

SAN GORGONIO PASS WATER AGENCY
1210 Beaumont Avenue, Beaumont, California 92223
Minutes of the
Board of Directors Meeting
April 2, 2018

Directors Present: David Fenn, President
Ron Duncan, Vice President
Lenny Stephenson, Treasurer
Blair Ball, Director
David Castaldo, Director
Stephen Lehtonen, Director
Michael Thompson, Director

Staff Present: Jeff Davis, General Manager
Jeff Ferre, General Counsel
Thomas Todd, Finance Manager
Cheryle Stiff, Executive Assistant

1. **Call to Order, Flag Salute, Invocation, and Roll Call:** The meeting of the San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency Board of Directors was called to order by Board President Fenn at 1:30 p.m., April 2, 2018 in the Agency Boardroom at 1210 Beaumont Avenue, Beaumont, California. President Fenn led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Director Thompson gave the invocation. A quorum was present.
2. **Adoption and Adjustment of Agenda:** *President Fenn asked if there were any adjustments to the agenda.* General Manager Davis stated there were no adjustments to the agenda. There being none, the agenda was adopted as published.
3. **Public Comment:** *President Fenn 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 that are not on today's agenda.* Libi Uremovic commented on the Agency's Nickel water purchase.
4. **Consent Calendar:**
 - A. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, March 19, 2018
 - B. Approval of the Minutes of the Finance and Budget Workshop, March 26, 2018
 - C. Approval of the Finance and Budget Workshop Report, March 26, 2018

President Fenn asked for a motion on the Consent Calendar. Director Stephenson made a motion, seconded by Director Duncan, to adopt the consent calendar as presented. Motion passed 7-0.

5. Reports:

A. General Manager's Report:

(1) Operations Report: (a) SWP Water Deliveries: As of 6:00 am today the Agency is back online delivering water after a month long shutdown in March. **(b) Pumping:** The work schedule for pumping at Crafton is two 9-hour shifts per day, pumping for 18 hours a day. Cherry Valley Pump Station will be pumping 24/7. There is 8041 acre-feet currently available to deliver. The Agency is in negotiations to purchase additional water from other sources this year.

(2) Water Supply Conditions: General Manager Davis reviewed with the Board DWR reports on precipitation for the Northern Sierra, San Joaquin Valley, and Tulare Lake Basin. He also reviewed the California's snow water content, reservoir conditions, and storage levels.

(3) General Agency Updates: (a) California WaterFix: General Manager Davis stated that the CWF is moving forward; there may be ground breaking sometime this year. (b) SGMA Update: The next meeting for the San Geronio Pass GSA is scheduled for next week. (c) The second bi-monthly manager's meeting was held on March 20th. Topics of discussion included issues that the Conservation and Education Committee wanted to be discussed, water rates, and a potential extension of service to Cabazon. Next meeting is scheduled for May.

B. General Counsel Report: General Counsel Jeff Ferre stated that he had nothing to report.

C. Directors Reports: (1) President Fenn remarked that the he made a couple of committee changes. Director Thompson will no longer be on the Finance and Budget committee, he is now the Vice Chair of the Strategic Planning Committee. President Fenn is no longer on the Strategic Planning Committee; he is now the Vice Chair of the Finance and Budget Committee.

6. New Business:

A. Consideration of Election of Local Agency Formation Committee (LAFCO) and County Oversight Board Election: A staff report, ballot instructions, and two letters of support, (one for Phil Williams and the other for Angel Garcia), an email (Phil Williams), a letter of support for Russ Martin written by Arden Wallum (General Manager of MSWD), and a bio from Russ Martin were included in the agenda packet. President Fenn called upon Angel Garcia for his public comment. Mr. Garcia provided his background information and a brief description of what can be expected of him as a LAFCO Board member. President Fenn explained the ballot process. The three candidates are, Phil Williams (Director LAFCO and EVMWD), Angel Garcia (Rancho California Water District), and David Hoffman (BCVWD). Director Ball made a motion, seconded by Director Castaldo, to elected Hoffman 1, Garcia 2, and Williams 3.

After discussion, President Fenn requested a roll call vote.

| <u>Roll Call:</u> | Aye | Noes | Absent | Abstain |
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| Director Stephenson | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Director Ball | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Director Lehtonen | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Director Castaldo | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Director Duncan | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Director Thompson | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| President Fenn | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Motion failed 5-2, with Directors Stephenson, Lehtonen, Duncan, Thompson and President Fenn opposed.

Director Stephenson made motion, seconded by Director Duncan, to elect Garcia 1, Hoffman 2, and Williams 3.

President Fenn requested a roll call vote.

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

Motion passed 7-0.

President Fenn stated that there are five candidates for the RDA Oversight Board. Director Ball made a motion, seconded by Director Duncan, to elect Russ Martin. Motion passed 7-0

B. Correspondence with Beaumont Cherry Valley Water District: The Board had requested to see a copy of a letter that was sent by BCVWD to the Agency dated March 1, 2018, regarding the SWP water deliveries to Noble Creek Recharge Facility, and a copy of the response letter from General Manager Davis dated March 22, 2018. General Manager Davis noted that he and General Manager Doug Headrick (SBVMWD) met to compose the response letter. He remarked that in addition to the letters he met with Mr. Jagggers to discuss the issues raised.

7. Topics for Future Agendas: Director Ball requested engineering updates pertaining to the Noble Creek turnout enlargement. Director Thompson requested updates on the Beaumont Avenue Recharge Facility.

8. Announcements:

- A. Engineering Workshop, April 9, 2018 at 1:30 p.m.
- B. Regular Board Meeting, April 16, 2018 at 1:30 p.m.
- C. Finance & Budget Workshop, April 23, 2018 at 1:30 p.m.

9. Closed Session (1 Item) – President Fenn asked General Manager Davis if he anticipates any reportable action. General Manager Davis stated that he does not anticipate any reportable action.

President Fenn recessed the meeting to closed session at – Time: 2:04 p.m.

- A. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS
 Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8
 Property: Potential transfer of State Water Project rights/supplies among State Water Project Contractors
 Agency negotiator: Jeff Davis, General Manager
 Negotiating parties: Kern County Water Agency, Curtis Creel, General Manager

Under negotiation: price and terms of payment

The meeting reconvened to open session at: Time: 2:34 pm

General Counsel Ferre stated that there was no action taken during closed session that is reportable under the Brown Act.

10. Adjournment

Time: 2:34 pm



Jeffrey W. Davis, Secretary of the Board