# SAN GORGONIO PASS WATER AGENCY 1210 Beaumont Avenue, Beaumont, California 92223 Minutes of the

Board of Directors Meeting June 3, 2019

**Directors Present:** Ron Duncan, President

Lenny Stephenson, Vice President Stephen Lehtonen, Treasurer

Blair Ball, Director David Fenn, Director David Castaldo, Director Michael Thompson, Director

**Staff Present:** Jeff Davis, General Manager

Jeffrey 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 Duncan at 1:30 p.m., June 3, 2019 in the Agency Boardroom at 1210 Beaumont Avenue, Beaumont, California. President Duncan led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. President Duncan gave the invocation. A quorum was present.
- 2. Adoption and Adjustment of Agenda: President Duncan asked if there were any adjustments to the agenda. There being none the agenda was adopted as published.
- 3. Public Comment: President Duncan 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. 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 6, 2019
- B. Approval of the Minutes of the Engineering Workshop, May 13, 2019
- C. Approval of the Minutes of the Finance and Budget Workshop Report, May 28, 2019
- D. Approval of the Finance and Budget Workshop Report, May 28, 2019

President Duncan asked for a motion on the Consent Calendar. Director Stephenson noted that the Regular Board Meeting minutes for 05/06/2019 reflected him as present under item 6b, he was not in attendance. The first sentence is to state the following: Director Stephenson asked at a previous meeting for Board comment on this revised document. for he had asked at a previous board meeting. Director Thompson noted that the Finance and Budget minutes for May 28, 2019 reflected that he was present and absent, he was in fact absent. General Counsel Ferre made a recommendation on item 6A of the May 6, 2019 Board meeting. He requested that language be changed on the second and third bullet items in order to be consistent with the Resolution. Director Stephenson made a motion, seconded by Director Lehtonen, to adopt the consent calendar with the recommended changes. Motion passed 7-0.

## 5. Reports:

## A. General Manager's Report:

- (1) Operations Report: a) General Manager Davis reported that the Agency delivered 1297 acre-feet of Table A water to the Noble Creek Connection for the month of May. Deliveries were increased from 20 cfs to 25 cfs late in May, and will be increasing to 30 cfs no later than next week. b) SWP Water Allocation: Storms in May increased the water supply around the state. The SWP allocation remains at 70%. Lake Oroville is at 98% of capacity and 116% of normal for this date; it has nearly 3.5 MAF right now. Snowpack for June 1 is 202% of normal.
- (2) Update on Delta Conveyance: General Manager Davis provided a PowerPoint presentation that was acquired from Metropolitan Water District of Southern California on the Delta Conveyance. The information provided included the Governor's Executive Order (April 29) Policy Directive and his Water Policy vision for California. The presentation also included information on the process of withdrawing from the California WaterFix; Delta Conveyance Planning Process; Upcoming Delta Conveyance efforts; Delta Conveyance Finance Authority; and information on the Design and Construction Authority.
- (3) General Agency Updates: General Manager Davis relayed information on the following:
  - I. State of California Proposed Water Tax
  - II. Calimesa Water supply issues a joint board meeting is scheduled in July for YVWD, SBVMWD and the Agency
  - III. State Water Project issues
  - IV. An update on the Agency's construction projects
  - V. SGMA update.
  - VI. General Manager Davis announced that the SGP Subbasin Stakeholder Advisory Committee will meet for the first time at the Agency's Board Room on June 12<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 pm. A public notice of the meeting and an agenda will be available. Board members are invited to attend as members of the public.

General Manager Dan Jaggers (BCVWD) spoke on the Noble Creek enlargement.

### B. General Counsel Report: None.

- **C. Directors Reports: 1) Director Fenn** reported on the SGPRWA meeting that was held on May 22<sup>nd</sup>. The Alliance is seeking a Chair and Co-Chair, preferably elected officials. The next meeting will take place on June 26<sup>th</sup>. **2) Director Stephenson** reported on the following: The ACWA JPIA meeting that he attended on May 6<sup>th</sup>, YVWD's Board workshop that was held on May 14<sup>th</sup>, Yucaipa GSA meeting that was held on May 22<sup>nd</sup>, and he attended the 2019 Solar Boat Challenge. **2) President Duncan** reported on the 2019 Inland Solar Boat Challenge.
- **D.** Committee Reports: 1) Director Lehtonen reported on the 2019 Inland Solar Boat Challenge. He complimented the volunteers for their efforts in making this another successful event. He informed the Board that next year is the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Challenge. He suggested that the Agency be more involved for next year's event. 2) **Director Thompson** reported on the May 9<sup>th</sup> Water Conservation and Education Committee meeting. One of the topics discussed

was the legalities involved with social media postings. **2) Director Fenn** announced that there will be a General Manager's Performance Evaluation Committee Meeting on June 10<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 pm.

## 6. New Business:

- A. Consideration of Nomination for ACWA Region 9 Board of Directors. A staff report, ACWA's Board Committee letter and nomination form were included in the agenda packet. General Manager Davis stated that the Agency has been an ACWA member for many years. ACWA Region 9 Nominating Committee is looking for ACWA members who are interested in leading the direction of ACWA Region 9 for the 2020-2021 term. General Manager Davis provided a brief summary of the duties involved with the Region 9 board member position. After discussion the members of the Board declined to be nominated.
- **B.** Consideration of Cost of Living Increase for Staff. At the May 28 Finance and Budget workshop, the Board recommended that Agency staff (not including the General Manager) receive a 2.8% cost of living increase starting July 1. This year the cost of living data was more localized. The purpose of this proposed Board action is to act on that recommendation. Director Fenn made a motion, seconded by Director Stephenson, to approve the 2.8% cost of living increase starting July 1. Motion passed 7-0.
- 7. Topics for Future Agendas: President Duncan requested information on the recharge facility change order. Director Fenn asked for information as to when the recharge facility will be available for testing. Director Stephenson asked to have a discussion on selling the Nickel Water contract in totality. He also requested discussion on hiring Provost and Pritchard to provide a list of available permanent water rights. Director Thompson requested that there be discussion on a social media policy. Director Ball requested information on the expected use of the Agency's land between the school and the recharge facility. There were no other topics for further discussion requested.

Time: 2:39 pm

### 8. Announcements:

- A. Engineering Workshop, June 10, 2019 at 1:30 p.m.
- B. Water Conservation and Education Committee Meeting, June 13, 2019 at 1:30 p.m.
- C. Regular Board Meeting, June 17, 2019 at 1:30 p.m.

9. Adjournment

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