

**SAN GORGONIO PASS WATER AGENCY**  
**1210 Beaumont Avenue, Beaumont, California 92223**  
**Minutes of the Finance and Engineering Workshop**  
**June 19, 2023**

THIS MEETING WAS HELD IN PERSON,  
WITH PUBLIC AVAILABILITY PROVIDED VIA ZOOM.

**Board Present:** Larry Smith, President  
In person Mickey Valdivia, Vice President  
Chander Letulle, Treasurer  
Blair M Ball, Director  
Kevin Walton, Director  
Robert Ybarra, Secretary

**Board Absent:** Ron Duncan, Director

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

**Consultants Present:** Holland Stewart, Legal Counsel  
In person

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

The Finance and Engineering Workshop of the San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency Board of Directors was called to order by Treasurer Chander Letulle at 6:00 p.m., June 19, 2023. Mr. Letulle led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Mr. Letulle gave the invocation. Mr. Letulle requested a roll call.

| <b><i>Roll Call</i></b> | <b><i>Present</i></b>               | <b><i>Absent</i></b>                |
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| Director Ball           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Director Duncan         | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" 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"/>            |
| Secretary 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**

None.

**4. Reports**

**A. General Manager's Report**

None.

**5. New Business Finance & Budget**

A. Ratification of Paid Invoices and Monthly Payroll for May, 2023: The Board reviewed paid invoices of \$3,022,454.56 and monthly payroll of \$52,278.42 for a total of \$3,074,732.98 for May, 2023.

B. Review of Bank Reconciliation for May, 2023: The Board reviewed the bank reconciliation for May, 2023.

C. Review of Budget Report for May, 2023: The Board reviewed the Budget Report for May, 2023. Mr. Ball requested a future discussion on insurance provisions for investments with LAIF and CAMP Liquidity. Mr. Dan Jagers (BCVWD) provided public comment. After discussion, Mr. Valdivia moved, seconded by Mr. Smith, to accept items 5. A-C at the next regular Board meeting. Mr. Letulle requested a roll call vote.

| <b>Roll Call</b>        | <b>Ayes</b>                         | <b>Noes</b>              | <b>Abstain</b>           | <b>Absent</b>                       |
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| Director Duncan         | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Treasurer Letulle       | <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"/>            |
| Secretary 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, with Mr. Duncan absent.

D. Review of Pending Legal Invoices for May, 2023: Mr. Smith moved, seconded by Mr. Ball, to recommend that the Board approve payment of the legal invoices for May 2023 in the amount of \$5,870.20 at the next regular Board meeting. Mr. Letulle requested a roll call vote.

| <b>Roll Call</b>        | <b>Ayes</b>                         | <b>Noes</b>              | <b>Abstain</b>           | <b>Absent</b>                       |
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| Director Duncan         | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
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| President Smith         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |

The motion passed 6-0, with Mr. Duncan absent.

E. Cabazon Gap Funding Report: Mr. Todd reviewed the report.

**6. New Business Engineering - Informational**

**A. Water Conditions Update**

Mr. Howard presented information on Weather & Reservoir Conditions, DWR Snow Survey Update, Kern River – SWP Intertie (video provided), SWP Allocation, Water Portfolio, and SWP Deliveries and Recharge. Mr. Howard answered questions.

**B. Operations and Maintenance Update**

Mr. Howard presented an update on the Agency's operations and maintenance activities for the quarter, including maintenance of the Beaumont Avenue Recharge Facility, percolation rates, Mountain View and Noble Creek turn-out meters, and Underground Service Alert (USA) markings. Mr. Dan Jagers (BCVWD) provided public comment. Mr. Howard answered questions.

**C. San Gorgonio Pass GSA Grant Funding Update**

Mr. Howard presented an update on the SGMA Implementation Grant Funding. The Agency, in coordination with the GSA, submitted an application for the Nested Monitoring Wells Project in January 2023 to fill groundwater-level data gaps within the GSA area. DWR tentatively awarded the San Gorgonio Pass GSA \$2,055,670. He reviewed the next steps for the grant award. Project completion is anticipated by the first quarter of 2025. Mr. Howard reported on the previous San Gorgonio Pass Prop 1 Water Bond 2014 Grant, which resulted in the implementation of four monitoring wells located in the Cabazon area.

**8. Announcements**

Mr. Letulle reviewed the announcements:

A. Regular Board Meeting, June 26, 2023 at 1:30 p.m.

B. Office closed July 4, 2023 in observance of Independence Day

**9. Adjournment**

Mr. Letulle adjourned the meeting at 7:41 p.m.



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Robert Ybarra, Secretary of the Board

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