



BEAUMONT-CHERRY VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
560 Magnolia Avenue, Beaumont, CA 92223

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Wednesday, June 8, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.**

Meeting held in person and via teleconference pursuant to California Government Code Section 54950 et. seq. and under the provisions of Assembly Bill 361 and BCVWD Resolution 2022-13 and in person at 560 Magnolia Ave., Beaumont, CA

Call to Order: *President Williams opened the meeting at 6:04 p.m.*

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Director Slawson.

Invocation was given by Director Hoffman.

Announcement of Teleconference Participation

Dr. Kirene Manini, Director of Finance and Administration, clarified that this meeting is conducted pursuant to California Government Code Section 54953 and AB 361.

The teleconference capabilities of this meeting have been identified in the Notice and Agenda. Due to the danger of COVID-19, the teleconference locations are not publicly accessible.

Dr. Manini verified that Director Ramirez was able to hear the other directors clearly. No directors expressed any reason to believe, based on voice recognition or otherwise, that those persons representing themselves to be directors are not truly so.

Roll Call:

Directors present:	Hoffman, Ramirez, Slawson, Williams
Directors absent:	Covington
Staff present:	General Manager Dan Jagers Director of Engineering Mark Swanson Director of Finance and Administration Kirene Manini, PhD Director of Operations James Bean Human Resources Administrator Sabrina Foley Director of Information Technology Robert Rasha Finance Manager William Clayton Senior Management Analyst Sylvia Molina Management Analyst I Erica Gonzales Civil Engineering Assistant Evan Ward Administrative Assistant Cenica Smith
Legal Counsel	James Markman

Members of the public who registered attendance: Mickey Valdivia, Lance Eckhart, Dr. Blair Ball and Larry Smith of the San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency; Hamid Roknian; Robert Ybarra; Cori Takkinen, Townsend Associates; John Thornton; Spencer Anderson and Jeff Hart, City of Beaumont, City of Beaumont Interim City Manager Elizabeth Gibbs, Councilmember Mike Lara; and Evelyn Morentin Barceno of Rogers, Anderson, Malody and Scott.

Public Comment:

Mr. Merle Chapman asked why BCVWD did not have a turf removal rebate program.

1. Adjustments to the Agenda: None.

2. Consent Calendar:

The following Consent Calendar items were approved with one motion:

- a. Review of the April 2022 Budget Variance Reports
- b. Review of the April 30, 2022 Cash/Investment Balance Report
- c. Review of Check Register for the Month of May 2022
- d. Review of May 2022 Invoices Pending Approval
- e. Minutes of the Special Meeting of April 21, 2022
- f. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 28, 2022
- g. Minutes of the Special Meeting of May 5, 2022
- h. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 11, 2022
- i. Resolution 2022-17 Authorizing Public Meetings to be Held via Teleconferencing Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e) and Making Findings and Determinations Regarding the Same
- j. Monthly Update from Townsend and Associates (grant writing)
- k. Director Expense Reimbursement Request

MOVED: Slawson	SECONDED: Hoffman	APPROVED 4-0
AYES:	Hoffman, Ramirez, Slawson, Williams	
NOES:	None	
ABSTAIN:	None	
ABSENT:	Covington	

3. Review and Discussion of the DRAFT Non-Potable Master Plan

City of Beaumont Interim City Manager Elizabeth Gibbs introduced herself and Councilmember Mike Lara and thanked General Manager Dan Jagers for this item on the agenda and for bringing her up to speed on the plan. She also reassured the Board and the community that the City of Beaumont will be producing recycled water by the end of the calendar year. The Non-Potable Master Plan is important in that endeavor, she added.

Director of Engineering Mark Swanson advised of the location of documents on the District's website. He emphasized that this is a *Draft* Non-Potable Master Plan (NPMP), and it has been awaiting understanding on what the City of Beaumont

will be producing, and things have now become more tangible. There are still a few uncertainties, he cautioned, but those can be addressed for final adoption.

