

SAN GORGONIO PASS WATER AGENCY
1210 Beaumont Avenue, Beaumont, California 92223
Minutes of the
Board of Directors Meeting
March 16, 2015

Teleconference Location: 10213 Overland Trail
Cherry Valley, CA 92223

Directors Present: John Jeter, President
Bill Dickson, Vice President
Mary Ann Melleby, Treasurer
Blair Ball, Director
Ron Duncan, Director
Ray Morris, Director (via teleconference)
Leonard Stephenson, Director

Staff Present: Jeff Davis, General Manager
Jeff Ferré, General Counsel
Tom Todd, Jr., Finance Manager
Ken Falls, Operations and Maintenance Manager

1. **Call to Order, Flag Salute and Roll Call:** The meeting of the San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency Board of Directors was called to order by Board President John Jeter at 1:30 p.m., March 16, 2015 in the Agency Boardroom at 1210 Beaumont Avenue, Beaumont, California. Director Dickson led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. A quorum was present.
2. **Statement Regarding Teleconferencing:** General Counsel Jeff Ferré made the following statement: "This Board meeting is conducted pursuant to California Government Code Section 54953, in that one member of the Board will be participating in this Board meeting by speaker phone. In accordance with the Brown Act, the teleconference location has been identified in the notice and agenda for this meeting. I will now ask the Board Secretary to conduct roll call, after which I will confirm certain matters for the record".
3. **Roll Call:**

<u>Roll Call:</u>	Present	Absent
Director Stephenson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director Ball (arrived at 1:39 p.m.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director Morris	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director Melleby	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director Duncan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director Dickson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
President Jeter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

4. **Procedures for holding Meeting at the Teleconference Location:** General Counsel Ferré confirmed with Director Morris that he in fact was able to hear the proceedings; that he had a copy of the March 16, 2015 Board Meeting Agenda; that the agenda was posted at his location, and that the location was accessible to the public. Director Morris responded in the affirmative to all such questions. General Counsel Ferré asked the attending board members if they were able to hear Director Morris. The board members responded that they could indeed hear him. General Counsel Ferré turned the meeting over to President Jeter.
5. **Adoption and Adjustment of the Agenda:** President Jeter asked if there were any adjustments to the agenda. There being none the agenda was adopted as presented.
6. **Public Comment:** President Jeter asked the members of the public for comments. No members of the public requested to speak at this time.
7. **Consent Calendar:**
 - A. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, March 2, 2015
 - B. Approval of the Minutes of the Engineering Workshop, March 9, 2015

Director Dickson moved, seconded by Director Duncan, to approve the consent calendar as presented.

President Jeter requested a roll call.

<u>Roll Call:</u>	Aye	Noes	Absent	Abstain
Director Stephenson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director Ball	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director Morris	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director Melleby	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director Duncan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director Dickson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
President Jeter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Motion carried 6-0.

8. Reports:

A. General Manager's Report:

(1) Operations Report: General Manager Davis reported on the following: **SWP Water Deliveries:** There were no deliveries due to shut down.

(2) General Agency Updates: Draft Nexus Study for Capacity Fee: General Manager Davis asked the Board when it would prefer to have a workshop to discuss the Draft Nexus Study. President Jeter approved Monday, March 30, 2015 at 1:30 p.m. at the Agency.

B. General Counsel Report: General Counsel Ferré reported to the Board on the following topics: **(1) Conservation Rules:** The March hearing of the SWRCB on Conservation Rules extended the rules to January of 2016 and added additional ones. **(2) CEQA Compliance Exceptions:** There are recent court decisions that affect CEQA. CEQA law is constantly changing.

C. Directors Reports: (1) Director Melleby gave a report on the following board meetings attended: a) SBVMWD b) BCVWD. She also reported the PPIC released a report with dry year management suggestions.

9. New Business: (Discussion and Possible Action)

A. Consideration of Contracting with Kennedy Jenks Consultants to Produce 2015 Urban Water Management Plan: General Manager Davis reviewed the staff report. After discussion, Director Dickson moved, seconded by Director Melleby, that the contract with Kennedy Jenks be approved.

President Jeter requested a roll call vote.

