

**MINUTES**  
**CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER**  
**WATERMASTER BOARD MEETING**

January 23, 2020

The Watermaster Board meeting was held at the offices of the Chino Basin Watermaster located at 9641 San Bernardino Road, Rancho Cucamonga, CA on January 23, 2020.

**WATERMASTER BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Jeff Pierson, Chair  
James Curatalo, Vice-Chair  
Bob Kuhn, Secretary/Treasurer  
Bob Bowcock  
Paul Hofer  
Steve Elie  
Peter Rogers  
Don Galleano

Agricultural Pool – Crops  
Fontana Union Water Company  
Three Valleys Municipal Water District  
CalMat Co.  
Agricultural Pool – Crops  
Inland Empire Utilities Agency  
City of Chino Hills  
Western Municipal Water District

**WATERMASTER BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

Robert DeLoach

City of Pomona

**WATERMASTER STAFF PRESENT**

Peter Kavounas  
Joseph Joswiak  
Anna Nelson  
Edgar Tellez Foster  
Justin Nakano

General Manager  
Chief Financial Officer  
Executive Services Director/Board Clerk  
Senior Environmental Engineer  
Water Resources Senior Associate

**WATERMASTER CONSULTANTS PRESENT**

Brad Herrema  
Andy Malone  
Veva Weamer

Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP  
Wildermuth Environmental, Inc.  
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**OTHERS PRESENT**

Justin Scott-Coe  
Pete Hall  
Erik Gaiser  
Josh Swift  
Cris Fealy  
Ron Craig  
John Bosler  
Chris Berch  
Eunice Ulloa  
Matt Litchfield  
Andrew Gagen  
Steve Corrington  
Dave Crosley  
Betty Anderson  
Victor Preciado  
Chris Diggs  
Bob Feenstra  
Joshua Aguilar  
David De Jesus  
Manny Martinez  
Gino Filippi  
Tom O'Neill

Monte Vista Water District  
State of California – CIM  
GEI Consultants, Inc.  
Fontana Union Water Company  
Fontana Water Company  
City of Chino Hills  
Cucamonga Valley Water District  
Jurupa Community Services District  
City of Chino  
Three Valleys Municipal Water District  
Kidman Gagen Law, LLP  
MIH Water Treatment, Inc.  
City of Chino  
Jurupa Community Services District  
City of Pomona  
City of Pomona  
Agricultural Pool – Dairy  
Inland Empire Utilities Agency  
Three Valleys Municipal Water District  
Monte Vista Water District  
Agricultural Pool – Crops  
Chino Basin Desalter Authority

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Pierson, the 2019 Chair called the Watermaster Board meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**AGENDA – ADDITIONS/REORDER**

None

**INTRODUCTIONS – CALENDAR YEAR 2020 WATERMASTER BOARD MEMBERS**

|                         |   |
|-------------------------|---|
| Overlying (Ag) Pool     | Paul Hofer  |
| Overlying (Ag) Pool     | Jeff Pierson                                      |
| Overlying (Non-Ag) Pool | Bob Bowcock                                       |
| Appropriative Pool      | Robert DeLoach (City of Pomona)                   |
| Appropriative Pool      | Peter Rogers (City of Chino Hills)                |
| Appropriative Pool      | James Curatalo (Fontana Union Water Company)      |
| Municipal               | Steve Elie (Inland Empire Utilities Agency)       |
| Municipal               | Don Galleano (Western Municipal Water District)   |
| Municipal               | Bob Kuhn (Three Valleys Municipal Water District) |

(0:01:23) Mr. Pierson introduced and welcomed the 2020 Board members and turned control of the meeting over to Mr. Herrema to conduct the election of officers.

**I. CALENDAR YEAR 2020 OFFICERS – ACTION**

**A. ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

|                     |                       |
|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Chair               | <u>Jeff Pierson</u>   |
| Vice-Chair          | <u>James Curatalo</u> |
| Secretary/Treasurer | <u>Bob Kuhn</u>       |

(0:03:37)

*Motion by Mr. Steve Elie, seconded by Mr. Don Galleano, and by unanimous vote*

***Moved to elect the slate of Board Members indicated above as Calendar Year 2020 Watermaster Board Officers .***

The Board took a recess to take annual photographs.

(0:05:20) The newly reelected Chair, Mr. Jeff Pierson, resumed the meeting.

