CAWELO WATER DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING
17207 Industrial Farm Road, Bakersfield CA 93308
Pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20 NO PUBLIC ACCESS DUE TO COVID-19
Public Participation via Zoom 1-(699)-900-6833 / Meeting ID: 998 3732 3028 / Password: 329808
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Thursday, July 9, 2020
9:00 a.m.

MINUTES

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Keith Watkins, Brian Blackwell, Mark Smith, John Gaugel
DIRECTORS ABSENT: Eric Miller
STAFF PRESENT: David Ansolabehere, Dave Hampton, LeeAnn Giles, Celynn Lyman
LEGAL COUNSEL: Robert Hartsock
OTHER ATTENDEES: Garrett Busch, Doug Gosling, Peter Nelson, Andy Schweikart, Todd Turley

A. CALL TO ORDER
The Board Meeting was called to order by President Watkins at 9:07 a.m.

B. COVID-19 UPDATE
Mr. Ansolabehere reported that District remains conservative on this issue and will continue to adhere to the State Executive Order for the ongoing safety of staff and landowners.

C. APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES
Minutes of the Board meeting for June 11, 2020 were presented for approval. After review and discussion, it was motioned by Director Blackwell, seconded by Director Smith and carried, by the following Roll Call Vote, that the minutes from June, 2020 be approved as modified.

AYES: 4 Watkins, Blackwell, Smith, Gaugel
NOES: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 1 Miller

D. TREASURER’S REPORT
The Treasurer’s Report for the month of June was presented by District Controller, Ms. Giles. Balances for June were as follows:

General Funds 5,465,150.20
Construction Funds 7,938,416.86
Reserved Funds 9,272,924.10

TOTAL FUNDS 22,676,491.16
Receipts for June 2020 1,199,722.80
Manual Cash Disbursements 54,436.88

Net Revenue through June 5,583,806.61
Total Expenses through June 4,016,856.89
NET REVENUE / <LOSS> 1,566,949.72

After review and discussion, it was motioned by Director Smith, seconded by Director Gaugel and carried, by the following Roll Call Vote, that the Treasurer’s Report from June, 2020 be approved as presented.

AYES: 4 Watkins, Blackwell, Smith, Gaugel
NOES: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 1 Miller

a) Collectors Deeds – Board Resolutions No. 683 through 688
This process set forth in the California Water Code by which the District can enforce and/or collect past due assessments that have been levied upon property but have remained unpaid for at least the last three years. The collector’s deeds allow Cawelo to acquire title to the properties.

After review and discussion, it was motioned by Director Blackwell, seconded by Director Gaugel and carried, by the following Roll Call Vote, to adopt Resolution 683:

AYES: 4 Watkins, Blackwell, Smith, Gaugel
NOES: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 1 Miller

After review and discussion, it was motioned by Director Smith, seconded by Director Gaugel and carried, by the following Roll Call Vote, to adopt Resolution 684:

AYES: 4 Watkins, Blackwell, Smith, Gaugel
NOES: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 1 Miller

After review and discussion, it was motioned by Director Blackwell, seconded by Director Smith and carried, by the following Roll Call Vote, to adopt Resolution 685:

AYES: 4 Watkins, Blackwell, Smith, Gaugel
NOES: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 1 Miller
After review and discussion, it was motioned by Director Gaugel, seconded by Director Blackwell and carried, by the following Roll Call Vote, to adopt Resolution 686:

AYES: 4 Watkins, Blackwell, Smith, Gaugel  
NOES: 0  
ABSTAIN: 0  
ABSENT: 1 Miller  

After review and discussion, it was motioned by Director Blackwell, seconded by Director Smith and carried, by the following Roll Call Vote, to adopt Resolution 687:

AYES: 4 Watkins, Blackwell, Smith, Gaugel  
NOES: 0  
ABSTAIN: 0  
ABSENT: 1 Miller  

After review and discussion, it was motioned by Director Smith, seconded by Director Gaugel and carried, by the following Roll Call Vote, to adopt Resolution 688:

AYES: 4 Watkins, Blackwell, Smith, Gaugel  
NOES: 0  
ABSTAIN: 0  
ABSENT: 1 Miller  

E. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

District Controller, Ms. Giles, presented the Accounts Payable report for the month of June 2020. The report covered checks 32533 through 32581 issued July 8, 2020 in the amount of $1,358,708.26; Manual disbursements consisted of ACH transfers and check number 32532 and totaled $54,436.88.

After review and discussion, it was motioned by Director Blackwell, seconded by Director Smith and carried, by the following Roll Call Vote, that the Accounts Payable from June, 2020 be approved as presented.

