

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
BUENA VISTA WATER STORAGE DISTRICT, BUENA VISTA GROUNDWATER
SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY AND
BUENA VISTA COALITION**

September 18, 2024

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Buena Vista Water Storage District was held at the district office at 525 N. Main Street, Buttonwillow, California, on Wednesday, September 18, 2024 at the hour of 12:30 p.m.

Call to Order: The President took a roll call at 12:30 p.m.

The following Directors were present:

Mr. Terry Chicca
Mr. Julien Parsons
Mr. Jeof Wyrick

The following Directors were absent:

Mr. John Vidovich
Mr. Craig Andrew

Executive Session: The Board went into Executive Session at 12:30 p.m. Discussions began pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(1) for those certain matters of pending litigation listed on the agenda, and Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2) and/or 54956.9(d)(4) for those matters of potential litigation listed on the agenda and Government Code section 54956.8 real property negotiations listed on the agenda.

The Board returned to Open Session at 1:00 p.m. and Mr. St. Lawrence reported that no action was taken in Executive Session that would require disclosure under the Brown Act.

Others present in open session:

Mr. Tim Ashlock	Mr. Beau Antongiovanni
Mr. Isaac St. Lawrence	Mr. Matt Klassen
Ms. Marybeth Brooks	Mr. Greg Actis
Ms. Angela Thompson	Mr. Tom Toretta
Mr. Amrit Mangat	Mr. Larry Antongiovanni
Mr. Dan Hay	Mr. Jake Cauzza
Mr. Felix Echeverria	Mr. Clifton Lollar
Mr. John Echeverria	Mr. Rod Stiefvater
Mr. Javier Echeverria	Mr. Travis Millwee
Mr. Jeff Parsons	Mr. Greg Riccomini

Minutes: The President stated that copies of the minutes for the meeting held on August 21, 2024, were emailed, and asked if there were any corrections, additions, and/or deletions. None were noted, on motion of Director Parsons, seconded by Director Wyrick the minutes were approved.

Ayes:	Directors Chicca, Parsons, Wyrick
Noes:	None
Absent:	Directors Vidovich, Andrew
Abstain:	None

Public Statements: None

Consent Calendar: The items on the Consent Calendar were as follows:

6. Financial Report:

- (a) *August Payables
 - (b) *Appropriations & Expenditures
7. Other Matters:
 - (a) *Draft Well Unit Map Update
 8. Landowner and M & O Matters
 - (a) *Maintenance Update
 9. Water Supply & Related Issues
 - (a) *Watermaster Report
 10. Project Development and Related Issues:
 - (a) *Belridge Pipeline Project
 - (b) *BV Pipeline
 - (c) *The Palms
 - (d) *Brite Pump Station
 12. Buena Vista Coalition
 13. McAllister Ranch Water Bank
 14. Kern County Water Agency

On motion by Director Wyrick, seconded by Director Parsons, the Board approved the Consent Calendar.

Ayes: Directors Chicca, Parsons, Wyrick
 Noes: None
 Absent: Directors Vidovich, Andrew
 Abstain: None

Financial Report: District Treasurer provided the Board with a written report and verbal report on the district finances. (See also Consent Calendar.)

Ms. Brooks requested consideration from the Board to assign two Board members to serve on the Budget Committee. President Chicca appointed himself and Director Andrew to serve on the Budget Committee for this year. In addition, President Chicca appointed an advisory, non-voting, budget committee consisting of Mr. Mark Romanini, Mr. Jake Cauzza and Mr. Mike Gianinni to provide input to the Budget Committee.

Water Supply: Mr. Mangat gave a verbal report on the district's water supply and carryover numbers.

BV Groundwater Sustainability Agency: Mr. Ashlock and Mr. Isaac St. Lawrence updated the Board on the recent outcome of the litigation against the State Board regarding the Tulare-Lake Basin GSP and Tule Basin probation hearing. Mr. Ashlock informed the Board that two additional tours of the Kern Subbasin, for State Board members are scheduled for September 26 & 27, 2024 and that the past tour had a positive effect. Mr. Ashlock also noted that Mr. Garcia of Buttonwillow County Water District did an excellent job conveying that Buena Vista Water Storage District has been active in helping the community.

Director's Forum: None

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 1:33 p.m.

Assistant Secretary