

Minutes of the Casitas Municipal Water District  
Board Meeting held  
April 10, 2024

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Hajas called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Directors Cole, Brennan, Bergen, Kaiser and Hajas are present. Also present are GM Flood, AGM Dyer, EA Vieira, and Counsel McNulty.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Hajas led the pledge.

4. AGENDA CONFIRMATION

Confirmed as presented.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS - Presentation on District-related items that are not on the agenda - three minute limit.

None

6. CONSENT AGENDA

6.a. Accounts Payable Report.  
[Accounts Payable Report.pdf](#)

6.b. Minutes of the March 27, 2024 Board Meeting.  
[3 27 2024 Min.pdf](#)

The consent agenda was offered by Director Kaiser, seconded by Director Brennan, and adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Directors:	Cole, Brennan, Bergen, Kaiser, Hajas
NOES:	Directors:	None
ABSENT:	Directors:	None

7. ACTION ITEMS

7.a. Workshop for the Draft Casitas MWD Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget  
a. Presentation of the draft Casitas MWD 2024-2025 Budget  
b. Director discussion and direction to staff

c. Consider setting a hearing for the draft budget for the Regular Meeting of the Casitas MWD Board of Directors on May 22, 2024 @ 5PM.  
[Board Memo for FY 2024-25 Budget](#)  
[Workshop.pdf](#) [Draft FY 2024-2025 Draft Budget](#)  
[041024 ATT1.pdf](#)

GM Flood provided a presentation on the draft recommended budget for Fiscal Year 2024 – 2025.

On the motion of Director Cole, seconded by Director Brennan, to set the public hearing for May 22<sup>nd</sup> was approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Directors:	Cole, Brennan, Bergen, Kaiser, Hajas
NOES:	Directors:	None
ABSENT:	Directors:	None

## 8. INFORMATION ITEMS

- 8.a. State Water Project Intertie Report.  
[SWP Intertie Project Cost 3-31-24.pdf](#)
- 8.b. CFD 2013 Report.  
[CFD 2013-1 Project Cost 3-31-2024.pdf](#)
- 8.c. Investment Report.  
[Investment Report FY2024 March.pdf](#)
- 8.d. Adjudication Charges Report.  
[Adjudication Charges YTD 3.31.24.pdf](#)
- 8.e. Consumption Report February 2024.  
[Consumption 2023-2024.pdf](#)
- 8.f. Financials January 2024 and Non-Budgeted Items.  
[Financial Statements 1-31-2024 Summary.pdf](#)

Information items were received.

## 9. GENERAL MANAGER COMMENTS

GM Flood reported we hit the level where we are required to do notifications. We still have about 4,600 acre-feet to go before spill. The incoming storm coming in looks mild. We had an operations meeting this morning on handling it over the weekend. We can throttle Robles back and forth if we need to. Right now, Robles is providing about 70% of the water coming in. Scott Lewis mentioned that in the last two weeks we have done 5,200 acre-feet which is more than thirty of the years when the project has been operating. We will get as much water as we can get in the lake and will shut down

diversions down if the lake spills.

There was a main break last week on the 12-inch main that runs from wellfield to the Arbolada tank. The tank and pump could not keep up with the demand. We valved off that section and will add more valves into that main and do in-house design on the replacement of that run. We have a plan to mitigate it if it were to happen again.

10. BOARD OF DIRECTOR REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED

Director Brennan attended the Ventura Watershed Council meeting along with Director Bergen where the Ojai Land Conservancy provided a presentation on lands they are acquiring on the lower river.

Director Kaiser commented on discussions at the Recreation committee regarding the lake rising so much. It is beautiful. Go to the lake as it has not been this high in quite a while. Director Cole added not since 2006.

11. BOARD OF DIRECTOR COMMENTS PER GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54954.2(a).

President Hajas commended staff on the rapid repair of the pipeline.

President Hajas moved the meeting to closed session at 5:22 p.m.

12. CLOSED SESSION

12.a. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9)

Name of Case: Feiss MD vs Casitas Municipal Water District.

President Hajas moved the meeting back into open session at 5:35 p.m. with Mr. McNulty stating the board met in closed session and no reportable actions were taken.

13. ADJOURNMENT

President Hajas adjourned the meeting at 5:36 p.m.

  
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Mary Bergen, Secretary