

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

**held at
3301 Laurel Canyon Road, Santa Barbara, CA
Monday, June 27, 2016**

1. Call to Order, Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 2:01 p.m. by President Doug Morgan who chaired the meeting. Those in attendance were:

Directors present:

Doug Morgan	Montecito Water District
Harwood "Bendy" White	City of Santa Barbara
Polly Holcombe	Carpinteria Valley Water District
Lauren Hanson	Goleta Water District

Others present:

Janet Gingras	Amy Smith
Dave Stewart	Phil Walker
William Carter	Fray Crease
Dale Francisco	Sam Schaefer
Bob McDonald	Joshua Haggmark
Pearl Schaefer	Sandra Livelsberger

2. Public Comment

Phil Walker expressed his concern regarding the La Niña weather conditions that are becoming readily apparent. The associated supercharging of hot air, coupled with the region's notorious Santa Ana winds, poses substantial fire risk in the coming months.

3. Consent Agenda

a. Minutes

May 23, 2016 Regular Board Meeting

b. Investment Funds

Financial Reports
Investment Reports

c. Review of Paid Claims

d. Review of Pending Claims for Payment

Director Hanson moved to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Director Holcombe, the motion carried 6/0/1 as follows:

Ayes: White, Holcombe, Hanson, Morgan

Nays: None

Absent/Abstain: Walsh

4. Verbal Reports from Board Committees

- *Administrative Committee Meeting – May 26, 2016:* Ms. Janet Gingras, General Manager, advised the Board that the sole item for consideration on the Administrative Committee meeting's agenda was the COMB Fiscal Year 2016-17 Proposed Draft Operating Budget and Associated Materials, noting that it was forwarded to the Board, approved, and adopted on June 15, 2016, in accordance with the Committee's recommendation.
- *Operations Committee Meeting – June 24, 2016:* Ms. Gingras summarized the items on the Operations Committee meeting's agenda. Director White confirmed that the Operations Committee forwarded proposals for work on the Ortega Dam Underdrain Repair and the Lateral 3A Replacement Project to the Board with the recommendations to approve entering into contracts with the respective consultants.

5. Cachuma Project Trust Fund / Renewal Fund Meeting and County's Public Meeting on Cachuma Project Betterment Fund, May 11, 2016

- a. *Approval of Plan and Program Expenditure of Trust Fund for FY 2016-2017*
- b. *Approval of Program Expenditure of County Water Agency's Betterment Fund for FY 2016-2017*

Ms. Gingras outlined the nature of the inverse relationship between the Renewal Fund and Trust Fund, as well as the actions taken at the annual Cachuma Project Trust Fund / Renewal Fund Meeting and the County Public Meeting on the Cachuma Project Betterment Fund. Following Director White's suggestion to consider including fire protection in future years' use of the Betterment Fund, Director Holcombe moved to approve both recommendations 'a' and 'b,' as listed above. Seconded by Director Hanson, the motion carried 6/0/1 as follows:

Ayes: White, Holcombe, Hanson, Morgan

Nays: None

Absent/Abstain: Walsh

6. Fiscal Year 2016-17 Elections and Appointments of Cachuma Operation & Maintenance Board

a. *Election of President*

President Morgan stated he would be honored to serve again as Board President during the upcoming fiscal year. The following nominations were made: Director Hanson nominated Director White for the position. Director Holcombe nominated President Morgan to continue as Board President. Nominations closed, Director White seconded Director Holcombe's nomination, and President Morgan was re-elected Board President by the following 6/0/1 roll call vote:

Ayes: White, Holcombe, Hanson, Morgan

Nays: None

Absent/Abstain: Walsh

b. *Election of Vice-President*

Director Hanson nominated Director White for continued service as Board Vice-President. The nomination was seconded by Director Holcombe and, hearing no

other nominations, Director White was re-elected Vice-President of the Board by the following 6/0/1 roll call vote:

Ayes: White, Holcombe, Hanson, Morgan

Nayes: None

Absent/Abstain: Walsh

- c. *Appointment of ACWA/JPIA Representative and Alternate*
- d. *Appointment of General Counsel*
- e. *Appointment of Secretary of the Board*
- f. *Appointment of Treasurer and Auditor-Controller*