Data on the non-potable system is used in development of the Urban Water Master Plan along with rate and fees studies, and capital facilities program, Swanson explained. He reviewed the content of the NPMP provided highlights.

Swanson provided some history of the project preparation and said it is now close to fruition. He outlined locations of facilities, regulation, and regulatory agencies, and discussed non-potable uses, forecasts, and sources of supply. He pointed out that trends are following the outline presented in white papers previously produced by General Manager Jagers. The NPMP also considers the City's updated General Plan.

Mr. Swanson noted that the non-potable system currently comprises about 50 miles of purple pipe and continues to grow. Meter readings allow understanding of current consumption. He detailed recycled water demands and noted that long-term goals include conversion of golf courses. He noted that there will be excess water most months, but supplemental sources will be needed in summer, as the wastewater treatment plant would not produce enough to meet demand. Wastewater of 1.2 million gallons per day will yield about 3.7 acre-feet (af), he noted.

Among details remaining to be worked out is that from a long-term perspective, currently there is no place to store the excess water produced, Swanson continued.

Mr. Jagers pointed out that over the last 20 years, the development community, the District, and the City have planned for the use on non-potable water via ordinance and installation of facilities. The system is in service, has meters, and has actual demands on it. Summertime demands are higher than the available water, and the wintertime unused supply equates to a loss potential of 238 af per year. It is possible to find users for that water and the plan identifies some of them, Jagers noted.

Mr. Swanson shared a system map and pointed to the existing 2-million gallon tanks and planned tanks, proposed booster plant, and pressure regulators and explained the system.

All prior identified costs have been adjusted to 2021 prices, Swanson noted. He acknowledged the unanticipated rate of inflation. Engineering work and soft costs total about 25 percent including permitting. Much of the work so far has been done in-house, he noted. Effectively \$57 million in improvements are needed to complete the system. The work will be done over time, he said. The booster station and regulators are needed, and at some point, the new tank, he said.

Immediate actions needed are:

- Execute the agreement with the City of Beaumont for the distribution of the recycled water
- Complete the design and construct the booster pump station at or near the City's wastewater treatment plant
- Design and construct the pressure regulating stations
- Build a few other key elements

- Complete and obtain approval of a Title 22 engineering report from the Division of Drinking Water and the Regional Water Quality Control Board
- Obtain a permit for distribution
- Identify site managers for the re-use sites and assure they are properly trained
- Isolate the non-potable from the potable water system
- Develop a rate structure for non-potable water

Swanson advised that near-term priorities include installation of the fine screening facility on the imported State Water Project pipeline near the non-potable tank. Longer term priorities are continued expansion of the master planned facilities as development continues, and conversion of sites to non-potable use. There are several sources of funding, but it is a matter of being shovel-ready, Swanson continued.

Swanson suggested finalizing the agreement, performing site validation tasks, and furthering coordination with City staff to understand chemistry, and final treatment option. Next, complete and adopt the NPMP, he said.

Director Ramirez thanked the City representatives for attending and said he appreciated the collaboration. Ramirez asked about use of recycled water for direct potable or recharge. Swanson indicated that Title 22 compliant water would go into the non-potable tank and be used for the non-potable system, not directly or indirectly reused. To date, the NPMP does not fully address advanced treatment, he added. Ramirez advocated for the Plan as it stands currently.

Director Slawson asked about a lone pipe segment and commented on the booster system. Swanson noted that segment is a SWP line.

Director Hoffman reminded that there has been an Ad Hoc Recycled Water Committee with the City of Beaumont to make progress, and he suggested reimplementing it. He said he had served on the committee and is anxious to see when there is opportunity to move forward.

Hoffman voiced concern about the escalating cost of materials and indicated the budget projection may or may not be realistic. He suggested future discussion on funds available in reserve to participate and for what grant funds the project might qualify, and consideration of the pre-purchase of materials to cut costs and coordinate availability. He also acknowledged variables related to sources of supply and best utilization of water available to cut costs and pass along savings. Mr. Swanson noted that the majority of the pipelines are developer driven and staff has identified costs but did not label them as District-funded, or developer-funded.

