

CAWELO WATER DISTRICT

BOARD MEETING

17207 Industrial Farm Road, Bakersfield CA 93308
Public Participation Possible via Zoom 1-(669)-900-6833

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Thursday, November 10, 2022 - 9:00 a.m.

MINUTES

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Keith Watkins, John Gaugel, Spencer Birch

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Mark Smith, Eric Robbins

STAFF PRESENT: Dave Halopoff, LeeAnn Giles, Celynn Lyman

STAFF ABSENT: David Ansolabehere

LEGAL COUNSEL: Robert Hartsock

OTHER ATTENDEES: Jessica Bertao, Kevin Padway, Cody Tolbert

A. CALL TO ORDER

The Board Meeting was called to order by President Watkins at 9:05 a.m.

B. APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

Minutes of the Board meeting for October 13, 2022 were presented for approval.

After review and discussion, **it was motioned by Director Gaugel, seconded by Director Birch and unanimously carried, *that the minutes from October 13, 2022 be approved as presented.***

C. TREASURER'S REPORT

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

General Funds	537,099.09
Construction Funds	347,027.93
Reserved Funds	<u>4,938,921.76</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	5,823,048.78
Receipts for October 2022	1,058,266.12
Manual Cash Disbursements	243,000.56
Net Revenue through October	20,685,416.00
Total Expenses through October	<u>18,857,392.00</u>
NET REVENUE / <LOSS>	1,828,024.00

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

1) Adopt 2023 Budget and Set 2023 Water Rates – Resolution No. 708

After review and discussion, **it was motioned by Director Gaugel, seconded by Director Birch and unanimously carried by the following roll call vote, that Resolution No. 708 – Adopt 2023 Budget and Set 2023 Water Rates,** be approved as presented.

AYES:	3	Watkins, Gaugel, Birch
NOES:	0	
ABSTAIN:	0	
ABSENT:	2	Smith, Robbins

D. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

District Controller, Ms. Giles, presented the Accounts Payable report for the month of October 2022. The report covered checks 34153 through 34190 issued November 9, 2022 in the amount of \$565,291.74; Manual disbursements covered checks 34087, 34089, 34090, 34151, 34152 and ACH debits totaling \$243,000.56.

After review and discussion, **it was motioned by Director Birch, seconded by Director Gaugel and unanimously carried, that the Accounts Payable from October, 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: No update at this time.

b. Well Equipping Project

i. Status of Project: Mr. Halopoff reported that District Staff is working with PG&E to schedule a preconstruction meeting for Well #17 and working with a District Landowner for the power pole easement. Well #16 will have power once PG&E completes the final inspection for the solar facility, which is anticipated by the end of November.

c. Friant-Kern Canal Pump Station

i. Ratify Friant-Kern Canal Turnout/In and Appurtenances Bid Recommendation and Award: Mr. Halopoff reported that Bids were received on October 21, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. with W.M. Lyles identified as the apparent low bidder in the amount of

\$1,260,615.00 submitting all appropriate bid documents, being reviewed and verified by Dee Jaspar & Associates.

After review and discussion, **it was motioned by Director Birch, seconded by Director Gaugel and unanimously carried, that the Board ratify the acceptance of the bid and the award of the Friant-Kern Canal Turnout/In and Appurtenances Contract to W.M. Lyles Co.**

- ii. **Status of Project:** Mr. Halopoff reported that a pre-construction meeting was held on November 1, 2022 with District Staff, W.M. Lyles Co., and Dee Jaspar & Associates. The turnout/in construction portion of the Project will coincide with the winter shutdown of the Friant-Kern Canal. W.M. Lyles Co. will mobilize November 29, 2022. Construction of the turnout/in has been approved by the USBR and the Friant Water Authority.

2) ILRP

- a. **Coalition Update** – In addition to providing a written report, Mr. Halopoff provided updates on Groundwater Protection Formulas, Values, and Targets (GWP), and CV-SALTS.

3) Sustainable Groundwater Management Act Update

- a. **Local SGMA Activities** –
 - (i) **Two Additional LandIQ ETa Stations:** Mr. Halopoff reported LandIQ has two (2) additional ET measurement stations that need to be installed in the District and District Staff is currently working on potential installation locations.
 - (ii) **Landowner Reports Update:** Mr. Halopoff also reported that District Staff is working with LandIQ to develop a template for ET reporting to be provided to District Landowners on a quarterly basis.

4) Financial and Personnel

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

5) SWP

- a. **Delta Conveyance Project (DCP)** – Mr. Halopoff reported that there is a KCWA meeting later today to provide updates on the DCP Design and Construction Authority, and the public comment period for the administrative draft of the environmental impact report has been extended to December 2022.
- b. **KCWA and Related SWP Matters** – No report at this time.

G. ATTORNEY’S REPORT – No report at this time.

H. ENGINEER’S REPORT – No report at this time.

I. MANAGER'S REPORT

1) Water Deliveries/Supplies into the District for October 2022 were as follows:

	<u>Ac-Ft Delivered</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Supplies Received	4,041	52,053
Landowner Deliveries	3,022	46,576
East Poso Basin Recharge	0	962
Famoso Basin Recharge	0	1,690
System Loss/Operational Recharge	- 202	- 2,614
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 October 2022 were as follows:

Chevron	30.4 cfs per day (1,813 ac-ft.)
CRC/Bell Aire	8.7 cfs per day (518 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) Recovery for Zone 7:

Mr. Halopoff reported that since operations started again in October 2022, the Zone 7 recovery is approximately 975 AF and will continue through November 15, 2022. As of November 15, 2022 the District will have recovered approximately 9,000 AF for Zone 7.

ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION – The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:50 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 10:20 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 10:20 a.m. The next regular CWD Board Meeting is set for Thursday, December 8, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.



John Gaugel, CWD Board Secretary