



MEETING MINUTES
Regular Meeting of the
Cuyama Basin Water District

Wednesday, February 23, 2022, at 3:30 p.m.

NOTE: Board & Public Participation In-Person & Teleconference

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Derek Yurosek, President
Byron Albano, Vice-President
Lorena Stoller, Treasurer (phone)
Jane Wooster
Matt Vickery

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

AUDIENCE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Matt Klinchuch, CBWD GM
Brad DeBranch, CBWD Secretary
Jeff Shaw, EKI
Brenton Kelly (Phone)
Dan Wilke (Phone)
Dan Clifford (Phone)
Beverley Gutierrez (Phone)
Brett Stroud, Y&W

1. **Call to Order** – President Yurosek called the meeting to order at 3:33 p.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance** – Completed
3. **Roll Call** – Present: Directors Albano, Stoller (phone), Vickery, Wooster, and Yurosek. Board quorum present.
4. **Consideration of Resolution 2022-001, authorizing initial teleconference meeting.**
 - a. A motion was made by Director Vickery and seconded by Director Wooster to approve and adopt Resolution 2022-001. The motion was unanimously carried.
5. **Self-Introductions** – All audience members were introduced.
6. **Public Comment** – Brenton Kelly asked about reappointment of Officers and if that has occurred yet. The Board stated that Agenda Item #9 will discuss appointment of Board Officers.
7. **Minutes**
 - a. A motion was made by Director Wooster and seconded by Director Vickery to approve the December 29th, 2021, Regular Meeting Minutes. The motion was unanimously carried.

8. Financial Report

- a. YTD Financial Report & Accounts Payable – An overview of the current financial report and accounts payable was provided by General Manager. A motion was made by Director Wooster and seconded by Director Vickery to accept and pay the Accounts Payable for December 2021 & January 2022. The motion was unanimously carried.
- b. 2021 Assessments Status Report – CBWD has received approximately 96% of landowner assessments for 2021. General Manager to monitor the largest landowners with outstanding assessments.
- c. Review and Possible Action on Auditor Services for FY 2021 – No action taken by Board.
- d. Discuss Draft 2022 Budget and Draft 2022 Assessment – Board reached consensus to proceed with Ad Hoc committee's recommendation to assess \$5.00 per irrigated acre and \$0.44 per non-irrigated acre.

9. Management/Administration

- a. Appointment of Officers – A motion was made by Director Vickery and seconded by Director Wooster to keep current officers in their position. The motion was unanimously carried.
- b. Form 700 - Staff informed the Board that Form 700's are due by April 1st, 2022.

10. Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) for Cuyama Basin

- a. Status Report on Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency – The next GSA meeting is March 2, 2022. All Directors are planning to attend. GM will not be available as alternate. A SAC meeting is scheduled for tomorrow afternoon, February 24, 2022.
- b. Review potential CBGSA Agenda items and consider action providing any recommendations regarding agenda items – The board reviewed the upcoming GSA Board meeting agenda items. A Technical committee call is scheduled for Tuesday, March 1st. The Board discuss agenda items including, public hearing for GSP Amendment, historic pumping analysis and policy within the management area, 2021 Annual Report, adaptive management actions, upcoming Budget for FY 22-23 and also metering requirements. Ad Hoc Update from Wooster/Vickery on Central MA pumping analysis. Board discussed the central management area and whether acreage or wells should be used for the methodology. The Board also discussed the 5% cutback in 2023, asking what number will be used to determine the reduction in pumping. The Board wants to set future item for CBWD related to central management area and well management, and for EKI to provide technical update at April's Board meeting.
- c. EKI update on Technical Components – Jeff Shaw with EKI presented an update on their latest technical assessments including an overview of DWR's GSP review, GSA's 2021 Annual Report, groundwater conditions, Central Management Area pumping allocation, groundwater model update, grant opportunities, DWR's new data portal – California Groundwater Live, and 3D basin modeling.

11. New Business – Board would to add agenda item at upcoming meeting related to Management Area Policy. Board would also like for EKI to further explore Basin 3D modeling with W&C.

12. Announcements

- a. Next meeting: March 23rd, 2022
- b. Future meetings: April 27th, 2022

13. Closed Session

- a. Government Code Section 54956.9 Anticipated Litigation
Number of Potential Cases: One
Board Moved into Closed session at 6:34 p.m.

14. Closed Session Item

- a. Report action taken in Closed Session required by Government Code Section 54956.9 (d) (2) - No reportable action taken by Board in closed session. Board came out of closed session at 6:47 p.m.

15. Adjournment – Meeting was adjourned by Director Yurosek at 6:48 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

**Brad DeBranch, Secretary
Cuyama Basin Water District**