The largest expenses up front will be conversion of the sites and building the booster station and pressure regulating stations, which are a capacity charges (facilities fees) item, Swanson continued.

Director Hoffman pointed out the use of gravity flow to alleviate the need for pumping.

General Manager Jagers summarized the project moving forward in conjunction with the City's wastewater treatment plant upgrades. Although the project lost momentum, the City has been working on their Wastewater Master Plan and had commissioned a recycled water reuse study. All agencies desire to find a solution

to move forward and this begins to set forth a strategy to implement. Several developments, Beaumont Sports Park and Noble Creek Park have agreements for non-potable use, Jagers explained. He emphasized the drought and importance of the development and use of local supplies. He said he is pleased to have resumed conversations with the City and acknowledged the interest of the San Geronio Pass Water Agency (SGPWA) in partnering. The District has funding for these projects, he stated; there is a plan, and these things are in the CIP. BCVWD is ready to get moving and make expenditures. He said he looks forward to partnering with the City and SGPWA to finish the development and get to the best, lowest cost opportunities. He noted that the District and City have been partnering on this since the formation of CFD 93-1 (1993).

President Williams asked about setting up the rate structure. Jagers noted that the 2019 Water Financial Plan and Utility Rate Study includes this component as the calculations were required in the Memorandum of Understanding with the City. Rates were calculated as a cost based on supply available and savings overpaying State Water Project prices. The recycled water cost was detached from the potable cost, so the rates stand alone. He explained the components of the cost.

The District believes there are 1.5 to 2 years of work remaining related to building the booter station, acquiring of materials, Southern California Edison service, and more, Jagers stated. The schedule was provided in 2018 to the 2x2 Committee. This has not moved forward because of concern for potential stranded assets if the project wasn't implemented. The Groundwater Basin Plan identifies the District and City as partners. Currently, water from the wastewater treatment plant does not meet the groundwater basin objectives for TDS but the plant is rectifying the problems with the equipment to produce the required level.

Mr. Lance Eckhart of the SGPWA noted that this is an important aspect of the regional water portfolio. The water is being kept in the well-managed Beaumont Basin, offers 100 percent certainty, keeps pressure off the Delta, and is a climate change project, he noted. Now is the time - costs are expensive, but there is state and federal money coming down to support these types of projects, especially where there are partnerships.

4. Resolution 2022-18: Amendment to Resolution 2022-12 as Related to Water Use Restrictions

Director of Engineering Mark Swanson reminded the Board about the adoption of Resolution 2022-12 on April 28, 2022 and noted that there had been a wait for the State to produce regulations. As of May 24, the State has released regulations which were discussed in depth at the May 26, 2022 meeting. He reviewed the redline of Attachment A and discussed grading water and non-functional turf.

General Manager Jagers pointed out that these activities have been previously decided by the Board to try to achieve a 20 percent reduction in water use and tonight's action aligns the previous resolution with the State's requirements. Staff will return to the Board to update on drought conditions, he said.

The language regarding non-functional turf is directly from the State's regulation, Jagers explained. He reminded the Board about additional emergency regulations adopted by the State in January which pertain to Section 1 of the attachment. Legal Counsel Markman provided advice on implementation.

President Williams invited public comment.

Ms. Pat King, President of Solera Oak Valley Greens posited that discussion has not included homeowners' associations (HOAs) within the City. She said she had contacted several HOAs about the water restrictions and turf removal grants, and is working with Lance Eckhart, Dan Jagers and Elizabeth Gibbs to form a coalition of associations to get the attention of the State Water Board and grants available. The area HOAs should all be talking to the District about their needs, she noted. Solera has a large green belt used for recreation which must continue to be watered. Solera has had non-potable instruments for 20 years, but they have not been functioning. She said the organizations will follow the District's instructions, but encouraged the District to hear what they had to say to understand the importance of water restrictions in the area.

