



**BEAUMONT-CHERRY VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
560 Magnolia Avenue, Beaumont, CA 92223
Wednesday, June 11th, 2014**

Call to Order, President Woll

President Woll began the meeting at 7:14 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance, Director Ball

Director Ball led the pledge.

Invocation, Director Ross

Director Ross led the invocation.

Roll Call

Present at the meeting were President Woll, Directors Ball, Guldseth, Ross and Slawson. Legal Counsel: James Markman. District Staff: General Manager: Eric Fraser, Director of Operations: Tony Lara, Director of Engineering: Dan Jagggers, and Director of Finance and Administrative Services: Melissa Bender. Public that registered their attendance were: Barbara Voight, Fran Flanders, Patsy Reeley, Barbara Brown, David Castaldo, John M. Halliwill, Nancy Carroll, MaryAnn Melleby, Pat Doherty and Brian Hall.

Public Comment

David Castaldo thanked Director Ross for participating in the City of Beaumont's video regarding water conservation.

Nancy Carroll, a member of the Gateway Committee, thanked the Board for considering the Gateway Resolution (Resolution 2014-03) on tonight's agenda.

Judy Bingham expressed her disappointment in Director Ross's participation in the City of Beaumont water conservation video.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Adoption of the Agenda (pages 1-3)

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. April 2014 Budget Variance Report Review** (pages 4-8)
- b. April 30th, 2014 Cash/Investment Balance Report** (page 9)
- c. May 2014 Check Register Review** (pages 10-22)
- d. May 2014 Invoices Pending Approval** (pages 23-34)
- e. Minutes of the Regular Meeting May 14th, 2014** (pages 35-39)

The consent calendar passed 5-0 with no items being pulled for discussion.

3. Continued Discussion Related to Current Drought Conditions and Review of the District's Water Supply Reliability and Water Shortage Contingency Planning Guidelines as Set Forth in Section 5 of the District's 2013 Urban Water Management Plan (pages 40-81)**

General Manager updated the Board on details of Governor Brown's Executive Order on Reduction Requirements and the District's Water Supply Reliability and Water Shortage Contingency Planning Guidelines as Set Forth in Section 5 of the District's 2013 Urban Water Management Plan Update.

After discussion, Director Slawson motioned to initiate Stage 1 of the Stages of Action in Response to Water Supply Shortages as set forth in Section 5 of the District's 2013 Urban Water Management Plan and to send the letter as an insert with the next two billing cycles. Director Ball seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

4. Discussion Regarding the Board's Responsibility in Regards to Land Planning (page 82)**

Public Comments on Item:

Patsy Reeley advised the Board that she believes the Board has to be involved and active in land planning decisions because they have a responsibility to assure there is enough water for the community.

Legal Counsel Markman reminded the Board that the City of Beaumont or the County of Riverside are the land planning agencies for the area and that the Board really doesn't have direct control of land planning decisions. The Board does however have a direct responsibility to prepare a 20 year water supply assessment when applicable.

After discussion, the Board stated they would like to be work with the City of Beaumont to become more involved during the land planning process to reach a unified position and consider the opinions of the community before land planning decisions are made.

Beaumont City Council Member David Castaldo stated he has asked his Council three times over the last year to work with the District to resolve these issues. He recommends the Board ask the City Council in the Public Forum.

5. Consideration of Resolution 2014-03 A Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District Requesting the County of Riverside Board of Supervisors Oppose Proposed Zone Changes to the Riverside County General Plan (pages 83-84)**

Public Comments on Item:

Pat Doherty thanked the Board for their opposition to the proposed zone changes; however, he suggested the Board specifically state their concerns in the Resolution.

Patsy Reeley thanked the Board for their support of the issue and the Resolution.

Nancy Carroll, a member of the Gateway Committee, advised the Board that she really likes the Resolution as drafted and hopes they sign it.

After discussion, Director Ball motioned to approve the Resolution as drafted. The motion was seconded by President Woll and passed 5-0.

6. Discussion of Grand Avenue Storm Drain Project and Request for Board Direction Regarding Continued Project Development (pages 85-87)**

General Manager Fraser and Director of Engineering Dan Jagers provided an overview of the project development.

