

**CAWELO WATER DISTRICT
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING**

**17207 Industrial Farm Road, Bakersfield CA 93308
Public Participation Possible via Zoom 1-(669)-900-6833
Meeting ID: 834 0275 0912 / Passcode: 897566**

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Thursday, June 16, 2022 - 9:00 a.m.

MINUTES

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Keith Watkins, Mark Smith, John Gaugel, Spencer Birch
DIRECTORS ABSENT: Eric Robbins
STAFF PRESENT: David Ansolabehere, Dave Halopoff, LeeAnn Giles, Celynn Lyman
LEGAL COUNSEL: Robert Hartsock
OTHER ATTENDEES: Bruce Kelsey

A. CALL TO ORDER

The Board Meeting was called to order by President Watkins at approximately 9:01 a.m.

B. APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

Minutes of the Board meeting for May 12, 2022 were presented for approval.

After review and discussion, **it was motioned by Director Birch, seconded by Director Gaugel and unanimously carried, that the minutes from May 12, 2022** be approved as presented.

C. TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's Report for the month of May, 2022 was presented by District Controller, Ms. Giles. Balances for May were as follows:

General Funds	5,571,792.12
Construction Funds	546,091.60
Reserved Funds	<u>3,129,408.77</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	9,247,292.49
Receipts for April 2022	2,818,813.91
Manual Cash Disbursements	5,360.92
Net Revenue through April	15,005,2163.35
Total Expenses through April	<u>8,877,003.53</u>
NET REVENUE / <LOSS>	6,128,159.82

After review and discussion, **it was motioned by Director Smith, seconded by Director Birch, and unanimously carried, that the Treasurer's Report from May, 2022** be approved as presented.

D. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

District Controller, Ms. Giles, presented the Accounts Payable report for the month of May, 2022. The report covered checks 33798 through 33853 issued June 15, 2022 in the amount of \$3,421,240.46; Manual disbursements covered ACH debits totaling \$5,360.92.

After review and discussion, **it was motioned by Director Gaugel, seconded by Director Smith and unanimously carried, that the Accounts Payable from May, 2022** be approved as presented.

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

F. REPORTS

1) PROJECTS

a. North Kern Transportation Agreement

- i. Status of Project:** Mr. Ansolabehere reported that he has spoken with the North Kern Water Storage District Manager and the information provided is still being reviewed.

b. Well Equipping Project

- i. Status of Project:** Mr. Ansolabehere reported Well #17 is operational on generator power. Well #16 has been installed but will not have power until mid-August when the solar project is complete and interconnected with PG&E.

c. Friant-Kern Canal Pump Station

- i. Status of Project:** Mr. Ansolabehere reported that drawings will be provided to USBR and Friant Water Authority for review and comment. The District is working with electrical switchgear and starter manufacturers on 480V and 4,160V alternatives.

2) ILRP

- a. Coalition Update** – In addition to providing a written report, Mr. Halopoff provided updates on the Annual Member Invoices, Groundwater Protection Formulas, Values and Targets, Central Valley Groundwater Monitoring Collaborative (CVGMC), CV-SALTS, and the South San Joaquin Valley Management Practices Evaluation Program (SSJV MPEP). Mr. Halopoff did advise that the 2022 1st Quarter Surface Water Monitoring Report for Poso Creek was submitted to the Regional Board June 1, 2022.

3) Sustainable Groundwater Management Act Update

- a. Local SGMA Activities** – No report at this time.

4) Financial and Personnel

- a) **Employee Compensation** – No report at this time.

5) SWP

- a) **Delta Conveyance Project (DCP)** – No report at this time.
b) **KCWA and Related SWP Matters** – No report at this time.

G. ATTORNEY’S REPORT

- 1) **Attorney Fee Schedule – effective July 1, 2022** –Mr. Hartsock advised that attorney fees have not been increased in three years and are scheduled for and increase effective July 1, 2022.

After review and discussion, **it was motioned by Directed Gaugel, seconded by Director Birch and unanimously carried, that the Attorney Fee Schedule** be approved as presented.

H. ENGINEER’S REPORT

- 1) **USBR WaterSMART – Drought Resiliency Projects FY2023 Grant Application** – Mr. Halopoff reported that USBR’s WaterSMART FY 2023 Grant Application was submitted June 15, 2022. The proposed project totaled approximately \$10.4m and \$5m in funding was requested.

I. MANAGER’S REPORT

- 1) **Water Deliveries/Supplies** into the District for May 2022 were as follows:

	<u>Ac-Ft Delivered</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Supplies Received	4,857	17,153
Landowner Deliveries	4,984	14,140
East Poso Basin Recharge	0	962
Famoso Basin Recharge	0	1,690
System Loss/Operational Recharge	- 97	- 712
Diversion from Poso Creek		
To Famoso Basin Banking	0	0
Percolation losses Creek Channel	0	0
Poso Creek Water Passed Trenton Weir	0	0

Produced Water Deliveries for the month of May 2022 were as follows:

Chevron	35.5 cfs per day (2,115 ac-ft.)
CRC/Bell Aire	8.1 cfs per day (482 ac-ft.)

2) System Operations & Maintenance:

Copper sulfate applications to the distribution canal and reservoirs continue as needed. Meter repairs are still being conducted throughout the District.

3) Solar Project Update:

Mr. Ansolabehere reported that the Solar Project is on schedule and approximately 2/3 of the panels are installed. Inverters should be delivered by the fourth week of June. Well #16 construction is complete and will be provided power from the Solar Project. Well #16 will not be energized until PG&E has inspected and provided authorization to interconnect the facility, which is anticipated near the end of August 2022.

ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION – The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:30 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 (a) California Department of Water Resources v All Persons Interested, Sac. Sup. Ct. No. 34-2020-00283112; Rosedale-Rio Bravo Water Storage District v KCWA, KCSC BCV-21-100418; (d)(2)(3) (two matters) and (d)(4) (three 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) Real Property Purposes; Storage/Well Sites**
- 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 at approximately 10:25 a.m. It was announced that no action was taken in Closed Session that would require disclosure under the Brown Act at this time.

L. ADJOURNMENT – The Board meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m. The next regular CWD Board Meeting is set for Thursday, July 14, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.



John Gaugel, CWD Board Secretary