Vice President Ramirez asked about repercussions if the Board did not pass the resolution. Mr. Swanson stated the prior Resolution 2022-12 would be in effect. Mr. Markman added that this resolution straightens out some ambiguities and causes it to be compatible with the State in order to enforce in those areas discussed by Mr. Swanson.

Director Slawson acknowledged the resolution aligns with the State's desire. He said he understood the reason for the 5-acre parcel grading water applications coming to the Board, but said that whoever wants to build should be able to until it is decided that there is not enough water. This is only Stage 3, he added. He asked if an estimate on the cubic yards of grading could be used instead. Mr. Swanson clarified that staff is not denying grading water to development; if an area greater than 5 acres is being disturbed then the decision to utilize that water needs to come to the Board.

Mr. Jagers added that the intent was not to burden the Board with small entities doing rough grading, but for the Board to understand and consider anything that creates a real burden of water use as the drought continues. The State has mandated that development is not to be inhibited unless the water cannot be provided, he noted. Swanson noted that estimates are provided to the District by the developer and the Board is kept apprised of grading operations.

The Board adopted Resolution 2022-18: Amendment to Attachment A of Resolution 2022-12: Implementation of Stage 3 Water Shortage, Adopting Water Use Restrictions to Protect the Water System and the Ratepayers of the District by the following roll-call vote:

MOVED: Hoffman	SECONDED: Slawson	APPROVED 4-0
AYES:	Hoffman, Ramirez, Slawson, Williams	
NOES:	None	
ABSTAIN:	None	
ABSENT:	Covington	

5. Request for Grading Water for Ongoing Development within the Fairway Canyon Master Planned Community (Tract 31462 – Phase IVB) in the City of Beaumont

Mr. Swanson noted that grading has been ongoing at Fairway Canyon since 2019. A request was made in 2021 to complete grading Planning Area IVB and a

conditional letter was issued in November 2021 with a termination date of May 30, 2022. The developer has indicated that an additional 14 working days are needed to complete the activities. If approved tonight, staff will provide a letter which will be effective to approximately June 29, Swanson explained. He pointed to the correspondence with the water amounts requested.

There is active construction for tracts within the area, and there are water, street, sewer, and storm drain improvements going in, which would continue using the smaller meters, Swanson continued.

President Williams invited public comment. Mr. Dave Hendryx, representative for Meritage Homes, reiterated that grading has been ongoing for two years, of which Meritage Homes has been on the project for one year. He noted there was a six-week delay before permits could be pulled, so the additional 14 days requested still keeps the project under the gallons allocated. The project has been in full compliance the entire time. He requested the extension which will allow completion of the job, and noted that other meters are used for in-tract development.

Vice President Ramirez asked about the need for construction meters to be locked by staff to assure accountability. Mr. Swanson explained that the developer supplied the six-inch meter which has its own connection to the system (the District does not supply meters that large) and staff makes a daily reading. The meter would be pulled, and field staff would be assigned to assure it is not reconnected. Ramirez asked about need for an agreement to allow a lock to be affixed to assure no accidental removal and usage of water. Swanson indicated that meter removal and sealing of the pipe would suffice. Mr. Jaggars reiterated that all large grading meters are read daily, and if staff identifies an anomaly, it is addressed. If there is a discrepancy the meter is shut down and staff works with the contractor to assure things are accounted for.

Jaggars added that maximum flow rates were specified and monitored. So far, it has been a reasonable relationship with both entities doing their part, he noted. Swanson stated that meters are required to be tested and certified for accuracy. Mr. Hendryx advised the Board that water was curtailed on May 31 and the job has been shut down in compliance with the order.

Vice President Ramirez emphasized the need for parameters to assure all are on the same page. He noted that other districts have had need to place a lock on meters.

Director Hoffman acknowledged the developer's delay and indicated the extension seems reasonable. Williams concurred.