AYES: 4 Watkins, Blackwell, Smith, Gaugel  
NOES: 0  
ABSTAIN: 0  
ABSENT: 1 Miller  

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

G. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1) PROJECTS
   a. North Kern Transportation Agreement – Mr. Ansolabehere had nothing new to report at this time.
b. **Famoso to Friant Pipeline Project** – Mr. Ansolabehere reported that District recently executed Union Pacific Railroad agreement revision. The fully-executed agreement should be received from railroad forthwith. Mr. Ansolabehere noted the revised agreement should not have a negative impact on the project schedule.

c. **Landowner Recharge** – In addition to providing a written draft copy of the program description, Mr. Hampton reported that the CEQA process is underway. Staff is currently reviewing the draft description to ensure it is sufficient.

2) **ILRP - Coalition Update** – In addition to providing a written report, Mr. Hampton noted that the Groundwater Trend Monitoring (GTM) Report was completed and submitted to the Regional Board on July 1, 2020.

The Central Valley Coalitions submitted the Groundwater Protection Target (GWPT) workplan to the Regional Board on July 1, 2020. The workplan outlined a process to develop groundwater protection values for the High Vulnerability areas based on several factors. A Meeting was held with Regional Board and other stakeholders on June 12, 2020 to brief them on a GWPT concept and answer any questions. The meeting went smoothly and there was no opposition to the proposed concept.

With regard to CV SALTS, Mr. Hampton reported that the Central Valley Salinity Coalition hosted a webinar on July 2, 2020 to provide an overview of the program and future salt and nitrate compliance. Mr. Hampton noted that one of the key takeaways was the significant level of outreach, organizing, and governance that will be required.

3) **Sustainable Groundwater Management Act**
   a) **Update**
      No update was provided because the matter was discussed at the Cawelo GSA Special Board Meeting.

4) **Financial and Personnel**
   a) **Employee Compensations** – Nothing to report.

5) **SWP**
   a) **Delta Conveyance Project (DCP) – (Previously Cal Water Fix)** – Mr. Ansolabehere reported the levels of district participation are still under review with hopes to have numbers by the end of the year.

H. **ATTORNEY’S REPORT** – Mr. Hartsock had no report for open session.

I. **ENGINEER’S REPORT**
   1) **Poso Creek Diversion Petition** – Mr. Ansolabehere reported that the Petition for Change and Petition for Extension have both been completed, as well as the environmental information for the petitions. He is working with Jane Ling to resolve any questions. Submittals should be completed before the end of July 2020.
J. MANAGER’S REPORT

1) Water Deliveries/Supplies into the District for June 2020 were as follows:

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Diversion from Poso Creek
To Famoso Basin Banking       0          0
Percolation losses Creek Channel  410      3,780
Poso Creek Water Passed Trenton Weir  1,121  11,386

Produced Water Deliveries for the month of June 2020 were as follows:
Chevron                        35.4 cfs per day (2,110 ac-ft.)
CRC/Bell Aire                   7.5 cfs per day (449 ac-ft.)

2) System Operations & Maintenance:
Copper sulfate applications to the distribution canal and reservoirs continue and meter repairs are still being conducted throughout the District. Supplemental water purchases have been made through BVWSD, Oildale Mutual WSD and KCWA’s Yuba Water Program. Supplemental water has been made available to District Landowners, for purchase, through July 14, 2020. Pump Station B’s Solar Array project has been cancelled due to non-feasibility based on several factors. District staff is reviewing possibility of PWRPA partnership to create a solar plant on district-owned land near the Famoso basin.

3) Ratify Purchase of New 2019 Cab and Chassis for District Welding Truck:
In addition to a written report, Mr. Ansolabehere advised that, on June 22, 2020, the engine failed on the District’s welding truck (2007 Ford F450). Cost to repair exceeded the vehicle’s value. The District’s Board President was consulted and verbally agreed to purchase of replacement. A 2019 Dodge Ram 5500 Cab and Chassis was located at a reasonable price and purchased. The Utility bed from the 2007 Ford has been removed and will be moved to the new chassis. The purchase price of the new vehicle was $50,600.

After review and discussion, it was motioned by Director Blackwell, seconded by Director Smith and carried, by the following Roll Call Vote, that the Purchase of 2019 Dodge Ram 5500 Cab and Chassis be ratified.

AYES:   4 Watkins, Blackwell, Smith, Gaugel
NOES:   0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 1 Miller

A Draft Operations Report, as submitted by Mr. Schafer, is still under staff review with comments to be presented at August Board Meeting.

ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION – The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:08 a.m. to Closed Session.

K. Closed Session:
   1) To confer with legal counsel regarding pending litigation under authority of Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(2) (one matter) (d)(4) (four matters).
   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

L. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION – The Board returned to Open Session at approximately 10:23 a.m. It was announced that no action was taken in Closed Session that required disclosure under the Brown Act at this time.

M. ADJOURNMENT – The Board meeting adjourned at 10:24 a.m. The next regular CWD Board Meeting is set for Thursday, August 13, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

[Signature]
Brian Blackwell, Board Secretary