

SAN GORGONIO PASS WATER AGENCY
1210 Beaumont Avenue, Beaumont, California 92223
Minutes of the Board of Directors
November 14, 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 attended by video conferencing/
teleconferencing Mickey Valdivia, Vice President
Chander Letulle, Treasurer
Blair M Ball, Director (arrived at 1:47 p.m.)
Ron Duncan, Director
Kevin Walton, Director
Robert Ybarra, Director

Staff Present: Lance Eckhart, General Manager
Tom Todd, Jr., Chief Financial Officer
Emmett Campbell, Sr. Water Resources Planner
Matt Howard, Operations Manager

Consultants Present: Jeffry Ferre, Legal Counsel

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 President Larry Smith at 1:33 p.m., November 14, 2022, by video/teleconference. General Manager Lance Eckhart led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. President Smith gave the invocation. President Smith 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"/>
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

There was no public comment.

4. Consent Calendar

A. Adoption of Resolution No. 2022-26, Re-Authorizing Remote Teleconference/Virtual Meetings of Pass Water Agency Legislative Bodies for

4. Consent Calendar (con't)

the Period of November 14, 2022 to December 14, 2022 Pursuant to Brown Act Provisions

B. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, October 24, 2022

Director Ybarra made a motion, seconded by Director Walton, to approve the consent calendar. President Smith requested a roll call vote.

Roll Call	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Absent
Director Ball	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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 6 – 0.

5. Reports

A. General Manager's Report

1. Mr. Eckhart reported that the water transfer with Central Coast Water Authority had been approved by DWR, and funds have been received.
2. Staff is making progress on proposals for potential funding of projects for two GSAs.

B. Legal Counsel's Report

There was no Legal Counsel report

6. Informational Presentation

A. Negative Declaration for Multi-Year Water Transfer Project Status

Mr. Eckhart reported that the comment period of the NegDec was closed on November 11, 2022, and no comments were received. Because the agenda for this meeting had already been published, Board action to accept and file the NegDec will be placed on the agenda for the November 28, 2022 Board meeting.

B. Water Supply Strategic Plan

Mr. Eckhart made a presentation describing the need for a Water Supply Strategic Plan.

7. New Business

A. Purchase and Sale Agreement for Property APNs 400-250-010 & 400-250-012

Mr. Campbell made a presentation about property located to the west of the Agency's current recharge facility on the corner of Brookside Avenue and Beaumont Avenue. The attached report recommends the purchase of the above mentioned properties, totaling about 62.5 acres, for \$3,175,000. After discussion, Director Ball made a motion, seconded by Vice President Valdivia, to approve entering into a Purchase and Sale Agreement with Diamond Riverside Limited

Partnership for the purchase of the properties with APNs 400-250-010 and 400-250-012 for the purchase price of \$3,175,000.00 and authorize the General Manager to take any and all actions necessary in order to implement the Agreement. President Smith 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"/>
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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.

B. Nominations for ACWA Region 9 Board of Directors

President Smith asked if any Board member was interested in being nominated for a Board position on the ACWA Region 9 Board of Directors. Treasurer Letulle said he was interested. After discussion, Vice President Valdivia made a motion, seconded by Director Duncan, to adopt Resolution 2022-27 nominating Chander Letulle, and request that Staff assist Director Letulle in completing any necessary forms as needed. President Smith 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:

- Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District (11/2/2022)
- Financial Feasibility Ad Hoc Committee (11/3/2022)

Director Duncan reported on:

- IERCD presentation at Central Elementary, 2nd grade (11/3/2022)
- South Mesa Water Company (11/9/2022)
- Beaumont Chamber breakfast

Director Letulle reported on:

- Water-Wise Pro conference (11/8-9/2022)

Director Valdivia reported on:

- San Geronio GSA

President Smith reported on:

- The passing of George Jorritsma

9. Topics for Future Agendas: None.

10. Announcements

President Smith reviewed the announcements:

- A. Finance and Engineering Workshop, November 21, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.- Teleconference/Zoom
- B. The office will be closed November 24th & 25th, in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday
- C. Regular Board Meeting, November 28, 2022 at 1:30 p.m.- Teleconference/Zoom
- D. The December 19th Finance and Engineering Workshop will include a Regular Board Meeting.
- E. The December 26, 2022 Regular Board Meeting is canceled, due to the Christmas Holiday.
- F. The office will be closed from December 26th thru December 30th, due to the Christmas and New Year's Holiday

11. Adjournment

President Smith adjourned the meeting at 2:33 p.m. in honor of George Jorritsma.



Lance Eckhart, Secretary of the Board

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