

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, June 13, 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: Ty Alexander, Rhett Anderson, Corey Axelrod, Matt Brady, Unknown Guest, Vasilisa Gorbolskaya, Helena Holmberg, Bruce Kelsey, Sonia Lemus, K. Padway, Parker Rous

A. CALL TO ORDER

The Board Meeting was called to order by President Watkins at 9:19 a.m.

B. APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

Minutes of the CWD Board meeting for May 9, 2024 were presented for approval.

After review and discussion, **it was motioned by Director Blackwell, seconded by Director Smith and unanimously carried, that the minutes from May 9, 2024** be approved as presented.

C. TREASURER'S REPORT

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

General Funds	3,781,277.88
Construction Funds	5,352,256.88
Reserved Funds	<u>1,640,069.93</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	10,773,604.69
Receipts for May 2024	680,434.57
Manual Cash Disbursements	147,083.22
Net Revenue through May	15,393,909.41
Total Expenses through May	<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 Blackwell and unanimously carried, that the Treasurer's Report for the month of May, 2024** be approved as presented.

D. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Controller, LeeAnn Giles, presented the Accounts Payable report for the month of May, 2024. The report covered checks 35291 through 35344 issued June 12, 2024 in the amount of \$1,948,826.83; Manual disbursements included checks 35284 through 35289 and ACH debits totaling \$84,787.89.

After review and discussion, **it was motioned by Director Smith, seconded by Director Gaugel and unanimously carried, that the Accounts Payable from May, 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 has prepared review comments and provided them 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 review of submittals continuing. The District received obligation notice from FEMA and are awaiting payments. Additional construction phases will begin as FEMA and Cal-OES reimbursements are received.

2) ILRP

- a. **Coalition Update** – In addition to providing a written report, Mr. Halopoff provided updates on CWDC Annual Member Invoices, 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 2024 1st Quarter Surface Water Monitoring Report.

3) Sustainable Groundwater Management Act Update

- a. **Local SGMA Activities** – No report at this time.
- b. **Landowner Groundwater Recharge and Banking Program Agreement**

After review and discussion, **it was motioned by Director Gaugel, seconded by Director Smith and unanimously carried, that the Landowner Groundwater Recharge and Banking Program Agreement**, be approved subject to the changes noted by District staff and legal counsel at the meeting.

4) Financial and Personnel

- a. **Employee Compensation** – No report at this time.
- b. **Violence Prevention Policy**

After review and discussion, **it was motioned by Director Blackwell, seconded by Director Birch and unanimously carried, that the Workplace Violence Prevention Policy**, be approved subject to modification by District staff and legal counsel as they deem necessary.

5) SWP

- a. **Delta Conveyance Project (DCP)** – Mr. Ansolabehere presented the 2024 Delta Conveyance Project updated cost estimate and modeling prepared by DWR Staff.
- b. **KCWA and Related SWP Matters** – Mr. Ansolabehere reported that the DWR allocation remains at 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 May 2024 were as follows:

	<u>Ac-Ft Delivered</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Supplies Received	8,261	21,204
Landowner Deliveries	7,994	16,211
East Poso Basin Recharge	0	1,336
Famoso Basin Recharge	0	2,518
System Loss/Operational Recharge	- 165	- 724
Diversion from Poso Creek		
To Famoso Basin Banking	0	0
Percolation losses Creek Channel	92	1,356
Poso Creek Water Passed Trenton Weir	534	6,521

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

Chevron	34.2 cfs per day (2,035 ac-ft.)
CRC/Bell Aire	7.1 cfs per day (425 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

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completed, and the program is operational. Geo-SCADA will continue to be monitored and debugged prior to fully transitioning.

3) CVC Advisory Committee Alternate Appointment:

After review and discussion, **it was motioned by Director Blackwell, seconded by Director Birch and unanimously carried, that Dave Halopoff be appointed as the CVC Advisory Committee Alternate.**

ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION – The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:19 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 10:35 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 10:35 a.m. The next regular CWD Board Meeting is set for Thursday, July 11, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.



John Gaugel, CWD Board Secretary