The Board approved the request for grading water for ongoing development within the Fairway Canyon Master Planned Community (Tract 31462 – Phase IVB) in the City of Beaumont by the following roll-call vote:

MOVED: Slawson	SECONDED: Hoffman	APPROVED 4-0
AYES:	Hoffman, Ramirez, Slawson, Williams	
NOES:	None	
ABSTAIN:	None	
ABSENT:	Covington	

6. Requests for Will-Serve Letters for Fairway Canyon Master Plan Development located south of Sorenstam Drive and west of Tukwet Canyon Parkway in the City of Beaumont (Continued from April 13, 2022)

- a. **TR 31462-20: Request for “Will Serve Letter” related to the Fairway Canyon Master Plan Development located in the City of Beaumont and further identified as Tract No. 31462-20 (a portion of Planning Area 22)**
- b. **TR 31462-23: Request for “Will Serve Letter” related to the Fairway Canyon Master Plan Development located in the City of Beaumont and further identified as Tract No. 31462-23 (a portion of Planning Area 22)**
- c. **TR 31462-24: Request for “Will Serve Letter” related to the Fairway Canyon Master Plan Development located in the City of Beaumont and further identified as Tract No. 31462-24 (a portion of Planning Area 22)**
- d. **TR 31462-25: Request for “Will Serve Letter” related to the Fairway Canyon Master Plan Development located in the City of Beaumont and further identified as Tract No. 31462-25 (a portion of Planning Area 22)**

Director of Engineering Mark Swanson provided an overview of the four tracts. Sewer and storm drains are being installed and the water plans are awaiting approval of a Will-Serve Letter (WSL). All four are ready for construction, he stated. Mr. Jagers reminded the Board of previous in-depth discussion of each tract.

Mr. Hendryx reminded the Board that these WSLs were tabled and emphasized that the State has no moratorium on homebuilding activities based upon any of the drought restrictions. He advised there are related plans for master facilities within the project that are close to approval. Final maps in process with the City need the WSLs to move forward, he noted.

The Board approved the issuance of Will-Serve Letters for domestic and recycled water service for the following single-family residential tracts in Fairway Canyon Planning Area 22 in the City of Beaumont:

a.	TR 31462-20	APN 413-790-042
b.	TR 31462-23	APN 413-790-042
c.	TR 31462-24	APN 413-790-042
d.	TR 31462-25	APN 413-790-042

by the following roll-call vote:

MOVED: Hoffman	SECONDED: Ramirez	APPROVED 4-0
AYES:	Hoffman, Ramirez, Slawson, Williams	
NOES:	None	
ABSTAIN:	None	
ABSENT:	Covington	

7. Request for Extension of Water Service Will Serve Letter for Previously Approved Development (Tract 32850), located on the west side of Manzanita Park Road, northwest of the intersection of Seneca Springs Boulevard in the City of Beaumont (Continued from April 28, 2022)

Director of Engineering Mark Swanson reminded the Board of previous discussion on this item and the tabling due to awaiting the State's drought restrictions. He explained this is 95 single-family residences in the Manzanita Park area. The development had faced environmental issues, and a map extension to March of 2023 was granted by the City. This WSL would allow the next step in getting the map recorded, he explained.

President Williams invited public comment. Mr. Dan Haskins advised the Board that this is the last approval from the City and the WSL is critical to make it a full project.

Director Hoffman asked if the project was being built in phases. Mr. Haskins indicated the project is in escrow with the regional builder and he did not have an answer. The builder purchasing it would come in to request grading water and any phasing of homes.

