

**San Gabriel County Water District
Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
8366 Grand Ave.
Rosemead, CA 91770**

June 11, 2019

4:00 P.M.

AGENDA

Call to Order

1. Pledge of Allegiance

- 2. Roll Call**
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| Director Taylor | _____ |
| Director Chan | _____ |
| Director Cammarano | _____ |
| Director Cici | _____ |
| Director DeLaTorre | _____ |

3. Additions, Re-order and Adoption of the Agenda:

Motion:
Second:
Action:

4. Public Comment on Agenda and Non-Agenda items

Anyone wishing to discuss items on and not on the agenda may do so at this time

5. Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors held on May 28, 2019

Motion:
Second:
Action:

6. List of Demands on General Account

a. May 2019 Invoices

Motion:
Second:
Action:

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- 7. District Counsel**
- 8. Action Item**
- 9. Miscellaneous Information Items**
 - a. Water Well Report**
- 10. General Manager Report**
- 11. Future Agenda Items**
- 12. Director Comments**
- 13. Adjournment**

Motion:
Second:
Action:

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**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
SAN GABRIEL COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
HELD ON MAY 14, 2019**

- CALL TO ORDER** A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the San Gabriel County Water District was held on Tuesday, May 14, 2019, at 8366 Grand Avenue, Rosemead, California at the hour of 4:00 p.m.
- ROLL CALL** President Taylor; Directors Cammarano, Chan, Cici, and DeLaTorre; General Manager Prior; Assistant General Manager Feilen; Finance and Administration Manager Corona; and District Counsel Colin O’Neill were present.
- AGENDA** Upon motion by Director DeLaTorre, and seconded by Director Cici, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the agenda for this regular meeting of the Board of Directors held on May 14, 2019.
- PUBLIC COMMENT** Director Chavez of Upper San Gabriel Municipal Water District was in attendance and informed the Board that Upper District would be presenting the awards for its annual student art show the following day at its Board meeting.
- Director Chavez added that the annual “Solar Cup” boat race for high school students will be taking place the following weekend at Lake Skinner in Temecula, and urged people to attend.
- MINUTES** Upon motion by Director Chan, and seconded by Director Cici, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors held on April 23, 2019.
- DEMANDS** Upon motion by Director Chan, and seconded by Director Cammarano, the Board voted unanimously to approve the payment of check numbers 20108 through 20163 from the General Account in the aggregate amount of \$896,953.89, and check numbers 11819 through 11836 from the Revolving Account in the aggregate amount of \$42,358.16 for the April, 2019 invoices.
- DISTRICT COUNSEL** None.
- ACTION** Upon motion by Director Chan, and seconded by Director Cammarano, the Board voted unanimously to declare as surplus District vehicles Nos. 120, 121 & 122, and authorized their sale in the offered amounts of \$7,000, \$7,500 and \$8,000, respectively.
- INFORMATION** The April 2019 Water Well Report was received and filed.

**GENERAL
MANAGER
COMMENTS**

The General Manager inquired as to the interest of the Board in upcoming training programs. The Board agreed to attend the sexual harassment training on August 21, and ethics training on July 9.

The General Manager inquired as to the Board members' interest in being nominated for the Region 8 Board

The General Manager reported on his experience at the recent ACWA conference in Monterey. He observed that the water tax was a recurring theme and a subject of much discussion. Among the other programs he found useful were: those on the science of atmospheric rivers; the dynamics of one agency subsuming another; and the influence of China trade. He also reported on a presentation by the recently appointed California Secretary of Natural Resources, Wade Crowfoot, and his pro-water tax stance. The general manager also reported that he met with the California Special Districts' group, and SB13 was discussed (prohibiting certain impact fees).

**FUTURE
AGENDA
ITEMS**

July 9 – Ethics training.

July 23 – Mid-year budget review.

August 21- Sexual harassment sensitivity training.

**DIRECTOR
COMMENTS**

Director Taylor advised that the MWD turf replacement program was being revived, and asked that staff add a link the District's website directing interested customers to the pertinent information.

Director Taylor recommended and made available a recent article concerning state and local water objectives, using year 2040 as a target for progress.

