

SAN GORGONIO PASS WATER AGENCY
1210 Beaumont Avenue, Beaumont, California 92223
Minutes of the Board of Directors
June 13, 2022

IN AN EFFORT TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS), AND
 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER
 N-29-20, THIS MEETING WAS HELD VIA ZOOM.

Board Present: Larry Smith, President
 All participants Mickey Valdivia, Vice President
 attended by video Blair M Ball, Director
 conferencing/ Ron Duncan, Director
 teleconferencing Chander Letulle, Treasurer
 Kevin Walton, Director
 Robert Ybarra, Director

Staff Present: Lance Eckhart, General Manager
 Tom Todd, Jr., Chief Financial Officer
 Cheryle Stiff, Executive Assistant
 Emmett Campbell, Sr. Water Resources Planner

Consultants Present: Jeff Ferre, Legal Counsel
 Gwyn-Mohr Tully (Zanjero AMS)

1. Call to Order, Flag Salute, Invocation, and Roll Call

The San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency Board of Directors meeting was called to order by Board Vice President Mickey Valdivia at 12:30 p.m., June 13, 2022, by video/teleconference. General Manager Lance Eckhart led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. President Larry Smith gave the invocation. Vice President Valdivia requested a roll call.

<i>Roll Call</i>	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>
Director Ball	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director Duncan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Treasurer Letulle	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Arrived at 1:30
Vice President Valdivia	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director Walton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director Ybarra	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
President Smith	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

A quorum was present.

2. Adoption and Adjustment of Agenda

The agenda was adopted as published.

3. Public Comment

President Smith asked for public comment on any matter within the jurisdiction of the Agency. Joyce McIntire provided public comment.

Vice President Valdivia announced that the Board would go into closed session.

The Board recessed at 12:38 p.m.

The Board convened to closed session at 12:40 p.m.

4. Closed Session – (2 Items)

A. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957

Title: General Manager

B. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

Agency Designated Representative: President Larry Smith and Vice President Mickey Valdivia

Unrepresented Employee: General Manager Lance Eckhart

The Board adjourned from closed session at 1:33 p.m.

The Board re-convened to open session at 1:34 p.m.

Mr. Ferre reported that the Board considered the matters listed on the agenda. There was no action taken that is reportable under the Brown Act.

All members of the Board of Directors were present.

5. Consent Calendar

A. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, May 23, 2022

B. Adopt Resolution No. 2022-13 of the Board of Directors of the San Geronio Pass Water Agency Re-Authorizing Remote Teleconference/Virtual Meetings of Pass Water Agency Legislative Bodies for the period of June 13, 2022 to July 12, 2022 Pursuant to Brown Act Provisions.

Director Duncan made a motion to approve the consent calendar. Director Letulle seconded the motion. Vice President Valdivia requested a roll call vote.

Roll Call	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Absent
Director Ball	<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"/>
Treasurer Letulle	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vice President Valdivia	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director Walton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director Ybarra	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
President Smith	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

The motion passed, 7-0.

6. Reports

A. General Manager's Report: Mr. Eckhart introduced the Agency's newest employee, Emmett Campbell. Mr. Campbell's position is Sr. Water Resources Planner. Mr. Campbell briefly described his previous employment and qualifications.

B. Legal Counsel's Report: Mr. Ferre provided an update on the pending legislative bills related to AB 361. Mr. Ferre introduced his associate, Holland Stewart. Mr. Stewart will oversee the meetings in the absence of Mr. Ferre. Mr. Stewart focuses on environmental and public law matters with an emphasis on Native American law, water, and land-use issues.

7. New Business

A. Annual Water Supply and Demand Assessment Presentation by Zanjero AMS (Gwyn-Mohr Tully)

Mr. Tully noted that this is a follow-up to the new ruling requiring an Annual Water Supply and Demand Assessment to be filed annually for the previously filed UWMP. Zanjero is in charge of compiling the data and filing the report on behalf of the Agency. Mr. Tully provided a presentation on the 2022 Water Management Update. The presentation included water management obligations for 2022. These obligations include an annual supply and demand assessment, a water shortage contingency plan, and regional water conservation. Mr. Tully concluded his presentation.