Director Holcombe moved to re-appoint the same ACWA/JPIA Representative and Alternate, General Counsel, Secretary of the Board, and Treasurer and Auditor-Controller that held those positions in Fiscal Year 2015-16, as presented in the board packet. Seconded by Director Hanson, the motion carried 6/0/1 as follows:

Ayes: White, Holcombe, Hanson, Morgan

Nayes: None

Absent/Abstain: Walsh

7. Ortega Dam Underdrain Repair

In accordance with the Operations Committee's recommendation, Director Holcombe moved to authorize the General Manager to enter into a Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Peter Lapidus Construction, Inc. for an amount not-to-exceed \$35,000 for the repair of Ortega Reservoir's underdrain. Ms. Gingras clarified that the scope of work and cost of the repair cannot be fully defined until the cause of the leak is identified. Seconded by Director White, the motion carried 6/0/1 as follows:

Ayes: White, Holcombe, Hanson, Morgan

Nayes: None

Absent/Abstain: Walsh

8. Lateral 3A Replacement Project

In support of the Operations Committee's recommendation, Director Holcombe moved to authorize the General Manager to enter into a PSA with Flowers & Associates, Inc. in an amount not-to-exceed \$28,900 for engineering design services on the Lateral 3A Replacement project. Seconded by Director Hanson, the motion carried 6/0/1 as follows:

Ayes: White, Holcombe, Hanson, Morgan

Nayes: None

Absent/Abstain: Walsh

9. General Manager Report

- *ACWA/JPIA Risk Assessment*
- *Personnel*
- *Cachuma Member Unit Managers Meeting*

- *Operations Division Activities*
- *Fisheries Division Activities*

Ms. Janet Gingras, General Manager, highlighted topics within her report, as incorporated in the board packet, and invited any questions from the Board.

10. Operations Division Report

- *Lake Cachuma Operations*
- *Operation and Maintenance Activities*

Operations Division Manager, Mr. Dave Stewart, summarized the report as presented in the board packet and updated the Board on several operations projects underway. He advised the Board that the replacement Lauro Stop Valve had been ordered and that it will likely be installed this winter, rather than just after its mid-summer arrival, thus reducing the impacts of the related system shutdown.

11. Resolution No. 613 – Approving Expenditures for the Construction of the Fish Passage Improvement at Quiota Creek Crossing Number 4

Director Hanson proposed three modifications to the language of Resolution No. 613, and then moved to approve and adopt it, inclusive of the suggested revisions, which she provided to General Counsel at that time. Seconded by Director Holcombe, the motion carried 6/0/1 as follows:

Ayes: White, Holcombe, Hanson, Morgan

Nayes: None

Absent/Abstain: Walsh

12. Fisheries Division Report

- *LSYR Steelhead Monitoring Elements*
- *Tributary Project Updates*
- *Surcharge Water Accounting*
- *Reporting/Outreach/Training*

Mr. Scott Engblom, Project Biologist, noted features of the report, as presented in the board packet, and offered to field any questions from the Board.

13. Progress Report on Lake Cachuma Oak Tree Program

- *Maintenance and Monitoring*

Mr. Engblom provided a concise update on the status of the program and noted that the recent use of an additional water tuck had been vastly beneficial to the program's efforts during this unprecedented drought. Director Hanson requested to receive an update on the County's plan to manage the risk of gold-spotted oak borer infestation in July's report.

14. Monthly Cachuma Project Reports

The reports were included in the board packet for information.

15. Directors' Requests for Agenda Items for Future Meeting

There were no requests for agenda items for a future meeting.

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

The Board went into closed session at 3:51 p.m.

- a. [Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4)]
Protest of Member Agency re: Payment of Assessment for Certain Fisheries Related Activities

17. 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 4:34 p.m.

- b. Protest of Member Agency re: Payment of Assessment for Certain Fisheries Related Activities

There was no reportable action.

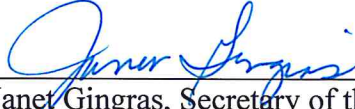
18. Meeting Schedule

- The next Regular Board meeting will be held July 25, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.
- The Agendas and Board Packets are available on the COMB website at www.cachuma-board.org

19. COMB Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Janet Gingras, Secretary of the Board

APPROVED:



Doug Morgan, President of the Board