The Board approved the request for a ninth extension of Will Serve Letter for Tract 32850, 95 single-family residences located in the City of Beaumont by the following roll-call vote:

MOVED: Slawson	SECONDED: Hoffman	APPROVED 4-0
AYES:	Hoffman, Ramirez, Slawson, Williams	
NOES:	None	
ABSTAIN:	None	
ABSENT:	Covington	

8. Request for *Will Serve Letter* for Proposed Fire Station for Riverside County Assessor's Parcel No. (APN) 414-120-042 located at the northeast corner of Western Knolls Avenue and Potrero Boulevard (Further Identified as 2000 Western Knolls Avenue) in the City of Beaumont

Director of Engineering Mark Swanson indicated this 9,500 square foot fire station is a City project and detailed the request. Domestic water demands are estimated at 1.0 equivalent dwelling units (EDUs) and a small 1.2 EDUs in irrigation water, for a total of 2.2 EDUs.

The intention is to connect the facility off Potrero although there is ongoing work at the Potrero / Highway 60 interchange, and staff will work with the City. It is critical infrastructure and warrants two service connections, requiring a frontage main, he noted. Discussions with staff noted that at some point in the future a police station fronting Western Knolls will be needed to the east of the fire station. The plan would be to defer the large line running in Western Knolls, and allow the connection off Potrero for the interim as Western Knolls is developed and before it is paved. Details are to be ironed out, he noted.

General Manager Jagers noted that the City will extend facilities across all frontages but because of the lack of the second phase of the Potrero Bridge / interchange, Western Knolls has not been realigned. It is coming; the work will need to be done, and the plan has anticipated that, he said. This is in compliance with District policy to get facilities extended across the frontage ultimately, but because of the current condition the streets are not yet in place.

City of Beaumont Director of Public Works Jeff Hart noted the project has been in planning for more than 20 years. Increases in residential development have raised concerns about acceptable response times on the west side of town. One of the priorities in the City's recent general plan update was to increase fire department resources and facilities on the western portion, and target a response time of five minutes or less. The station will be located at the northeast corner of the realigned portion of Western Knolls which will turn into Olivewood Street on the west side of Potrero. It is anticipated that the City will award a contract for construction at their August 2 meeting. He described the benefits of the station.

Vice President Ramirez indicated support and encouraged hardscape landscaping.

President Williams invited public comment. There was none.

The Board approved request for water service "Will Serve Letter" for a property located at Riverside County Assessor's Parcel No. (APN) 414-120-042 within the City of Beaumont, subject to payment of all fees to the District and securing all approvals from the County of Riverside by the following roll-call vote:

MOVED: Hoffman	SECONDED: Slawson	APPROVED 4-0
AYES:	Hoffman, Ramirez, Slawson, Williams	
NOES:	None	
ABSTAIN:	None	
ABSENT:	Covington	

9. Consideration of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Categorical Exemption and Notice of Exemption for the Grand Avenue Pipeline Replacement Project (Pipelines 6A, 7, and 8) located between Martin Lane and Bellflower Avenue

Director of Engineering Mark Swanson reminded the Board that the MDP Line 16 storm drain project is underway and pipelines have been realigned to avoid conflict with the project. Staff is now looking at completing Grand Avenue as a complete line, and some materials have been ordered.

Staff has made findings that this is a CEQA exempt project. Although it is a larger diameter pipe, it connects to the existing systems that run north and south and is not necessarily adding capacity, Swanson explained.

Plans are 95 percent complete, and staff will work with the County on a paving plan, Swanson stated. A Notice Inviting Bids will go out and a contractor will be selected with Board approval, he said. This is tracking for the end of August through early October to get the work done, he noted, as that falls in line with the period when the storm drain is complete, and the pavement component begins.

General Manager Jagers reminded about the pre-ordering of pipe.

President Williams invited public comment. There was none.

President Williams asked if all materials would be acquired in time. Mr. Swanson said staff has been checking weekly with supplier and the fittings are expected in early August. The project will go quickly, he noted. Mr. Jagers added that staff is

working with local area partners to ensure Grand Avenue is a complete project that has no future problems. The residents are enduring a lot of activity in front of their homes, and the intention is to leave it in better shape than it was found. The intent is to partner with Flood Control and the County to do the best work possible for the community.

