

Approved

**SOMIS CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE
VENTURA COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 19
MINUTES OF THE JUNE 15, 2023, MEETING**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Michael Mishler-Chair
David Hutter-Vice Chair, ,
Michael Morgan, Keith Huss, Tyler Cobb

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF: Joseph Pope, Director
Scott Meckstroth, Deputy Director
Ryan Lippincott, Engineering Manager
Jean Fontayne, Staff Services Manager
Sean Hanley, Water Superintendent
Maryann Ranallo, Management Asst
Joe Valdivia, WW Services Supervisor
Brendan Gonzalez, Administrative Asst

GUESTS: Marcy Nunn

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1. CALL TO ORDER
The meeting was called to order at 3:30PM
INTRODUCTION of WWD19, WS Staff to new CAC Members
2. NOMINATION AND APPROVAL of Chair and Vice Chair for Citizens' Advisory Committee
A decision was made to push the Nomination for vote on Chair and Vice Chair, to next meeting.
3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE December 15, 2022, MEETING
Joseph Pope moved to approve the minutes. David Hutter approved. Mike Morgan Stays, Tyler Cobb seconded.
Vote: Ayes – four. Nos – zero Abstained - one.
4. PUBLIC COMMENTS
 - o Joe read a letter sent from a past CAC Member (Kathy Janowski) expressing concern about the CAC 19 Members being replaced members who are not part of the Somis Community and asking the current Members to take their role seriously and represent the community's interests.

- Lynette Buchanan-Roth a past CAC Member wrote an email expressing concern about CAC 19 Members being part of Somis Community and their community's best interest.
- Each new CAC member gave an introduction and discussed their role in wanting to be a part of CAC19.

5. DIRECTOR'S INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- AMI Report
District 19 lost 1 member, who dropped out of AMI. Explaining the use of AMI and its importance detecting leaks.
- WWD#19 System Overview
Local wells make up 96% total water, Calleguas purchased water is about 4%. 1069 metered customers. Managing wells and sources. We do Chloramine Disinfection. 46 miles of main pipeline. Pump stations. SCADA (Control System). AMI highlights.
- Brown Act Changes
Governs how we do meetings. Changes are the CAC Members must be present in the on-site meeting. Emergency only for attending virtual. Joe will send out details to WWD19 next week.

6. DISTRICT STAFF REPORT

A. OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE UPDATE

- Periodic Activity and Other Activity in O&M.
- Summary of the Quarterly Source Water; Wells 2, 3, 4
- Water Demand
- Water Supply
- Hydrographs of wells, Pumping, Static, Flow Rate

B. CAPITAL PROJECTS REVIEW

- Engineering works on smaller/development projects
- On site work and offsite pipeline in progress. Booster Pump Station.
- In the future Cal Trans pipe, we pay the cost to relocate the pipe.
- 571 Pump Station. Building another tank. Demo existing tank, build a new Pump Station. Then add second Tank.
- Well 2 Rehabilitation
- Heat Map, Pipeline schedule
- Well 2 Treatment Facility basically with Grant funds

C. WATER QUALITY REPORT

- 2 water quality, 1 water pressure complaints

D. WATER SUPPLY CONDITIONS

- Most of the state, the Reservoirs are full now.
- Drought Classification changed dramatically from last year to this year.

- Snow Water Content higher than normal
 - State Water Allocation set at 100%
- E. FOX CANYON GROUND WATER MANAGEMENT AGENCY UPDATE
- None
- F. AN UPDATE OF THE LOS POSAS VALLEY WATER RIGHTS COALITION ADJUDICATION
- Going in front of the Judge in May for Phase III.
- G. CALLEGUAS MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT/ METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA UPDATE
- Calleguas is engaging with Met to get ground water for a discounted price.
- H. AVENUES OF PUBLIC OUTREACH
- Calendar contest going out to local schools.
- I. BOARD LETTER TRACKER – AN UPDATE ON VENTURA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ITEMS RELATED TO THE DISTRICT
- 4/11 Hwy 118 Caltrans Project Waterline Relocation
 - 4/25 Rescind Level 3 Shortage
- J. BUDGET AND FINANCIAL REVIEW
- Projecting a good end of year balance. We map everything out to get a base budget. Last July 2022 was a 2.5% increase. Ag and residential rates. Well 2 Project is being funded with the increase. We haven't drawn on \$767K loan which is what we can use on a different project. Somis Farm, working Housing has helped. We are collecting a surcharge that we set aside for projects that come up. We are showing a little loss of Operations. In the fall, we will come to you to suggest a rate adjustment. Current Cash Reserve Analysis was reviewed.
7. COMMITTEE MEMBERS COMMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
- Michael Mishler would like to know when we will be removing non-native plants? It is scheduled to do Arundel removal. Nothing updated.
 - Have we talked about Stormwater diversion (Using recharge-basin or Aquafer)? District 1 we did a study, not for District 19. Send Michael a link to the study we did on Stormwater diversion.
8. ADJOURNMENT
- The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.