

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
of the
CACHUMA OPERATION & MAINTENANCE BOARD**

held at
3301 Laurel Canyon Road, Santa Barbara, CA
Monday, November 17, 2014

1. Call to Order, Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by President Lauren Hanson who chaired the meeting. Those in attendance were:

Directors present:

Lauren Hanson	Goleta Water District
Doug Morgan	Montecito Water District
Dennis Beebe	SYR Water Conservation District, ID No. 1
Dale Francisco	City of Santa Barbara
Alonzo Orozco	Carpinteria Valley Water District

Others present:

Randall Ward	William Carter
Janet Gingras	Tom Fayram
Dave Stewart	Charles Hamilton
Ruth Snodgrass	Tim Robinson
Mitchell White	Phil Walker

2. Public Comment

Phil Walker commented on reservoir levels relating to the drought.

3. Consent Agenda

a. Minutes:
October 27, 2014 Regular Board Meeting

b. Investment Funds
Financial Report
Investment Report

c. Payment of Claims

Director Francisco moved to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Director Beebe, passed 7/0/0

Ayes: Beebe, Morgan, Francisco, Orozco, Hanson,

Nays: None

Abstain/Absent: None

William Carter General Counsel announced that the Board would go into closed session pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9 D1 and D4.

The Board went into closed session at 2:08 p.m.

4. [Closed Session]: Conference with Legal Counsel: Existing and Potential Litigation

- a. [Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)]
Name of case: Andrew Brown and Jessica Brown vs. Cachuma Operation & Maintenance Board, Santa Barbara Superior Court Case No. 1438821
- b. [Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4)]
Name of case: California Trout, Inc. v. United States Bureau of Reclamation et al., United States District Court, CDCA, Case No., 2:14-CV-7744
- c. [Government Code Section 54956.9]
Claim of Vicky Ondracek

5. Reconvene Into Open Session

[Government Code Section 54957.7]
Disclosure of actions taken in closed session, as applicable
[Government Code Section 54957.1]

The Board came out of closed session at 3:16 p.m.

There was nothing to report out of closed session for items 4a and 4b. Item 4c, the Board voted 7/0/0 to reject the claim of Vicky Ondracek.

Ayes: Beebe, Morgan, Francisco, Orozco, Hanson

Nays: None

Absent/Abstain: None

6. Resolution No. 590 Commendation for Water Service Worker III/Lead, David Nageotte, Upon His Retirement

David Nageotte began employment with COMB on December 5, 2002 and will retire effective December 6, 2014. Resolution No. 590 expressed appreciation and gratitude to Mr. Nageotte.

Director Francisco moved to approve Resolution No. 590, seconded by Director Morgan, passed 7/0/0 by a roll call vote:

Aye: Beebe, Morgan, Francisco, Orozco, Hanson

Nays: None

Absent/Abstain: None

7. Reports From Board Committees

a. Administrative Committee Meeting – November 12, 2014

Director Hanson reported on the meeting she and Director Francisco attended. The Committee discussed Health Benefits, Longevity Pay, New Hire Introductory Period, the requested detail on the payment of claims, an update

on the Capital and Operating Budget Process, the IRWMP allocation formula, Member Unit water allocation, Informational requests – Data Format, Title Transfer, and they also discussed Hilton Creek Project.

8. Approval of Drafting A Board Policy For Document Release

Randall Ward, General Manager, reported that COMB does not currently have a Board adopted policy regarding the format for the release of COMB prepared information. COMB provides data and written information to numerous government agencies and outside interests. The information provided often contains data or language that, if altered and/or unintentionally released, could be subject to misinterpretation.

The Administrative Committee reviewed and approved this submittal to the Board of Directors to request the General Manager to develop a standard policy to require document release be restricted to a locked or PDF format.

Director Beebe moved to request the General Manager to develop a standard policy for document release in a locked or PDF format only, unless the General Manager agrees otherwise for reasonable cause, seconded by Director Francisco, passed 7/0/0.

Ayes: Beebe, Morgan, Francisco, Orozco, Hanson

Nays: None

Absent/Abstain: None

9. General Manager's Report

Randall Ward, General Manager, highlighted his report which was included in the board packet. Mr. Ward reported that the status of the USBR Site inspection regarding cross connections has not changed, the rehabilitation of the North Portal Elevator should be completed by the first of December. Mr. Ward had included the agreements between the County Planning Development staff and COMB regarding encroachments. He also reported on the Santa Barbara County Drought Task Force, the construction status, grant funding and IRWMP grant status for the Drought Emergency Pumping Facility Project. The 2015 Board meeting schedule was included with Mr. Ward's report.

10. Progress Report on Lake Cachuma Oak Tree Program

Tim Robinson, Sr. Resources Scientist, highlighted the report which was included in the board packet. During the month of October staff irrigated, weeded and performed cage maintenance on the trees. The report on the Lakeshore inventory is near completion and the Oak tree inventory will take place later this fall.

11. Operations Division Report

Dave Stewart's report described the activities performed by the Operations field crew staff for the previous month.

12. Fisheries Division Report

Tim Robinson, Sr. Resources Scientist highlighted the report which was included in the board packet.

13. Monthly Cachuma Project Reports

- a. **Cachuma Reservoir Current Conditions**
The Lake Cachuma Daily Operations report through November 13, 2014 was included in the board packet.
- b. **Lake Cachuma Quagga Survey**
The County's summary of Aquatic Invasive Species Inspection Program for October 2014 was included in the board packet.

14. Directors' Requests for Agenda Items for Next Meeting

There were no requests for Agenda items.

15. Resolution No. 589 Commendation For Director Dennis Beebe

Resolution No. 589 was to express appreciation and thanks to Dennis Beebe upon his leaving the office as a Director of the COMB Board. Director Morgan moved to approve Resolution No. 589, seconded by Director Hanson, passed by a roll call vote of the Board:

Ayes: Orozco, Francisco, Morgan, Hanson, Beebe

Nays: None

Absent/Abstain: None

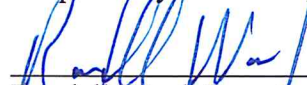
16. Meeting Schedule

- The next regular Board meeting will be held December 15, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.
- The Agendas and Board Packets are available on the COMB website, www.cachuma-board.org

17. COMB Adjournment

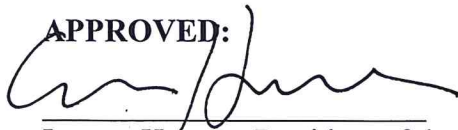
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Randall Ward, Secretary of the Board

APPROVED:



Lauren Hanson, President of the Board