Mr. Mickey Valdivia noted that several people reached out right away, and those messages were related to Flood Control and BCVWD and immediate action was taken. Mr. Jagers was responsive, and people were impressed. The County is excited about partnering, being able to capture some of that water, and keeping people safe. It is a cooperative project, he noted, and said he looks forward to its completion in the right way. Vice President Ramirez concurred.

In response to Director Slawson, Mr. Swanson explained the CEQA terminology.

The Board accepted the findings of staff that the following project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), approved the project, and directed staff to file the Notice of Exemption with the Riverside County Clerk of the Board for the following project:

Grand Avenue Replacement Pipelines:

1. Pipeline 6A: Grand Avenue – Martin Lane, ±510 LF Easterly to Existing 8” Main
2. Pipeline 7: Grand Avenue – Jonathan Avenue to Bellflower Avenue (±2,320 LF)
3. Pipeline 8: Grand Avenue – Noble Street to El Monte Drive (±870 LF)

by the following roll-call vote:

MOVED: Ramirez	SECONDED: Hoffman	APPROVED 4-0
AYES:	Hoffman, Ramirez, Slawson, Williams	
NOES:	None	
ABSTAIN:	None	
ABSENT:	Covington	

10. Resolution 2022-19 Amending the District’s Policies and Procedures Manual Regarding Benefits

Human Resources Administrator Sabrina Foley introduced the following policies for consideration and reviewed revisions. The policies have been recommended by the Personnel Committee and are intended to match the policy manual to the adopted Employee Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU).

- 3020 – Health and Welfare Benefits
- 3100 – Bereavement Leave

Jagers reiterated that these policies have been vetted through the Personnel Committee, and this continued the ongoing revision of the policy manual. He pointed out the list of policies being addressed and prioritization. The target is to address three policies per month, he said.

Vice President Ramirez said he appreciated staff moving these policies to the Board.

President Williams invited public comment. There was none.

The Board adopted Resolution 2022-19 Amending the District Policies and Procedures Manual by the following roll-call vote:

MOVED: Slawson	SECONDED: Hoffman	APPROVED 4-0
AYES:	Hoffman, Ramirez, Slawson, Williams	
NOES:	None	
ABSTAIN:	None	
ABSENT:	Covington	

11. 2021 External Audit and Annual Comprehensive Financial Report

Finance Manager William Clayton introduced Evelyn Morentin Barceno of Rogers, Anderson, Malody and Scott. Ms. Barceno complimented staff on the audit and said it was extremely clean. She described the audit process and responsibilities of the auditor. The Board has fiduciary responsibility to ensure that management fulfills their obligations of internal control and financial reporting, she said.

Ms. Barceno advised the Board of the clean, unmodified opinion, on the District's financial statements; the highest level of assurance that auditors can provide.

Barceno clarified a change in the planning letter and audit format, based on new staff in July of 2021, and a change in the format of the audit report: this year, the audit opinion is at the top.

Director Hoffman noted this was reviewed extensively at the Finance and Audit Committee and is pleased with the opinion declared. He thanked staff for cooperation with the auditors. Director Slawson mentioned potential of the GFOA award this year.

President Williams invited public comment. There was none.

The Board received and filed the audit report by the following roll-call vote:

MOVED: Slawson	SECONDED: Hoffman	APPROVED 4-0
AYES:	Hoffman, Ramirez, Slawson, Williams	
NOES:	None	
ABSTAIN:	None	
ABSENT:	Covington	

12. Consideration of Attendance at the California Special Districts Association Annual Conference August 22 - 25, 2022 and / or the Urban Water Institute Annual Water Conference August 24 - 26, 2022

General Manager Jagers cautioned that due to increased Board member participation in events and activities, the budget remaining is being diminished with only 19 to 20 percent remaining. A budget adjustment will be brought back to the Board based on anticipated costs.

Jagers outlined the conferences and costs, noting the date overlap and conflict with the August 25, 2022 Engineering Workshop.