Director Chan reported on his attendance at the recent ACWA conference in Monterey, and summarized the programs he attended, and his impressions thereof. Among the presentations and discussion that Director Chan reported on and found interesting were:

- An award presented to Dr. David Kimbro at the Opening Breakfast;
- A finance session concerning rate increases, with a focus on the importance of communication with rate-payers in this context, suggesting various techniques to keep rate-payers informed and involved.
- A presentation by the head of the California EPA, the focus of which was protecting State headwaters, and assuring that the Governor has placed water issues as a priority in his governance. (Director Chan commented that he was left somewhat unsatisfied as to proposed details.)
- A presentation concerning a Bond initiative, involving a public-private partnership, designed to minimize the catastrophic effect of forest fires in the state. (Director Chan offered that he was unsatisfied with the implementation details.)
- A general presentation on statewide issues, largely focusing on a recent legislative declaration that water is a human right, but tacitly acknowledging

that affording this right to the State's citizens is a daunting task, and given the experience of other States of the Republic. (Kentucky in particular), it will likely take a substantial amount of time and effort to achieve the desired goals.

- Like General Manager Prior, Director Chan attended the presentation of California Secretary of Natural Resources, Wade Crowfoot, who provided details of the water tax, in support thereof.

- A presentation by ACWA/JPIA, which addressed the fact that that wildfires in California adversely affect insurance carriers because of the cost-sharing aspect inherent to insurance carriers – in this case, namely, in several of the affected areas, there are no longer enough rate-payers to support the ongoing fixed costs of water agencies, given their infrastructure and other financial obligations.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board met in closed session pursuant to Government Code sections 54956.9 and 54957. No reportable action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Director Cammarano, and seconded by Director DeLaTorre, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

President

Secretary

[SEAL]

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
SAN GABRIEL COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
HELD ON MAY 28, 2019**

- CALL TO ORDER** A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the San Gabriel County Water District was held on Tuesday, May 28, 2019, at 8366 Grand Avenue, Rosemead, California at the hour of 4:00 p.m.
- ROLL CALL** President Taylor; Directors Cammarano, Chan, Cici, and DeLaTorre; General Manager Prior; Assistant General Manager Feilen; Finance and Administration Manager Corona; and District Counsel Colin O’Neill were present.
- AGENDA** Upon motion by Director DeLaTorre, and seconded by Director Cici, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the agenda for this regular meeting of the Board of Directors held on May 28, 2019.
- PUBLIC COMMENT** Ms. Cici reported that the San Gabriel Elks Club had a very enjoyable Memorial Day event with good community participation.
- MINUTES** Upon motion by Director Chan, and seconded by Director DeLaTorre, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors held on May 14, 2019, as corrected to rectify a typographical error.
- DEMANDS** Upon motion by Director Chan, and seconded by Director Cammarano, the Board voted unanimously to approve the payment of check number 20164 from the General Account in the amount of \$124,123.50 for the Revolving Reimbursement.
- DISTRICT COUNSEL** None.
- ACTION** Upon motion by Director Cici, and seconded by Director Chan, the Board voted unanimously to award the contract for the Mainline Replacement Phase 1 to Fraijo Bros., on the basis of their low bid of \$286,393.15.
- INFORMATION** The April 2019 Banking and Investment Report was received and filed.
- GENERAL MANAGER COMMENTS** The General Manager reported that he and staff had participated in webinar concerning SB 998, which will become effective April 1, 2020. The new law imposes new specific procedures that must be adhered to in the process of shutting off service to a customer. It will significantly affect the District’s current shut-off policy and procedure.

The General Manager reported that ACWA had generated a coalition letter against the proposed “water tax,” and supporting instead the alternative of a trust.

The General Manager reported that he had spoken personally with the City Manager about an accounting error that the agencies are working to rectify.

The General Manager reported on a LAFCO informational event, a focus of which was the cautionary tale of the Sativa Water District: a relatively small water district in Los Angeles that was scandal-ridden and had management and operational issues that made it no longer viable on its own, and it had to be taken over.

The General Manager informed that he would like to take staff on an employee appreciation event Dodger game, much like the hockey game the General Manager arranged for staff last year, which was well enjoyed. The board conveyed its approval by concurrence.

**FUTURE
AGENDA
ITEMS**

None.

**DIRECTOR
COMMENTS**

Director Cammarano confirmed her attendance at the upcoming sexual harassment training program, and fellow Board members discussed the scheduling of their respective attendance.

Director Chan inquired as to a class action settlement notice to the District, concerning a settlement of a lawsuit brought against manufacturers of liquid aluminum sulfate. District counsel explained the nature of the lawsuit and resultant letter(s), and that the District is not actually eligible for a share in the settlement because it does not purchase that particular chemical.

Director Chan inquired as to the enforcement mechanics of the 55-gallon daily limit per household member, and a discussion ensued among the Board as to the difficulty in implementing such a restriction.

Director Chan inquired as to the current legislative status of the water tax. Staff advised that it was still being negotiated and was still under active consideration.

Director Cammarano informed the Board that the following evening there would be a California Common Cause workshop concerning voting and election standards, and that she would report back to the Board with her observations about the program.

