWD vs. SGPWA expenditures in the past fiscal year.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Adjustments to the Agenda

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. September 2015 Budget Variance Report Review** (pages 3-7)
- b. September 30th, 2015 Cash/Investment Balance Report** (page 8)
- c. October 2015 Check Register Review** (pages 9-29)

- d. October 2015 Invoices Pending Approval** (pages 30-32)
- e. Minutes of the Regular Meeting October 14th, 2015** (pages 33-37)

Director Slawson motioned to approve all items on the Consent Calendar. The motion was seconded by Director Hoffman and passed 5-0.

3. Consideration of Request for Water Service for Riverside County Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 415-122-017 (pages 38-42)**

General Manager Fraser recommended approval of the water request application for Riverside County APN 415-122-017. Director Covington motioned to approve the request for water service. The motion was seconded by Director Slawson and passed 5-0.

4. Update on State Mandated Water Conservation Efforts: Oral Report

Director of Operations Lara shared the District's continued efforts on water conservation. He shared that in September the District was at 31% reduction and October was at 25% reduction. Additionally, he shared that the District receives an average of 30 – 50 water waste complaints a month. He shared that he continues to work with the public to enforce compliance as well as public education on water conservation. He also stated that he has not heard back from the State Water Board regarding the District's response to the Information Order from the State Water Board. Director of Operations Lara reminded the Board that there will be a public workshop in Southern California in December in which the State will discuss the extension or modification of the water conservation regulations which expires in February 2016.

5. Reports For Discussion

a. Ad Hoc Committees

No reports were made.

b. General Manager

General Manager Fraser gave an update on the use of Well #26, which does not meet the drinking water standard for Chromium 6, but is being used in the non-potable water system. He stated this is beneficial in that by continuing to pump water from Well #26 and using it for non-potable purposes, it's extracting the Chromium 6 which helps it from migrating to the other wells and aids in diminishing the Chromium 6 levels as water from the District's recharge operation migrates to the zone.

General Manager Fraser informed the Board that the San Geronio Pass Water Agency (SGPWA) changed its decision to provide BCVWD with direct water deliveries, which is contrary to their policy. He also shared that the District did receive the response from SGPWA regarding the overcharge issue, but no back-up was included as to how the numbers were derived.

General Manager Fraser stated he continues to work with Yucaipa Valley Water District and the City of Beaumont on a Regional waste water solution and how to best serve the community, for which a workshop will take place on November 30, 2015 at BCVWD.

General Manager Fraser stated that the District received a confirmation from Riverside County Flood Control Water Conservation District, regarding the Prop 84 joint grant application to the Department of Water Resources for the Grand Avenue Storm Water Capture project. He stated the cost will be shared with the grant from DWR covering 1/3 of the cost, Flood Control covering 1/3 and BCVWD covering 1/3 of the cost.

General Manager Fraser, addressed the concerns and questions Ms. Voigt had in regards to the importation charge on her water bill and the difference between what the District charges and pays the SGPWA. He explained that the BCVWD collects a commodity charge in accordance with the rate study adopted and approved by the Board, which includes a pass through energy cost and the San Geronio Pass Water Agency water importation cost. He explained that we collect a portion of the cost to purchase the water which we have already extracted from the Beaumont Water Basin to supply to our customers. The SGPWA hasn't been able to supply us with all the water that we use and need, but we still need to collect the monies to replenish the Basin once the water becomes available for purchase. Currently we are running on a deficit since we extract about 8,000 acre feet of water per year, but the SGPWA only provided us with about 4,000 acre feet of water, therefore we still need to purchase the other 4,000 acre feet when the water becomes available. He explained we still have a responsibility to replenish the Beaumont Water Basin, therefore the monies collected via the customer's water bill are set aside for the purpose of buying the water when the water becomes available and to cover the energy cost involved in pumping the water.

General Manager Fraser gave an update on Well #3 & Well #25 and the work done in conjunction with the City of Banning. General Manager Fraser stated that at this point it's not economical to make any physical changes to the wells, but instead the District is considering treatment options.

General Manager Fraser shared with the Board that District staff is participating in a holiday food and toy drive donations for Carol's Kitchen.

c. Directors Reports

Director Cottrell recommended General Manager Fraser move forward in requesting additional back-up for the reports provided by the SGPWA.

Director Covington and Director Cottrell encouraged more dialogue between BCVWD and the SGPWA board members. Vice President, Bill Dickson, of the SGPWA also encouraged more dialogue between both agency's board members.

Director Covington shared that he received an email from Riverside County and from Beaumont-Cherry Valley Recreation and Parks District stating the Bogart Park item is resurfacing. He expressed he would like to have a representative from BCVWD to meet with the public agencies involved and requested be included as an action item on December's Board Meeting.

Director Slawson stated he attended the San Geronio Pass Regional Water Alliance meeting. He stated that the City of Beaumont Councilman White shared that the City is moving from involvement in the Water Alliance and stated Director Slawson and BCVWD would do a good enough job of representing the community of Beaumont. Director Slawson also shared that Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District had a nice presentation on capturing storm water flow and putting it in recharge facilities, they talked about the joint project with BCVWD on Grand Ave.

d. Legal Counsel Report

Absent.

6. Announcements

- District Offices will be closed on November 11th, 2015 in observance of Veteran's Day.
- District Offices will be closed on November 26th, 2015 in observance of Thanksgiving Day.
- Joint Meeting with the City of Beaumont at BCVWD Board Room, November 30th, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.
- Beaumont Basin Watermaster meeting, December 2nd, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.
- Finance & Audit Committee meeting, December 3rd, 2015 at 3:00 p.m.
- Regular Board meeting, December 9th, 2015

Director Cottrell made the announcements above.

7. Action List for Future Meetings

- Solar System Update
- Grand Avenue Storm Water Capture Project
- Proposition 1 Bond Opportunities
- Sustainable Groundwater Management Act: BCVWD impact

Director Cottrell made the announcements above.

8. Adjournment

Director Cottrell adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

Attest:



Director Jeffrey Cottrell, Vice President
to the Board of Directors of the
Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District



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

** Information included in the agenda packet