

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, May 9, 2024 - 9:00 a.m.

MINUTES

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Keith Watkins, Mark Smith, John Gaugel, Spencer Birch, Jeremy Blackwell

STAFF PRESENT: David Ansolabehere, Dave Halopoff, LeeAnn Giles, Celynn Lyman

LEGAL COUNSEL: Isaac St. Lawrence

OTHER ATTENDEES: Craig Bono, Bruce Kelsey, Sonia Lemus, John Ocana, Parker Rous, (661) 809-2659

A. CALL TO ORDER

The Board Meeting was called to order by President Watkins at 10:00 a.m.

B. APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

Minutes of the CWD Board meeting for April 11, 2024 were presented for approval.

After review and discussion, **it was motioned by Director Birch, seconded by Director Blackwell and unanimously carried, that the minutes from April 11, 2024** be approved as presented.

C. TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's Report for the month of April, 2024 was presented by Controller, LeeAnn Giles. Balances for April were as follows:

General Funds	3,024,824.45
Construction Funds	5,352,005.59
Reserved Funds	<u>1,645,590.71</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	10,022,420.75
Receipts for April 2024	680,434.57
Manual Cash Disbursements	147,083.22
Net Revenue through April	15,393,909.41
Total Expenses through April	<u>8,207,022.13</u>
NET REVENUE / <LOSS>	7,186,887.28

After review and discussion, **it was motioned by Director Birch, seconded by Director Smith and unanimously carried, that the Treasurer's Report for the month of April, 2024** be approved as presented.

D. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Controller, LeeAnn Giles, presented the Accounts Payable report for the month of April, 2024. The report covered checks 35169 through 351217 issued April 10, 2024 in the amount of \$1,173,331.18; Manual disbursements included checks 35106 through 35109, 35166, 35168, and ACH debits totaling \$147,083.22.

After review and discussion, **it was motioned by Director Smith, seconded by Director Blackwell and unanimously carried, that the Accounts Payable from April, 2024** 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. Friant-Kern Canal Pump Station

- i. Status of Project:** Nothing to report at this time.
- ii. Pump Station Construction:** Mr. Ansolabehere reported that PG&E has approved the WESCO electrical switchgear submittals and District staff is preparing review comments to provide to WESCO.

b. Poso Creek 2023 Flood Emergency Repairs

- i. Repairs Status:** Mr. Ansolabehere reported that 2023 Poso Creek Flood Emergency Repairs are underway and will continue until completed. FEMA and Cal-OES submittals are in process and continuing as requests are made. It was further reported that the District has received the initial CAL-OES reimbursement for emergency work on Poso Creek.

2) ILRP

- a. Coalition Update** – In addition to providing a written report, Mr. Halopoff provided updates on CWDC Annual Member Reporting, Groundwater Protection (GWP) Formulas, Values and Targets, CV-SALTS Nitrate Control Program, South San Joaquin Valley Management Practices Evaluation Program, the CWDC Comprehensive Groundwater Quality Management Plan (CGQMP), and the CWDC 2023 Groundwater Quality Trend Monitoring Report.

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)** – Mr. Ansolabehere reported that the updated cost estimate and modeling is expected by the end of May 2024.

- b. KCWA and Related SWP Matters** – Mr. Ansolabehere reported that the DWR allocation has increased to 40%.

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 April 2024 were as follows:

	<u>Ac-Ft Delivered</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Supplies Received	4,430	12,431
Landowner Deliveries	4,289	8,218
East Poso Basin Recharge	156	1,336
Famoso Basin Recharge	174	2,518
System Loss/Operational Recharge	- 222	- 533
Diversion from Poso Creek		
To Famoso Basin Banking	0	0
Percolation losses Creek Channel	54	1,264
Poso Creek Water Passed Trenton Weir	228	5,987

Produced Water Deliveries for the month of April 2024 were as follows:

Chevron	33.0 cfs per day (1,968 ac-ft.)
CRC/Bell Aire	6.6 cfs per day (395 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. District staff completed clearing Poso Reservoir of vegetation. The Geo-SCADA Modernization has been completed, and the program is operational. Geo-SCADA will continue to be monitored and debugged prior to fully transitioning.

- 3) Bond Sale Update:**

Mr. Ansolabehere reported that District Staff has met with Wells Fargo Financial Group to initiate the bond sale and update the financial schedule. The proposed schedule is based on anticipated information needed for the Preliminary Official Statement.

ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION – The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:26 a.m. to Closed Session.

J. CLOSED SESSION:

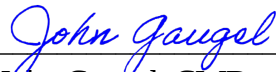
- 1) To confer with legal counsel regarding pending litigation under authority of Government Code Section 54956.9 (a) California Department of Water Resources v All Persons Interested, Sac. Sup. Ct. No. 34-2020-00283112; Rosedale-Rio Bravo

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 10:42 a.m. District Legal Counsel 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 10:42 a.m. The next regular CWD Board Meeting is set for Thursday, June 13, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.



John Gaugel, CWD Board Secretary