B. Adopt Resolution 2022-14 Declaring A State 2 Water Shortage Pursuant to the Agency's Water Shortage Contingency Plan and as Required by the State Water Resources Control Board

Mr. Ferre stated that on May 24th, the State Water Resources Control Board adopted Emergency Regulations to reduce water demand and improve water conservation. The Emergency Regulations require the Agency to implement the demand reduction measures identified in its Water Shortage Contingency Plan. Mr. Ferre provided detailed information on the Resolution. Mr. Eckhart noted that the brunt of the measures falls on the water retailers. SWC requirements include taking water out of storage, procuring other water sources, and water conservation messaging; the Agency is meeting all of those requirements. Mr. Ferre and Mr. Eckhart answered questions from the Board. Director Walton made a motion to adopt Resolution 2022-14, declaring a Stage 2 Water Shortage pursuant to the Agency's Water Shortage Contingency Plan and as required by the State Water Resources Control Board. Director Ball seconded the motion. Vice President Valdivia requested a roll call vote.

Roll Call	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Absent
Director Ball	<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"/>
Treasurer Letulle	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vice President Valdivia	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director Walton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director Ybarra	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
President Smith	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

The motion passed, 7-0

C. Adopt Proposed General Fund Budget for FY 2022-23

Mr. Eckhart noted that this version of the proposed Budget is similar to the draft budget presented at the May 23rd Board meeting. Mr. Eckhart reviewed the two material changes to this proposed budget. Mr. Eckhart, Mr. Todd, and Mr. Ferre answered clarifying questions from the Board. Director Smith made a motion to approve the General Fund and the Consigned – SWP Fund Budget for FY 2022-23. Director Ybarra seconded the motion. Vice President Valdivia requested a roll call vote.

Roll Call	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Absent
Director Ball	<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"/>
Treasurer Letulle	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vice President Valdivia	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director Walton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director Ybarra	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
President Smith	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

The motion passed, 7-0.

D. Adopt Resolution 2022-15 Approving the Transfer of State Water Project Table A Supply from the City of Ventura to the Agency as required Under the State Water Project Contract Procedures

Mr. Eckhart reviewed the Staff Report and Resolution 2022-15. He stated that the Transfer is subject to the terms and conditions of the State Water Project Contract and that specific entities have to be notified of the Transfer, including the Department of Water Resources; the Agency has met those terms. The Agency needs to adopt this Resolution to comply with Article 57(g) of the State Water Contract by making certain findings as outlined in the Resolution. He noted that Ventura would be voting on its Resolution at this evening's Board meeting. Mr. Eckhart answered clarifying questions from the Board. Director Walton made a motion to adopt Resolution 2022-15 which sets forth certain confirmations required by the Department of Water Resources under Article 57(g) of the State Water Contract. Director Duncan seconded the motion. Vice President Valdivia requested a roll call vote.

Roll Call	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Absent
Director Ball	<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"/>
Treasurer Letulle	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vice President Valdivia	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director Walton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director Ybarra	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
President Smith	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

The motion passed, 7-0.

8. Reports

A. Directors and Committee Reports

Director Ball reported on:

- BCVWD Board meeting on June 8, 2022

Director Duncan reported on:

- Beaumont Basin Watermaster meeting on June 1, 2022
- YVWD Groundbreaking Ceremony on June 3, 2022
- Beaumont Chamber Breakfast on June 10, 2022
- YouTube Video on Sites Project and the Delta Conveyance

Director Valdivia reported on:

- BCVWD Board meeting on June 8, 2022

Director Walton reported on:

- Cherry Festival – SGPWA Booth: June 2nd through June 5th.

Director Ybarra reported on:

- Local Capital Improvement Committee Meeting on June 9, 2022

President Smith reported on:

- Cherry Festival – SGPWA Booth: June 2nd through June 5th.

Dan Jagers (BCVWD) spoke on the collaborative efforts of the Agency and BCVWD at the Cherry Festival.

8. Topics for Future Agendas

Vice President Valdivia would like to work with Staff on updating the Region regarding American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding. Director Duncan requested an update from the Local Capital Improvement Committee.

9. Announcements

Vice President Valdivia reviewed the announcements:

- A. Water conservation and Education Workshop, June 14, 2022 at 1:30 p.m.
- Teleconference/Zoom
- B. Finance and Engineering Workshop, June 20, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.
- Teleconference/Zoom
- C. Regular Board Meeting, June 27, 2022 at 1:30 p.m.
- Teleconference/Zoom

10. Adjournment

Vice President Valdivia adjourned the meeting at 2:41 p.m.



Lance Eckhart, Secretary of the Board

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