



PAJARO VALLEY WATER MANAGEMENT AGENCY

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**Board of Directors Meeting
January 19, 2022, 7:00 p.m.**

Teleconference

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

1. Call to Order: The Regular Board Meeting of Pajaro Valley Water Management Agency was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Newell, via teleconference

2. Roll call of the PV WATER Directors:

Board Members Present: Newell, Rider, Zamora, Culbertson, Bannister, Broz

Board Members Absent: Sanchez

Staff Members Present: Brian Lockwood, General Manager (GM)
Helen Rodriguez, Financial/Admin Services Manager (FASM)
Laura R. Taay, Board Secretary
Marcus Mendiola, Water Conservation and Outreach Specialist (WCOS)

Others Present: Tory Thompson, Agency Counsel (AC)
Jerry Busch, Public
Louise Combes, Aromas Water District
Michael Guth, Public
Robert Johnson, Aromas Water District
Gary Kittleson, Consultant, Kittleson Environmental Consultant
Tom Rider, Public

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Oral Communications: None

5. Director Comments:

- Director Culbertson reported on a recent meeting he attended for of the Pajaro River Flood Control District (FCD). He stated the FCD will be voting to place an assessment on the ballot for property owners in the affected area. The assessment will be for an operations and maintenance fee, estimated at \$1.2 M for the improvement of the levy. The federal government is to pay over \$4 M for the improvement but will only do this if there are funds to maintain what they build. This fee will be landowner shared. An assessment formula and flood risk will determine how much will be taxed per parcel.

6. Counsel Report: Tory Thompson filling in for AC Condotti. Nothing to report.

7. **General Manager Report:** GM Lockwood reported on:
- Reminder of a free workshop concerning Board Member Best Practices, Tuesday, January 25, 10 a.m. – 12 noon, hosted by Santa Cruz County Branch of CSDA and Santa Cruz County LAFCO. The two topics will be:
 - 1) The Brown Act
 - 2) California Public Records Act
 - Image shown of Cumulative Precipitation from WY 1908 – current. The chart was prepared by Associate Hydrologist Casey Meusel.

8. **Consent Agenda**

- A. Approval of Resolution 2022-01 Re-Authorizing Remote Teleconference Meeting of the Legislative Bodies of the Pajaro Valley Water Management Agency Pursuant to Brown Act Provisions
- B. Approval of December 22, 2021 Minutes
- C. Approval of Financial Reports
- D. Approval of Resolution 2022-02 Designating General Manager, or Designee, as the Authorized Representative to file an Application and Execute Agreements with the California Department of Water Resources for a 2021 Sustainable Groundwater Management (SHM) Grant Program Implementation Grant
- E. Approval of Amendment to Agreement with Smith & Associates, Inc. for College Lake Integrated Resources Management Project Pipeline Property Appraisals in an amount not to exceed \$120,000
- F. Approval of the Finance & Administration Services Manager Salary Schedule

Action: Director Bannister moved to approve the Consent Agenda; seconded by Director Rider.

Motion carried by the following voice vote:

AYES: Newell, Rider, Zamora, Bannister, Broz, Culbertson
NOES: None
ABSENT: Sanchez
ABSTAIN: None

9. **Informational Items**

- A. Received Basin Management Plan Implementation Update from GM Lockwood

10. **Discussion and/or Action Items**

- A. Consider 2 Agreements Authorizing Aromas Water District to Annex and Extend Service to 27 Parcels along Cole Road and 6 Parcels along Rocks Road in San Benito County
 GM Lockwood provided a brief summary of the request from Aromas Water District and introduced Aromas Water District (AWD) General Manager, Robert Johnson, who provided further details. AWD received requests from property owners in both the Cole Road and Rocks Road areas asking for annexation due to health and safety reasons because their wells are providing limited amounts of water and this has been going on for many years. AWD sent out a questionnaire to property owners to determine how many would request the annexation. The final numbers for this request was 27 properties on Cole Road and 6 properties on Rocks Road. If the PV Water Board approves the agreements, the next step would be for AWD staff to meet the Local Area Foundation Commission (LAFCO) to discuss specific actions that would need to be completed prior to LAFCO approval.

Action: Director Rider moved for the Board to authorize Aromas Water District to annex and extend service to 27 Parcels along Cole Road and 6 Parcels along Rocks Road in San Benito County; seconded by Director Zamora.

Motion carried by the following voice vote:

AYES: Newell, Rider, Zamora, Culbertson, Bannister, Broz
NOES: None
ABSENT: Sanchez
ABSTAIN: None

B. Consider Adoption of Resolution 2022-03 Endorsing the College Lake Integrated Resources Management Project Adaptive Management Plan 2022, Fulfilling Environmental Impact Report Mitigation Measures, and Directing the General Manager, or designee, to Implement the Adaptive Management Plan

GM Lockwood introduced this item and referred to the comprehensive presentation given to the Board on this subject matter, at its December 22, 2021 meeting. One member of the Ad Hoc Adaptive Management Plan Committee, and one member of the Sierra Club provided comment.

Action: Director Culbertson moved for the Board to adopt Resolution 2022-03, Adopting the College Lake Integrated Resources Management Project Adaptive Management Plan 2022, Fulfilling Environmental Impact Report Mitigation Measures, and Directing the General Manager, or Designee, to implement the Adaptive Management Plan; seconded by Director Rider.

Motion carried by the following voice vote:

AYES: Newell, Rider, Zamora, Culbertson, Bannister, Broz
NOES: None
ABSENT: Sanchez
ABSTAIN: None

C. Consider Dissolving Ad Hoc Committees: Ad Hoc Funding Committee, Ad Hoc Sustainable Groundwater Planning Advisory Committee, and Ad Hoc Adaptive Management Plan Committee, and Recognizing Committee Members for their Outstanding Service

GM Lockwood thanked the Ad Hoc Committee members for having completed the purpose of the respective committees, and for their time and service. GM Lockwood suggested PV Water host an event in the spring, pending COVID-19 conditions, to celebrate the work of the Ad Hoc Committee members.

Action: Director Rider moved for the Board to dissolve the Ad Hoc Committees: Ad Hoc Funding Committee, Ad Hoc Sustainable Groundwater Planning Advisory Committee, and Ad Hoc Adaptive Management Plan committee, and recognize the committee members for their outstanding service; seconded by Director Bannister.

Motion carried by the following voice vote:

AYES: Newell, Rider, Zamora, Culbertson, Bannister, Broz
NOES: None
ABSENT: Sanchez
ABSTAIN: None

11. Monthly Reports/Presentations

- A. Facility Operations Report
 - 1. Received 2022 Supplemental Water Production Monthly Summary Report
- B. Board Committee Reports available at www.pvwater.org
- C. Public Outreach Update

12. Correspondence

13. Future Meetings

- A. Project & Facility Operations Committee, Wednesday, January 26, 2022, 3:00 p.m. Teleconference
- B. Administrative/Finance Committee, Tuesday, February 8, 2022, 3:00 p.m., Teleconference
- C. Board of Directors, Wednesday, February 16, 2022, 7:00 p.m., Teleconference
- D. Project & Facility Operations Committee, Wednesday, February 23, 2022, 3:00 p.m., Teleconference

Adjourned at 8:25 p.m.



Laura R. Taay, Board Secretary



Date Approved