PAJARO VALLEY WATER MANAGEMENT AGENCY

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Board of Directors Meeting
January 17, 2024, 6:00 p.m.

City Council Chambers
275 Main Street, 4th Floor, Watsonville

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Newell was unable to call the meeting to order at the published start time due to lack of quorum, the Board members present went straight to Agenda Item 5, The Regular Board Meeting of Pajaro Valley Water Management Agency was called to order at 7:10 p.m., with a quorum, by Chair Newell, at the City Council Chambers, 275 Main St., 4th Floor, Watsonville, CA

2. **Roll call of the PV WATER Directors:**

Board Members Present:	Newell, Rider, Broz, Sanchez (6:50)
Board Members Absent:	Culbertson, Bannister, Zamora
Staff Members Present:	Brian Lockwood, General Manager (GM) Laura R. Taay, Board Secretary Nancy Trevino, Finance & Admin Services Manager (FASM)
Others Present:	Tony Condotti, Agency Counsel (AC) Samuel Humy, Associate Agency Counsel (closed session only) Jonathan Abadesco, Consultant, CJ Brown & Co.CPAs Scott Ferguson, Consultant, Jones Hall, Law Corporation Lidia Gutierrez, Consultant, Gutierrez Consultants, Inc. Craig Hill, Consultant, NHA Advisors Christian Sprunger, Consultant, NHA Advisors Tom Rider, Public

3. **Pledge of Allegiance**

4. **Oral Communications:** None

5. **Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation**
   (Cal. Gov't Code §54956.9(d)(1)
   Pajaro Valley Water Management Agency v, Melgoza – SCSC Case No. 22CV01269

   Open Session at 7:10 p.m.

   Report on Closed Session – AC Condotti reported no closed session due to no quorum.

6. **Director Comments:** None

7. **Counsel Report:** No report

8. General Manager Report: No report

9. Consent Agenda

A. Approve December 20, 2023, Minutes
B. Approve Financial Reports
C. Adopt Resolution 2024-01, Amending Administration and Finance Committee Bylaws

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

Motion carried by the following voice vote:

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

10. Informational Items

A. Received Basin Management Plan Implementation Update from GM Lockwood

11. Discussion and/or Action Items

A. Consider Accepting and Filing the Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2023
GM Lockwood introduced Jonathan Abadesco, CPA, with CJ Brown & Co., CPAs, who summarized the Annual Financial Report Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023.

The presentation posted at https://www.pvwater.org/director-agendas.

Action: Director Broz moved for the Board to accept and file the Financial Report for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2023; seconded by Director Sanchez.

Motion carried by the following voice vote:

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

B. Consider adopting (a) Resolution No. 2024-02 Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of Water Revenue Certificates of Participation to Finance a Portion of the College Lake Integrated Resources Management Project, and Approving Related Documents and Actions and (b) Resolution No. 2024-03 Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of Water Revenue Certificates of Participation to Finance a Portion of the Watsonville Slough System Managed Aquifer Recharge & Recovery Project, and Approving Related Documents and Actions
GM Lockwood introduced this item and then welcomed Christian Sprunger, Municipal Financial Advisor, NHA Advisors, who delivered a presentation that explained the background, financing needs, and anticipated structure of the WIFIA loan process.

The presentation posted at https://www.pvwater.org/director-agendas.

Action: Director Sanchez moved for the Board to adopt Resolution 2024-02, Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of Water Revenue Certificate of Participation 2024A to Finance a Portion

of the College Lake Integrated Resources Management Project, and Approving Related Documents and Actions and Resolution 2024-03, Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of Water Revenue Certificate of Participation 2024B to Finance a Portion of the Watsonville Slough System Managed Aquifer Recharge & Recovery Project, and Approving Related Documents and Actions; seconded by Director Broz.

Motion carried by the following voice vote:

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

C. Consider Agreement with Gutierrez Consultants, Inc. for California Department of Conservation Multibenefit Land Repurposing Program Grant Administration in an amount not to exceed $705,795 through March 30, 2027

GM Lockwood summarized the California Department of Conservation (DoC) $8.89 million Multibenefit Land Repurposing Program (MLRP) grant that was awarded to Pajaro Valley Water Management Agency (PV Water) and partners in November 2023. The partners include Resource Conservation District of Santa Cruz County (RCD), the University of California at Santa Cruz, the Land Trust of Santa Cruz County, Watsonville Wetlands Watch, the Pajaro Regional Flood Management Agency, and the Nature Conservancy. The City of Watsonville and the Amah Mutsun Land Trust are collaborators with PV Water and partners on this project.
As the grantee, PV Water will serve as Grant Administrator for the MLRP Grant. Gutierrez Consultants, Inc. will provide administrative services, which are 100% reimbursable from the grant, up to approx. $705,795.

Lidia Gutierrez, Consultant, was present to answer questions from the Board and public.

The presentation posted at https://www.pvwater.org/director-agendas.

Action: Director Broz moved for the Board to approve the agreement with Gutierrez Consultants, Inc., in substantially the same form as the version attached, for California Department of Conservation Multibenefit Land Repurposing Program Grant Administration in an amount not to exceed $705,795 through March 30, 2027; seconded by Director Rider.

Motion carried by the following voice vote:

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

12. Monthly Reports/Presentations

A. Facility Operations Report
   1. Received 2023 Supplemental Water Production Monthly Summary Report
B. Board Committee Reports available at https://www.pvwater.org/director-agendas
C. Public Outreach Update

13. Correspondence

14. Future Meetings

A. Project & Facility Operations Committee, Wednesday, January 31, 2024, 3:00 p.m., PV Water Conference Room, 36 Brennan St., Watsonville
B. Administrative/Finance Committee, Tuesday, February 13, 2024, 3:00 p.m., PV Water Conference Room, 36 Brennan St., Watsonville
C. Board of Directors, Wednesday, February 21, 2024,7:00 p.m., PV Water Conference Room, 36 Brennan St., Watsonville
D. Project & Facility Operations Committee, Wednesday, February 28, 2024, 3:00 p.m., PV Water Conference Room, 36 Brennan St., Watsonville

Adjourned at 8:14 p.m. to Pajaro Valley Water Management Agency Financing Corporation Meeting

Laura R Taay

Laura R. Taay, Board Secretary

February 21, 2024

Date Approved