

Minutes of the Casitas Municipal Water District
Board Meeting Held
November 22, 2011

A meeting of the Board of Directors was held November 22, 2011 at Casitas' Office, Oak View, California. Directors Kaiser, Baggerly, Word, Hicks and Bergen were present. Also present were Steve Wickstrum, General Manager, Rebekah Vieira, Clerk of the Board, and Attorney, John Mathews. There was one staff member and two members of the public in attendance. President Kaiser led the group in the flag salute.

1. Public comments.

None

2. General Manager comments.

Mr. Wickstrum reported that he had contacted the Bureau of Reclamation attempting to get an update on the Safety of Dams. They will try to find the unsigned letter and move it along. We met in January of last year to discuss this and I called Michael Jackson two months ago and spoke to Rena in August and a few months prior to that. Mr. Wickstrum added that he had discussed our final payment in January and the possibility of relief from the annual RRA forms. It is a year long process to finalize the last payment.

3. Board of Director comments.

Director Word reported he had attended the City of Ventura water rate hearing and they are behind in terms of capital improvements, programs and funding. Water rates in the city of Ventura will have sizable increases.

4. Consent Agenda

ADOPTED

- a. Minutes of the November 9, 2011 Board Meeting.

The consent agenda was offered by Director Hicks, seconded by Director Baggerly and passed with Director Word abstaining as he had not attended the meeting.

5. Bills

APPROVED

On the motion of Director Hicks, seconded by Director Word and passed, the bills were approved.

6. Committee/Manager Reports

APPROVED FOR FILING

- a. Recreation Committee Minutes

Director Bergen pointed out a typo on item 6, line 2.

On the motion of Director Baggerly, seconded by Director Bergen and passed the Committee/Manager Reports with corrections were approved for filing.

7. Recommend approval of an agreement with Western Outdoor News for the 2012 Night Fishing Tournaments. APPROVED

On the motion of Director Word, seconded by Director Hicks and passed, the above recommendation was approved.

8. Recommend consideration of a fee waiver for Ms. and Mr. Petrowski annual boat decals for years 09/10 and 10/11. DENIED

Park Services Manager Carol Belser reported an issue that was discussed at the Recreation Committee regarding a vessel under the name of Sherry Petrowski that was not in compliance. We sent a notice and in June of 2011 Mrs. Petrowski paid for a decal but they have been out of compliance since 2008. They wrote a letter asking for a fee waiver as they state they were not the owners of the boat. We have up to 15 vessels not in compliance that are moored. We are looking to update the agreement in our new concession agreement to have moored vessels to be in compliance and if not, in 30 days, we invoice the marina. We are working with the current and future concessionaires to rectify this issue.

Director Baggerly asked if there was any correspondence or notification to the Petrowskis from 2008 – 2010. Ms. Belser informed the board that when it expired we sent a letter and notify Mr. Wolfe. We talked to Bait and Tackle staff asking them to remind the customer. Mr. Wolfe commented that we remind the customers on a regular basis. Mr. Wolfe suggested that rather than create a situation whereby others may request similar waivers; the marina would cover the cost.

On the motion of Director Bergen, seconded by Director Baggerly and passed with Director Hicks voting no, the above proposal was denied and the offer of Mr. Wolfe was accepted.

9. Information Items:

- a. News Articles.
- b. Investment Report.

10. Closed Session

- a. (Govt. Code Sec. 54956.9 (c))
Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation (One case).

President Kaiser moved the meeting to closed session at 3:30 p.m. with Mr. Mathews stating we are going into closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (c) Conference with legal counsel, anticipated litigation, one case.

President Kaiser reconvened the meeting into open session at 4:32 p.m. and Mr. Mathews stated that the board met and discussed the potential litigation with counsel and staff and there was no action.

11. Adjournment

President Kaiser adjourned the meeting at 4:34 p.m.

James W. Word, Secretary
Board of Directors