

CAWELO WATER DISTRICT

BOARD MEETING

Conference Room at District Office

Thursday, January 10, 2019 - 9:00 a.m.

MINUTES

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Keith Watkins, Mark Smith, Eric Miller, John Gaugel, Brian Blackwell
STAFF PRESENT: David Ansolabehere, Dave Hampton, LeeAnn Giles, Emilie Ortiz, Candice Valdez
LEGAL COUNSEL: Robert Hartsock
CONSULTING ENGINEER: R.L. Schafer
OTHER ATTENDEES: Scott Hamilton, Ryan Niese, Mark Payette, Jeremy Nugent, Andy Schweikart, Garrett, Molly Saso

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Watkins at 9:02 a.m. in the Conference Room of the District office located at 17207 Industrial Farm Road, Bakersfield, CA.

B. APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

Minutes of the Board meeting for December 13, 2018 were presented for approval. After review, *it was motioned by Director Blackwell, seconded by Director Miller and unanimously carried that the minutes for December 13, 2018 be approved.*

C. TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's Report for the month of December was presented by District Controller, Ms. Giles. Balances for December were as follows:

General Funds	1,200,433.84
Construction Funds	9,629,855.36
Reserved Funds	<u>9,425,844.74</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	20,256,133.94
Receipts for December 2018	641,187.93
Manual Cash Disbursements	521,299.90
Net Revenue through December	17,776,571.37
Total Expenses through December	<u>14,732,602.72</u>
NET REVENUE / <LOSS>	2,818,979.94

After review and discussion, *it was motioned by Director Blackwell, seconded by Director Smith and unanimously carried that the Treasurer's Report for December be accepted as presented.*

D. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

The Accounts Payable report for the month of December 2018 was presented by District Controller, Ms. Giles. The report covered checks 31393 – 31443 issued January 9, 2019 and totaled \$376,438.51.

After review and discussion, *it was motioned by Director Blackwell, seconded by Director Gaugel and unanimously carried that checks for the Accounts Payable for the month of December be accepted as presented and all invoices paid accordingly.*

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS – The floor was open for any public comments, at which time there were none.

F. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1) Projects

- a. North Kern Transportation Agreement** – Mr. Ansolabehere reported he had no update and that North Kern Water Storage District has tabled this item while they continue discussions with the City of Bakersfield.
- b. Famoso to Friant Pipeline Project** – Mr. Ansolabehere reported that staff is working with landowners to finalize the easements.
- c. Well #14 & #15 Pipeline Project** – Mr. Ansolabehere reported that the project is essentially complete and the next steps are to provide the electrical hook-up to the pumps.
- d. Landowner Recharge** – Mr. Hampton reported that staff and legal counsel have updated the draft principles regarding and that they are under internal review and will be distributed to the Board of Directors for further review when the review is complete.

2) ILRP

Coalition Update –

Mr. Hampton reported that the Regional Board responded to CWDC's Surface Water Management Plan (SWMP) that was submitted on November 14, 2018. The Regional Water Board is requesting that CWDC monitor the Lerdo Canal and Distribution Canal. In respects to the Lerdo Canal, CWDC does not own or have authority to access that canal. Staff intends to provide the Regional Board with response stating that CWDC has no access or authority regarding the Lerdo Canal. If the Regional Board continues to require

CWDC to monitor the Lerdo Canal, CWDC will work with the Kern River Watershed Coalition Authority to determine costs and appropriate monitoring.

With respect to the Distribution Canal, CWDC is currently monitoring for the two WDR's, covering the use of recycled produced water but that monitoring does not include the necessary constituents for ILRP

Mr. Hampton also reported that the Regional Board issued a notice for a Public Hearing to be held on February 7/8, 2019, in regards to the proposed changes to the Central Valley General Orders that also includes the Tulare Lake Basin General Order. It is expected that the Regional Board will address a majority of the comments that were submitted by the coalitions on the administrative draft.

Mr. Hampton further reported that the MPEP group is currently seeking future grant funding sources to help develop and implement the MPEP.

Lastly, Mr. Hampton reported that the Kern River Watershed Coalition Authority (KRWCA) and the Kern coalitions have scheduled joint workshops to cover the Farm Evaluations and Nitrogen Management Plan training. Meetings that have been held were on December 17, 2018 in Buttonwillow, January 8, 2019 in Bakersfield, and an upcoming workshop is scheduled for January 10, 2019 in Wasco.

3) Sustainable Groundwater Management Act

- a) **Update** – Mr. Ansolabehere had no report, noting there was a Cawelo GSA meeting prior to this meeting which covered this topic.

4) Financial and Personnel

- a) **Employee Compensations** – Mr. Ansolabehere had no report at this time.

5) SWP

- a) **Cal Water Fix** – Consultant, Mr. Hamilton, provided a brief update on the Cal Water Fix. Mr. Hampton also reported that San Luis Reservoirs will provide State Water carry over that could provide Article 21 water.

G. ATTORNEY'S REPORT – Mr. Hartsock had no report for open session.

H. ENGINEER'S REPORT

- 1) **Poso Creek Diversion Petition** - Mr. Schafer reported that staff has responded to DWR's comments and concerns, and has not yet received a response.

- 2) **Stream Alteration Agreement** - Mr. Schafer also reported that staff will be scheduling an appointment with Fish and Wildlife representatives in an effort to resolve any further issues.

Mr. Schafer also provided Fall 2018 groundwater conditions for review and discussion.

I. MANAGER'S REPORT

- 1) **Water Deliveries/Supplies** into the District for December 2018 were as follows:

	<u>Ac-Ft Delivered</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Supplies Received	2,546	68,816
Landowner Deliveries	705	63,062
East Poso Basin Recharge	109	296
Famoso Basin Recharge	0	1,506
System Loss/Operational Recharge	218	2,824
Diversion from Poso Creek		
To Famoso Basin Banking	0	685
Percolation losses Creek Channel	0	1,916
Poso Creek Water Passed Trenton Weir	0	2,816

Produced Water Deliveries for the month of December were as follows:

Chevron	35.5 cfs per day (2,109 ac-ft.)
CRC/Bell Aire	7.0 cfs per day (418 ac-ft.)

2) **System Operations & Maintenance:**

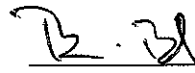
- Copper sulfate applications continue to be applied in the distribution canal and reservoirs as needed.
- Meter repairs continue to be conducted throughout the District.

ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION – The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:33 a.m. to Closed Session.

J. Closed Session:

- 1) **To confer with legal counsel regarding pending litigation under authority of Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(2)(3) (one matter) (d)(4) (one matter).**
- 2) **Conference with real property negotiators and/or properties under authority of Government Code Section 54956.8**
 - a) **City Water Purchase**
 - b) **North Kern Canal Facility Use**
 - c) **Miscellaneous Water Supplies**
 - d) **Storage/Well Sites**
 - e) **Oil Field Waters**
- 3) **Wages/salary/other terms and conditions of employment under authority of Government Code Section 54957.6**

- K. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION** – The Board returned to Open Session. It was announced that no action was taken in Closed Session that required disclosure under the Brown Act at this time.
- L. ADJOURNMENT** – The Board meeting adjourned at 10:48a.m. The next regularly scheduled Board meeting is set for February 14, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in the Cawelo Water District Conference Room.



Brian Blackwell, Board Secretary