

SAN GORGONIO PASS WATER AGENCY
1210 Beaumont Avenue, Beaumont, California 92223
Minutes of the
Board of Directors Meeting
April 18, 2016

Directors Present: John Jeter, President
Bill Dickson, Vice President
Mary Ann Melleby, Treasurer
Blair Ball, Director
Ron Duncan, Director
David Fenn, Director
Leonard Stephenson, Director

Staff Present: Jeff Davis, General Manager
Jeff Ferré, General Counsel
Tom Todd, Jr., Finance 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 7:00 p.m., April 18, 2016 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. **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 published.
3. **Public Comment:** President Jeter asked if there were any members of the public that wished to make a public comment on items that are within the jurisdiction of the Agency. Alan Davis, of the Cabazon Water District, asked where we had purchased the Board room chairs. Staff will research the question and send him the information.
4. **Consent Calendar:**
 - A. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, April 4, 2016
 - B. Approval of the Minutes of the Engineering Workshop, April 11, 2016Director Dickson made a motion, seconded by Director Duncan, to adopt the consent calendar as presented. President Jeter requested a vote. Motion passed 7-0.
5. **Reports:**

A. General Manager's Report:

(1) Report on Water Supply Conditions: General Manager Davis reported on the storage conditions as of last week, April 11th. Lake Oroville storage level was 92% full, about 3.2 MAF. Today, April 18, the level was 93%, about 3.285 MAF. It is expected that the storage level will continue to rise. The storage level for San Luis Reservoir as of April 11th was 50%, a little over 1 MAF. About 70% of this belongs to the SWP. San Luis Reservoir is not as full as it could be, because of the difficulty of getting water through the Delta.

(2) Operations Report: General Manager Davis reported to the Board that 508 AF of water was delivered through noon today. He expects the Agency will be able to deliver 1,100 AF this month, which will be a record for the Agency. A flow rate of over 18 cfs is necessary to achieve this delivery amount. Because the flow rate is exceeding our

purchased capacity, we will be paying a wheeling fee to SBVMWD for flow rates over 16 cfs.

(3) General Agency Updates: **1) State Water Resources Control Board:** Retailers throughout the state are concerned about the conservation regulations currently in place, and the decisions the State Water Resources Control Board will make at its May meeting. The SWRCB will have a workshop for public input on April 20. ACWA has written a letter to the SWRCB asking for changes in the regulations. The Brown Administration is considering more local-driven governance, and is re-thinking the 20% reduction by 2020. **2) Whitewater Flume:** General Manager Davis stated that a number of meetings are taking place in the next couple of weeks, so he had no update at this time. Some good things seem to be happening, so he is optimistic that progress is being made. **3) 1st Annual Volunteer Awards Breakfast:** General Manager Davis told the Board that the County is holding its first annual volunteer awards breakfast, and that Ray Morris will be honored posthumously for his efforts with the Municipal Advisory Committee (MAC), that meets on a quarterly basis in the Agency Board room. **4) Sites Reservoir:** General Manager Davis reported that there is a huge amount of interest in the Sites Reservoir. A meeting will be held by the joint powers authority associated with the project on May 9. Because of the large amount of interest, General Manager Davis suggested the Board may want to be prepared to take action quickly after that meeting, if it is interested in participating in the project.

B. General Counsel Report: General Counsel Jeff Ferré said he would make his comments during the closed session.

C. Directors Reports: **1) Director Melleby** attended the Beaumont Chamber of Commerce breakfast and read excerpts from an article that appeared in the Sacramento Bee. She suggested that all the Directors might be interested in reading the article, and General Manager Davis said he would make it available to anyone interested in it. **2) Director Ball** reported on the BCVWD meeting, that the matter of the facilitated discussion was tabled. **3) President Jeter** attended his sister's funeral, and reported that no one from her Sunday School class came, because she had outlived them all.

6. New Business: (Discussion and Possible Action)

A. Review Document from March Water Alliance Meeting: Director Melleby reviewed the major points of the guiding principles of the San Geronio Pass Regional Water Alliance. This version improved "Givens #5" to read: 'Regional objectives may need to supersede individual agency priorities.' Previous wording suggested 'common good,' which did not seem clear enough. Director Melleby suggested adding "resource management" to "Agreed upon group goals: #2" to read 'To develop and promote common **resource management** strategies that will . . .' Director Melleby made a motion, seconded by Director Fenn, to take this wording back to the Alliance for submission at its next meeting. Motion passed 7-0.

7. Topics for Future Agendas: No suggestions were made.

8. Announcements: President Jeter reviewed the following announcements:

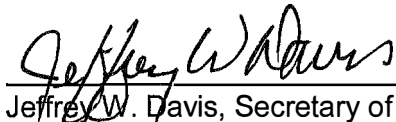
- A. Finance and Budget Workshop, April 25, 2016 at 4:00 pm
- B. San Geronio Pass Regional Water Alliance, April 27, 2016

1. Business Meeting at 5:00 pm – Banning City Hall Conference Room
 2. Presentation at 6:00 pm – Banning City Council Chambers
- C. Regular Board Meeting, May 2, 2016 at 7:00 pm

- 9. Adjournment to Closed Session:** President Jeter adjourned the meeting at 7:30 pm to Closed Session for a conference with legal counsel to discuss anticipated litigation: (1) significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d), and (2) initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d), of Government Code Section 54956.9.

The meeting reconvened at 8:12 pm. Legal Counsel Jeff Ferré reported that the Board considered the matters listed on the agenda. No action was taken that is reportable under the Brown Act.

- 10. Adjournment:** President Jeter adjourned the meeting at 8:12 pm.



Jeffrey W. Davis, Secretary of the Board