Director Slawson said he is registered for the CSDA conference and will commute, not take a hotel room.

President Williams and Director Ramirez indicated interest in the Urban Water Institute.

13. Consideration of Attendance at Upcoming Events and Authorization of Reimbursement and Per Diem

General Manager Jagers again cautioned that the budget is close to being fully expended. He reviewed the list of new events.

President Williams confirmed she would attend the Building Industry Association Southern California Water Conference on August 12.

14. Continued Review of California Drought Conditions, District Urban Water Management Plan and Water Shortage Contingency Plan, BCVWD Resolution 2022-12 Implementing Water Use Restrictions, and Other Drought Response

General Manager Jagers noted that the State is requiring, as part of the Urban Water Management Plan / Water Shortage Contingency Plan, messaging and public communication. This type of report serves as a message to ratepayers what is happening in California and continues to demonstrate messaging.

Jagers advised that the SGPWA is securing a couple of local billboards for drought messaging, and it is his intent for BCVWD to participate with a logo on the billboard.

15. Reports For Discussion

a. Ad Hoc Committees:

Communications Committee: Vice President Ramirez reported that op-ed pieces continue to offer Board members an opportunity to communicate to the public. Some themes being pursued are drought conditions, the stormwater project with the County. He acknowledged the work of staff and CV Strategies. The website and social media are being kept up to date. It is important to communicate with constituents and assure they know how to get in touch. General Manager Jagers is working with staff to post more photos of work accomplished in the field.

Sites Reservoir Committee: Mr. Jagers noted that the SGPWA is moving forward and there will be agenda items for discussion in the future.

Water Re-Use 2x2: Mr. Jagers stated that the issuance of the Draft Non-Potable Water Master Plan sets the stage for the restart of the Committee. Interim City Manager Gibbs has indicated that the City will be reaching out to reestablish the meetings in a few weeks.

b. Directors' Reports:

Director Slawson reported attending the following:

- Bay-Delta Tour
- San Geronio Pass Water Agency meeting
- San Geronio Pass Regional Water Alliance
- Cherry Festival

Director Hoffman reported attending the following:

- Cherry Festival and Parade

President Williams reported attending the following:

- Cherry Festival

c. Directors' General Comments:

Director Slawson advocated for establishment of a turf removal program. He noted it is the purview of the SGPWA and offered assistance. Mr. Merle Chapman interjected that Mr. Eckhart had told him it was up to BCVWD.

d. General Manager's Report:

Mr. Jagers reported the following:

- Expressed appreciation for the partnership with SGPWA for the Cherry Festival, and to staff for staffing the booth.
- Projects are being pushed forward with pre-purchase of materials for several pipelines.
- Coming forward will be proposals for a coating replacement project.
- The District's rate structure does not currently have a component for a turf replacement program, nor does the SGPWA. A State-level program may be implemented where applications for reimbursement would be made to the State.

e. Legal Counsel Report: None.

16. Action List for Future Meetings:

- Presentation on the San Bernardino Valley Resource Conservation District
- Water supply for BCVWD and the region
- Matrix for delivery of recycled water
- Legal Counsel report on changes in Proposition 218
- Legal update on drought conditions in the west
- Maintenance costs at 800-hp well sites

17. Announcements

President Williams read the following announcements:

- Personnel Committee Meeting: Tuesday, June 21 at 5:30 p.m.
- Engineering Workshop: Thursday, June 23 at 6 p.m.
- Collaborative Agencies Committee: Wednesday, July 6, 2022 at 5 p.m.
- Finance and Audit Committee Meeting: Thursday, July 7, 2022 at 3 p.m.
- Regular Board Meeting: Wednesday, July 13, 2022 at 6 p.m.

18. Adjournment

President Williams adjourned the meeting at 9:12 p.m.

ATTEST:



Director Lona Williams, President
to the Board of Directors of the
Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District



Director David Hoffman, Secretary
to the Board of Directors of the
Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District