<u>Roll Call:</u>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Noes</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
Director Stephenson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director Ball	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Director Duncan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director Dickson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
President Jeter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Motion carried 6-1.

B. Consideration of Amending Contract with Roy McDonald to Complete EIR for Whitewater Flume Removal: General Manager Davis reviewed recent actions that have taken place, and the events that have happened as a result of these actions. He reviewed the approximate additional cost, about \$30,000. After discussion, Director Dickson moved, seconded by Director Duncan, that the motion be tabled until such time as Legal Counsel can contact City of Banning legal counsel for clarification of some issues.

President Jeter requested a roll call vote.

<u>Roll Call:</u>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Noes</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
Director Stephenson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Director Duncan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director Dickson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
President Jeter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Motion carried 7-0.

C. Consideration of Gathering Data for Petitioning Department of Water Resources to Amend Boundaries of San Gorgonio Groundwater Basin: General Manager Davis stated that DWR has not established the necessary guidelines for changing groundwater basins, but he recommends that the Agency be prepared to request changes to the currently established boundaries of the San Gorgonio Groundwater Basin when they become available. After discussion, Director Dickson moved, seconded by Director Ball, to authorize the General Manager to gather information about what would need to be done in order to change the boundaries of the San Gorgonio Groundwater Basin.

President Jeter requested a roll call:

<u>Roll Call:</u>	Aye	Noes	Absent	Abstain
Director Stephenson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Director Dickson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
President Jeter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Motion carried 7-0.

D. Consideration of Authorizing General Manager to begin Discussions with San Bernardino Valley MWD and Eastern MWD regarding Groundwater Sustainability Agency for San Timoteo Groundwater Basin: General Manager Davis reviewed information that was contained in the staff report and emphasized the new Sustainable Groundwater Management Act has an aggressive timetable for implementation. In light of this, Staff is recommending beginning discussions with these two agencies initially soon, and other parties if they are interested as discussions progress. After discussion, a motion was made by Director Melleby, seconded by Director Dickson, to authorize Staff to start talks with other agencies.

President Jeter requested a roll call:

<u>Roll Call:</u>	Aye	Noes	Absent	Abstain
Director Stephenson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director Ball	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Director Duncan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director Dickson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
President Jeter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Motion carried 7-0.

E. Discussion Regarding Development of Board Handbook: General Manager Davis reviewed information that was contained in the staff report and asked the Board for their input. Director Dickson suggested the Board needs to discuss the issue. Director Melleby suggested that this might be suitable for an ad hoc committee. After further discussion, President Jeter asked that the matter be put on the agenda for the next meeting so that he can appoint such an ad hoc committee.

F. Consideration of Joining the Basin Monitoring Program Task Force: General Manager Davis briefly reviewed Agency actions to date, and asked the Board for authorization to write a letter to the Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board so the Agency could be included in the Basin Monitoring Program Task Force. After further discussion, Director Duncan moved, seconded by Director Dickson, to direct the General Manager to write a letter to the Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board for inclusion in the Basin Monitoring Program Task Force.

President Jeter requested a roll call:

<u>Roll Call:</u>	Aye	Noes	Absent	Abstain
Director Stephenson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director Ball	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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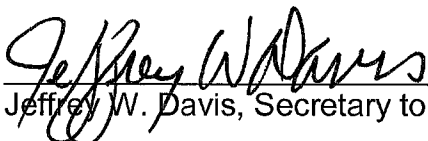
Motion carried 7-0.

10. Topics for Future Agendas: There were no topics for future agendas given at this time.

11. Announcements: *President Jeter reviewed the following announcements:*

- A. Finance and Budget Workshop, March 23, 2015 at 1:30 p.m.
- B. San Geronio Pass Regional Water Alliance – Technical Committee Meeting
March 25, 2015 at 4:30 p.m. – Banning City Hall Conference Room
- C. San Geronio Pass Regional Water Alliance Meeting March 25, 2015 at
6:00 p.m. – Banning City Hall Conference Room
- D. Regular Board Meeting, April 6, 2015 at 1:30 p.m.
- E. Capacity Fee Nexus Workshop, March 30, 2015 at 1:30 p.m.

12. Adjournment: *President Jeter adjourned the meeting at 3:11 p.m.*



Jeffrey W. Davis, Secretary to the Board