Director Cici stated that he agreed in principle with a previous mention of possibly expanding the Board room, for the sake of capacity, and that he would be interested in seeing a cost proposal for such a project.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Director Cammarano, and seconded by Director Chan, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

President

Secretary

[SEAL]

Report Criteria:

Vendor Number = 12031
Invoice.Created by = "mpena"

05/27/2019					
12031 Revolving Reimbursement					
5/28/19 BOARD PR	Invoice	Board Payroll Reimbursement	05/28/2019	445.90	
12031 Revolving Reimbursement					
5/29/19 PR	Invoice	Payroll Reimbursement	05/29/2019	62,318.11	
Total 05/27/2019:					62,764.01
Grand Totals:					62,764.01

Report GL Period Summary

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 Total number of transactions: 0

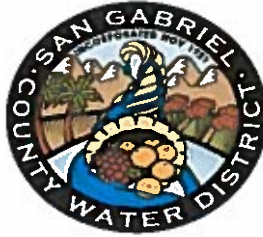
Report Criteria:

Report type: Summary
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Bank Bank number = {=} 3

GL Period	Check Issue Date	Check Number	Vendor Number	Payee	Check GL Account	Amount
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05/19	05/13/2019	11838	10062	Pacific Coast OMS	102000	251.00
05/19	05/13/2019	11839	10335	Roger W. Anderson, DDS	102000	301.00
05/19	05/14/2019	11840	13217	Anthony Piscopo	102000	280.00
05/19	05/14/2019	11841	12209	Paul M. Reischl, DDS	102000	195.00
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05/19	05/14/2019	11843	13785	Thomas C. Nelson, DDS	102000	120.00
05/19	05/14/2019	11844	13239	Three Valleys Municipal Water District	102000	60.00
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05/19	05/14/2019	11846	13529	Eric Chan	102000	.00
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05/19	05/15/2019	11848	11940	Lincoln National Life Insurance Co.	102000	3,075.00
05/19	05/15/2019	11849	10052	Oscar Valenzuela	102000	177.00
05/19	05/15/2019	11850	10068	Arlen Vartanian D.D.S., Inc.	102000	827.00
05/19	05/15/2019	11851	12674	U.S. Bank	102000	1,193.65
05/19	05/23/2019	11852	13701	Mary Ann Ebba, DMD	102000	115.00
05/19	05/23/2019	11853	13785	Thomas C. Nelson, DDS	102000	600.00
05/19	05/28/2019	11854	13529	Eric Chan	102000	92.35
05/19	05/29/2019	11855	12435	George Atilano	102000	70.00
05/19	05/29/2019	11856	11940	Lincoln National Life Insurance Co.	102000	3,075.00
05/19	05/30/2019	11857	10075	American Wrecking , Inc.	102000	1,500.00
05/19	05/30/2019	11858	10076	Excel Paving Co.	102000	1,160.00
05/19	05/30/2019	11859	10070	Kafe Design & Construction	102000	59.13
05/19	05/31/2019	11860	10335	Roger W. Anderson, DDS	102000	574.00

Grand Totals:

15,402.48



Water Levels as of May 31, 2019

Listed below are the water levels in the Baldwin Park Key Well and Wells owned and operated by San Gabriel County Water District.

The Baldwin Park Key Well is located in the central portion of the San Gabriel Valley within the City of Baldwin Park and is used by the Main San Gabriel Basin Watermaster to monitor changes in the groundwater supply for the Basin. Each vertical foot is equivalent to about 8,000 acre-feet of groundwater in the Main Basin. The Key Well elevation is measured at sea level.

	<u>MAY 2018</u>	<u>MAY 2019</u>
Baldwin Park Key Well	180.9	195.5

Reservoir Storage in the San Gabriel Canyon:

Cogswell Reservoir	11,136 acre-feet
San Gabriel Reservoir	43,646 acre-feet
Morris Reservoir	<u>28,696 acre-feet</u>
Total Storage Capacity	83,478 acre-feet

As of May 28, 2019 combined storage was 73,123 acre-feet (88 percent of capacity)

San Gabriel County Water District

Listed below are water levels measured at static and pumping and also pump depth.

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2019</u>	
	STATIC	PUMPING	STATIC	PUMPING	PUMP DEPTH
<u>Raymond Basin</u>					
Well #16	243.5	325	267	364	423
<u>Main San Gabriel Basin</u>					
Well #9	NM	402.5	NM	393.5	471
Well #11	222	NM	232	267.5	483
Well #12	229.5	258.5	227	250	380
Well #14	203	284.5	190.5	272	381
Well #15	389	425	377	416	650