

SAN GORGONIO PASS WATER AGENCY
1210 Beaumont Avenue, Beaumont, California 92223
Minutes of the
Board of Directors Meeting
June 4, 2018

Directors Present: David Fenn, President
Ron Duncan, Vice President
Blair Ball, Director (arrived at 1:36 p.m.)
David Castaldo, Director
Stephen Lehtonen, Director
Lenny Stephenson, Treasurer
Michael Thompson, Director

Staff Present: Jeff Davis, General Manager
Jeff Ferre, General Counsel
Thomas Todd, Finance Manager
Cheryle Rasmussen, 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 David Fenn at 1:30 p.m., June 4, 2018 in the Agency Boardroom at 1210 Beaumont Avenue, Beaumont, California. President Fenn led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Director Lehtonen gave the invocation. A quorum was present.
2. **Adoption and Adjustment of Agenda:** *President Fenn asked if there were any adjustments to the agenda.* There being none the Agenda was adopted as presented.
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.* There were no members of the public that wished to comment at this time.
4. **Consent Calendar:**
 - A. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, May 21, 2018
 - B. Approval of the Minutes of the Finance & Budget Workshop, May 29, 2018
 - C. Approval of the Finance & Budget Report, May 29, 2018

Director Duncan made a motion, and seconded by Director Thompson to adopt the consent calendar as presented. Motion passed 6-0, with Director Ball absent.

5. Reports:

A. General Manager's Report:

(1) Operations Report: (a) SWP Water Deliveries: The Agency delivered 1180 acre-feet of Table A water to the Noble Creek Connection for the month of May.

(2) Construction Update: General Manager Davis reviewed with the Board a number of pictures showing the construction progress of the Fiesta Recharge Facility project. Construction is going smoothly.

(3) General Agency Updates: **(a) Conservation Bills:** General Manager Davis informed the Board that Governor Brown signed the two water conservation bills. General Manager Davis and General Counsel Ferre provided the Board with what is expected from water wholesalers and water retailers due to these bills being passed. **(b) Water Tax:** General Manager Davis asked the Board if the Agency would wish to submit a letter of opposition to the water tax. General Counsel Ferre stated that this request would need to be placed on the agenda. The request was revoked as the letter would need to be sent out this week. **(c) Managers meeting:** The managers decided to meet on a monthly basis for the next few months for one hour instead of bi-monthly for two hours. **(d) California WaterFix:** the contract amendment negotiations for the CWF are nearly done. There are only a couple of minor cleanup issues. **(e) SGMA Update:** There will be a San Timoteo GSA meeting tomorrow. San Gorgonio Pass GSA meets on Thursday.

B. General Counsel Report: General Counsel Ferre provided a written report on a proposed state budget trailer bill which would add an Administrative Hearing Office within the State Board.

C. Directors' Report: President Fenn reported to the Board on the San Gorgonio Pass Regional Water Alliance meeting that he attended. He informed the Board that during the meeting he was nominated as the upcoming Chair.

6. New Business:

A. Consideration and Possible Action on Cost of Living Allowance for Employees: A staff report was included in the agenda packet. General Manager Davis stated that at the May 29th Finance and Budget workshop, the Board recommended that Agency staff (not including the General Manager) receive a 3.2% cost of living increase starting July 1. Director Duncan made a motion, seconded by Director Stephenson to approve a 3.2% cost of living adjustment for Agency staff, not including the General Manager. Motion passed 7- 0.

B. Discussion of Regional Water Alliance Agency Goals for it: A resolution paper submitted by the Board of Supervisors – County of Riverside pertaining to the formation of a Pass Water Policy Panel was included in the agenda packet. President Fenn requested input from the Board, General Manager Davis, and members of the public on the history of the SGPRWA and if they had any recommendations for upcoming SGPRWA meetings and what they would like for the SGPRWA to accomplish. The Board provided input that President Fenn said he would take to the next meeting.

C. Consideration of Payment for Candidate Statement for 2018 Election: A staff report and a Notice to the Registrar of Voters for the November 6, 2018 General District Election were included in the agenda packet. President Fenn made a motion, seconded by Director Ball, requiring individuals to fund their own candidate statements for the 2018 November election. Motion passed 7 - 0. After discussion, the Board asked that there be an item on an upcoming agenda for the Agency to adopt a policy forgoing payment of all future candidate statements.

D. Discussion of Possible Cancellation of June 18, 2018 Board Meeting: General Manager Davis informed the Board that on June 18th two staff members will be on vacation and there is currently only one agenda item for that meeting. He asked the Board if they would like to cancel the June 18th Board meeting. It was the consensus of the Board to cancel the June 18, 2018 meeting.

7. Topics for Future Agendas: 1) **Director Ball** requested in addition to a spreadsheet for the Agency Exchanges and Future Water Owed that there be information on how the repayment will be implemented. 2) Director Thompson requested discussion on the funding of the Sites Reservoir.

8. Announcements:

- A. Engineering Workshop, June 11, 2018 at 1:30 p.m.
- B. Regular Board Meeting, June 18, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. – President Fenn noted that this meeting has been cancelled.
- C. San Geronio Pass Regional Water Alliance, June 20, 2018, 5:00 pm, Banning City Hall

9. Closed Session (1 Item): President Fenn recessed the meeting to closed session at – Time: 2:32 p.m.

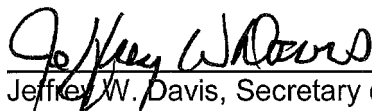
- A. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957
Title: General Manager

President Fenn reconvened the meeting at – Time: 3:06 p.m.

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

10. Adjournment

President Fenn adjourned the meeting at: 3:07 pm



Jeffrey W. Davis, Secretary of the Board

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