



**BEAUMONT-CHERRY VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
560 Magnolia Avenue, Beaumont, CA 92223
Board Member Jeffrey Cottrell will participate telephonically
From the Law Offices of Jeffrey Cottrell
3420 Coach Lane #9, Cameron Park, CA 95682
Wednesday, May 11th, 2016
Regular Session 7:00 p.m.**

Call to Order, Vice President Hoffman

Vice President Hoffman began the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance, Director Covington

Director Covington led the pledge.

Invocation, Director Douglass

Director Douglass led the invocation.

Roll Call

Present at the meeting were Vice President Hoffman, Directors Covington, Slawson, Douglass, and President Cottrell via telephonically. Legal Counsel: James Markman. District Staff: General Manager: Eric Fraser, Director of Engineering: Dan Jagers, Director of Operations: Anthony Lara, Director of Finance and Administrative Services: Yolanda Rodriguez, and Sr. Finance and Administrative Analyst: William Clayton.

Public who registered their attendance were Fran Flanders, Bill Dickson, John Jeter, and David Fenn.

Public Comment

There was no public comment

ACTION ITEMS

1. Adjustments to the Agenda

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. March 2016 Budget Variance Report Review** (pages 4-8)
- b. March 31st, 2016 Cash/Investment Balance Report** (page 9)

- c. April 2016 Check Register Review** (pages 10-22)
- d. April 2016 Invoices Pending Approval** (pages 23-25)
- e. Minutes of the Special Meeting March 9th, 2016** (pages 26-27)
- f. Minutes of the Regular Meeting April 13th, 2016** (pages 28-31)

President Cottrell requested item 2f be pulled for correction since he did not attend that meeting. President Cottrell motioned to approve items 2a through 2e of the Consent Calendar. The motion was seconded by Director Slawson and passed 5-0 by roll call: Director Covington - Aye; Director Hoffman - Aye; Director Slawson – Aye; Director Douglass – Aye; President Cottrell – Aye.

- 3. Consideration of Support for SB1378 (Morrell) reducing the number of the Board of Directors of the San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency from seven to five to Improve the Efficiency and Effectiveness of the Organization.** (pages 32-34)**

Public comment on Item:

Dr. Blair Ball, Director of the San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency (SGPWA), expressed his support of reducing the number of board members from seven to five directors. He stated every citizen will still be represented. He stated having five members versus the seven board members will create an annual savings of \$50,000. SGPWA will also have a reduction in election cost.

After discussion, Director Hoffman motioned to approve support for the SB1378 (Morrell) and send a letter of support to Senator Morrell's office and a copy of the letter to the SGPWA. The motion was seconded by Director Douglass and passed 4-1 by roll call: Director Covington – Nay; Director Hoffman – Aye; Director Slawson – Aye; Director Douglass – Aye; President Cottrell – Aye.

- 4. Consideration of Authorizing the General Manager to Provide a Deposit of \$25,000 to the San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency (SGPWA) for expenses incurred by the SGPWA Increasing the Capacity of the District's Existing East Branch Extension Turnout.** (pages 35-41)**

General Manager Fraser explained he would like to utilize the District's raw water pipeline maximum capacity by removing the bottleneck which currently exists in the connection of the SGPWA East Branch Extension turnout to the District's Noble Creek Recharge Facilities. He explained the \$25,000 deposit and application are SGPWA requirements. He also stated he was not sure why SGPWA was requiring an application for new water services since this is a modification to an existing water line connection.

Public comment on Item:

Mr. Jeff Davis, General Manager of the SGPWA, explained that any time a new connection, modification, or changes made to the State Water Project connections, engineering studies have to be done to determine feasibility for the size of the connection, such as any environmental impact issues. He explained the actual cost of the work by consultants will be more and the \$25,000 deposit is basically a down payment.

After discussion, Director Covington motioned to approve the deposit payment to the SGPWA. The motion was seconded by President Cottrell and pass 5-0

by roll call: Director Covington – Aye; Director Hoffman – Aye; Director Slawson – Aye, Director Douglass – Aye; President Cottrell – Aye.

5. Rehabilitation and Repair of District Well No's 5, 13, 18 and RR1.(pages 42-43)**

General Manager Fraser gave an overview of the need to repair the wells.

Director of Operations, Tony Lara explained the current production level and stated the repairs are necessary to maintain maximum production capacity and efficiency in Edgar Canyon.

After discussion, President Cottrell motioned to approve the contract for the well rehabilitation project to Tri-County Pump Company in the amount of \$134,401.00 with an increase contingency of 10%, versus the \$11,250. The motion was seconded by Director Slawson and passed 5-0 by roll call: Director Covington – Aye; Director Hoffman – Aye; Director Slawson – Aye; Director Douglass – Aye; President Cottrell – Aye. Director Hoffman asked for updates via the General Manager Reports for Discussion.

6. Consideration of Participation in a Facilitated Process for Resolution of Regional Water Issues with San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District. (pages 44-46)**

After discussion, Director Covington motioned to table item #6 for a future meeting and authorize General Manager Fraser to respond based on the letters received by President Cottrell. The motion was seconded by Director Douglass and pass 5-0 by roll call: Director Covington – Aye; Director Hoffman – Aye; Director Slawson – Aye; Director Douglass – Aye; President Cottrell – Aye.

7. Reports For Discussion

a. Ad Hoc Committees

No report were made.

b. General Manager

General Manager Fraser gave an update that BCVWD continues to receive water from the SGPWA (Pass Agency), The Pass Agency increased the flow rate from 18 cubic feet per second (cfs) to 20 cfs. He stated that Mr. Davis from the Pass assured him he is working towards increasing the flow to meet BCVWD's goal of 24 cfs, as they work through some physical control valve issues.

He stated that the Fishing Derby last month was a great success. Ponds are working fantastic, the District is able to rotate and maximize the amount of recharge water. He stated this is one of the reasons why he tries to bring as much water as possible before the summer months kick in as it allows us to minimize the amount of algae in the ponds which reduces the capacity of the ponds.

General Manager Fraser gave an update on the meetings with the Alliance and one of the issues moving forward was the concept of an integrated regional plan. A potential problem with participating with the plan is that those plans are usually identified by watershed. He stated that the District's boundary stops at Highland Springs Avenue which

coincides with the Watershed boundary. The District is already in the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority's (SAWPA) region as defined by DWR. He stated there is an area between Highland Springs and Cabazon on the east, which can potentially develop an integrated region plan and have the opportunities to get funding through Prop 1. He stated we might have a conflict since our District is already in the SAWPA region, but if we can break away from SAWPA, it can give the District funding opportunities.

c. Directors Reports

Director Slawson gave an update on his attendance at the San Gorgonio Pass Regional Water Alliance on April 27th and May 4th, 2016. He also asked for feedback regarding him continuing to participate with the Alliance, which was created to work together as neighboring agencies.

After Board discussion, it was a consensus that Director Slawson continue to participate in the San Gorgonio Pass Regional Water Alliance and report back updates.

d. Legal Counsel Report

No report was made.

8. Announcements

- District Offices will be closed on May 30th, 2016 in observance of Memorial Day.
- Beaumont Basin Watermaster meeting, June 1st, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.
- Finance and Audit Committee meeting, June 2nd, 2016 at 3:00 p.m.
- Regular Board meeting, June 8th, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Vice President Hoffman made the announcements above.

9. Action List for Future Meetings


- Solar System Update
- Proposition 1 Bond Opportunities

Vice President Hoffman made the announcements above.


10. Adjournment

Vice President Hoffman adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Attest:



Director David Hoffman, 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**