**II. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**Note: All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and non-controversial and will be acted upon by one motion in the form listed below. There will be no separate discussion on these items prior to voting unless any members, staff, or the public requests specific items be discussed and/or removed from the Consent Calendar for separate action.**

**A. MINUTES**

Approve as presented:

1. Minutes of the Watermaster Board Meeting held December 19, 2019

**B. FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Receive and file as presented:

1. Cash Disbursements for the month of November 2019
2. Watermaster VISA Check Detail for the month of November 2019
3. Combining Schedule for the Period July 1, 2019 through November 30, 2019
4. Treasurer's Report of Financial Affairs for the Period November 1, 2019 through November 30, 2019
5. Budget vs. Actual Report for the Period July 1, 2019 through November 30, 2019

**C. CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER INVESTMENT POLICY**

Approve Resolution 2020-01 – Resolution of the Chino Basin Watermaster, San Bernardino County, California, Re-Authorizing the Watermaster's Investment Policy.

**D. LOCAL AGENCY INVESTMENT FUND**

Approve Resolution 2020-02 – Resolution Authorizing Investment of Monies in the Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF).

**E. CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER 42<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL REPORT**

Adopt the 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Report, along with filing a copy with the Court, subject to any necessary non-substantive changes.

**F. APPLICATION: RECHARGE – CUCAMONGA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT**

Approve Cucamonga Valley Water District's Application for Recharge and direct Watermaster staff to account for this supplemental water recharged in Cucamonga Valley Water District's existing Local Supplemental Storage account.

**G. APPLICATION: WATER TRANSACTION – SAN ANTONIO WATER COMPANY TO CUCAMONGA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT**

Approve the proposed transaction:

The transfer of 174.0 acre-feet of water from San Antonio Water Company to Cucamonga Valley Water District. This transfer is made from San Antonio Water Company's Local Supplemental Account. Date of application: October 28, 2019.

**H. NOTICE OF INTENT TO CHANGE THE OPERATING SAFE YIELD OF THE CHINO GROUNDWATER BASIN**

**I. 2020 HEARING OFFICER PANEL APPOINTMENT**

Appoint the recommended panel of five, to be reconsidered periodically and no less frequently than annually.

(0:05:39)

*Motion by Mr. Paul Hofer, seconded by Mr. Steve Elie, and by unanimous vote*

***Moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.***

**III. BUSINESS ITEMS**

**NONE**

**IV. REPORTS/UPDATES**

**A. LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT**

1. Ely 3 Basin Complaint

(0:06:10) Mr. Herrema gave a report. A discussion ensued.

**B. ENGINEER REPORT**

1. 2020 Safe Yield Recalculation
2. 2020 OBMP Update
3. TCP Assessment in MZ-1

(0:08:21) Mr. Malone gave a report on IV.B.1. and gave a presentation on IV.B.2. A discussion ensued.

(0:08:37) Mr. Feenstra replaced Mr. Hofer at the dais.

(0:20:11) During discussion of IV.B.2., Mr. Elie suggested staff put together an overview of the OBMP showcasing a historical perspective, which would allow stakeholders to further understand the benefits and collaborate on these types of regional efforts. Mr. Kavounas stated he would put together an overview to bring back to the Board at a future meeting.

(0:25:16) Ms. Weamer gave a presentation on IV.B.3. A discussion ensued.

**C. CFO REPORT**

1. Status of FY 2019/20 Assessment Payments

(0:34:42) Mr. Joswiak gave a report.

**D. GM REPORT**

1. Exhibit "G" Physical Solution Transfers
2. Status of Replenishment Water Delivery
3. Agricultural Pool Storage Contest
4. Other

(0:37:32) Mr. Kavounas gave an introduction and invited Ms. Nelson and Mr. Nakano to give reports on IV.D.1 and IV.D.2 respectively.

(0:37:50) Ms. Nelson gave a report. A discussion ensued.

(0:39:24) Mr. Nakano gave a report.

(0:40:04) Mr. Kavounas gave a report on item IV.D.3. and also gave an update on the Shoes That Fit charity that Watermaster staff and stakeholders took part in. A discussion ensued.

**V. INFORMATION**

1. Cash Disbursements for December 2019

**VI. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS**

(0:42:02) Mr. Feenstra commented on the upcoming Judge elections. A discussion ensued.

(0:43:41) Director Galleano welcomed back Directors Peter Rogers and James Curatalo to the Watermaster Board.

**VII. OTHER BUSINESS**

(0:44:04) Chair Pierson inquired about the potential joint IEUA/CBWM Board meeting in the springtime to further collaborate on the OBMP Update process. A discussion ensued.

(0:45:38) Chair Pierson stated that he would reach out to Board members to form an ad hoc committee and coordinate the next joint IEUA/CBWM Board meeting for the springtime.

(0:46:54) Mr. Kavounas announced the passing of Mr. Arnold Rodriguez, General Manager at the Santa Ana River Water Company. A discussion ensued.

**VIII. CONFIDENTIAL SESSION - POSSIBLE ACTION**

A Confidential Session may be held during the Advisory Committee meeting for the purpose of discussion and possible action.

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Pierson adjourned the Watermaster Board meeting at 11:53 a.m. in Mr. Arnold Rodriguez' memory.

Secretary: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ February 27, 2020