After discussion, General Manager Fraser stated the District staff will perform additional analysis and bring back a draft agreement to the Board for consideration if the Board desires. Director Ross motioned to approve the project for further analysis and to bring a draft agreement back to the Board for consideration. Director Guldseth seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

7. Consideration of Annexation of Parcel for ASM Beaumont Business Center Development (located South of State Route 60/West of Potrero Road) and Approval of Water Service “Will Serve Letter”* (pages 88-95)**

Public Comment on Item:

Patsy Reeley urged the Board to postpone decision until there is more information available on the project and the drought is over. She wished the Board would have a policy to give their feedback on the water availability during the EIR during the CEQA process.

Judy Bingham stated she is opposed to the annexation and “Will Serve Letter.”

Brent Caldwell, representative of the owners of ASM Beaumont, updated the Board on their development planning and thanked the Board for bringing the item back for consideration.

After discussion, Director Slawson motioned to approve the annexation and “Will Serve Letter” request, Director Ross seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0, with Director Guldseth abstaining.

8. Consideration of Annexation of Parcels for Revised Hidden Canyon II Development (located South of State Route 60/West of Potrero Road) and Approval of Water Service “Will Serve Letter”* (pages 96-100)**

Public Comment on Item:

Judy Bingham and Patsy Reeley both spoke in opposition to the annexation and “Will Serve Letter.”

Brian Hall and David Golkar spoke in favor of the project.

After discussion, Director Slawson motioned to approve the annexation and “Will Serve Letter” request, Director Ross seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-1, with Director Ball dissenting and Director Guldseth abstaining.

9. Consideration of Approval of Water Service “Will Serve Letter” for the proposed Country Club Village Development (pages 101-109)**

Public Comment on Item:

Patsy Reeley and Judy Bingham both spoke in opposition to the annexation and “Will Serve Letter.”

David Golkar spoke in favor of the project.

After discussion, Director Slawson motioned to approve the “Will Serve Letter” request, Director Ross seconded the motion stating that these approvals are dependent upon the San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency (SGPWA) performing their function of importing the water necessary to meet the demand. SGPWA Board Member Barbara Voight then stated from the audience that if the Board approved the will serves, they would be responsible for providing the water. The motion passed 3-2, with Directors Ball and Director Guldseth dissenting.

10. Reports for Discussion

a. Ad Hoc Committees

No reports were made.

b. General Manager

General Manager Fraser provided an update on the following topics:

- *San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency recently updated their Urban Water Management Plan to reflect the demands in BCVWD’s most recent UWMP. Mr. Fraser expressed concern about the comment made by the SGPWA Board Member Voight since it is in direct conflict with recent policy adopted by the SGPWA and associated statements regarding the Agency’s role in providing imported water supply to the region. He further stated if the SGPWA is unwilling to meet the needs of the agencies in their service area, then the agencies may need to reconsider the SGPWA’s role as the wholesale water agency for the region;*
- *District’s audit to be presented at next Board meeting;*
- *Continue to take water deliveries at the Noble Creek Recharge facility as water is available;*
- *Fire in Bogart Park: Mr. Fraser thanked staff members Lara and Dahlstrom for monitoring the District’s facilities to ensure water supply needs were met for fire fighting operations;*

- *Master Plan progress continues: Mr. Fraser thanked District staff Jagers and Reichenberger for their good work and anticipates having a final product before the end of the year; and*
- *GIS project is nearly complete: Staff is already making use of the features and resources available.*

c. Directors Reports

Directors Ross and Slawson attended the City of Beaumont's State of the City meeting. Director Ball attended the Regional Alliance meeting. Director Guldseth thanked David Castaldo and District staff for their presentation at the Alliance meeting held early today.

President Woll had nothing to report.

d. Legal Counsel Report

Mr. Markman had nothing to report.

11. Announcements

- Beaumont Basin Watermaster meeting, tentatively scheduled, July 2nd, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.
- Finance & Audit Committee meeting, July 3rd, 2014 at 3:00 p.m.
- Regular Board meeting, July 9th, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.
- Beaumont Basin Watermaster meeting, August 6th, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.
- Finance & Audit Committee meeting, August 7th, 2014 at 3:00 p.m.
- Regular Board meeting, August 13th, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

President Woll made the announcements above.

12. 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
- Storm Water Recapture Project

13. Recess to Closed Session

- a. Conference with Labor Negotiators pursuant to Government Code 54957.6:

Agency Negotiator: Eric Fraser

Represented Employees: BCVWD Employee Association

Item 15 was pulled from the agenda by General Manager Fraser.

14. Adjournment

President Woll adjourned the meeting at 9:17 p.m.

Attest:

Director Ryan Woll, President of 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