Record of the Minutes of the
Beaumont Basin Committee Meeting of the
Beaumont Basin Watermaster
Wednesday, April 6, 2016

Meeting Location:

Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District
560 Magnolia Avenue
Beaumont, CA 92223

I. Call to Order

Chairman Arturo Vela called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

II. Roll Call

City of Banning Arturo Vela Present
City of Beaumont Kyle Warsinski Present
Beaumont Cherry Valley Water District Eric Fraser Present
South Mesa Water Company George Jorritsma Present
Yucaipa Valley Water District Joseph Zoba Present

Kyle Warsinski was present as the alternate representing the City of Beaumont in the absence of Member Dave Dillon. Arturo Vela was present as the alternate representing the City of Banning in the absence of Chairman Duane Burke. Thierry Montoya was present representing legal counsel for the Beaumont Basin Watermaster.

Members of the public who registered their attendance were: Duane Burk, John Ohanian, Carl Kymla, Bill Dickson, Hannibal Blandon, and Tom Shalhoub.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Vela led the pledge of allegiance.

IV. Public Comments

No public comment was received at this time.

V. Consent Calendar

A. Meeting Minutes

1. Meeting Minutes for February 3, 2016

   Member Eric Fraser motioned to approve the consent calendar. The motion was seconded by Member George Jorritsma and passed 5-0.
VI. Reports

A. Report from Engineering Consultant - Hannibal Blandon, ALDA Engineering

Engineer Hannibal Blandon set forth an application from the San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency for a storage account and advised that the intent was to introduce it at the following board meeting as a formal agenda item.

B. Report from Legal Counsel - Thierry Montoya, Alvarado Smith

Legal Counsel Thierry Montoya reported that draft declarations had been prepared for those Members seeking to add alternates to the Watermaster or confirm prior alternates that have not been specifically vetted by the Court, and that once returned, they would be filed with the Court.

VII. Discussion Items

A. Status Report on Water Level Monitoring throughout the Beaumont Basin [Memorandum No. 16-06, Page 6 of 16]

Recommendation: No recommendation.

Engineer Blandon gave a status report of the water level monitoring project, which included proposed monitoring agreements for new sites, discussion of water levels at sites being monitored, and troubleshooting of monitoring equipment issues. He noted that these issues would be addressed that afternoon.

B. Consideration of Task Order No. 11 - Recalibration of the northwest portion of the Beaumont Basin groundwater model to more accurately represent water levels in the area [Memorandum No. 16-07, Page 14 of 16]

Recommendation: That the Watermaster Committee approves Task Order No. 11 to conduct recalibration of the northwest portion of the Beaumont Basin for an amount not to exceed $10,850.

Tom Harder, hydrogeologist for the Watermaster, provided a background on the widening discrepancy between over time between groundwater storage levels estimated by a groundwater flow model and measured water levels in the Moreno 6 well. He recommended refining the model in that particular area, making it more accurate and representative for purposes of the annual report. After discussion, Member Fraser motioned to approve Task Order No. 11 for an amount not to exceed $10,850. The motion was seconded by Member Joseph Zoba and passed 5-0.

VIII. Topics for Future Meetings

A. Recycled Water Recharge Policy

There was no discussion in regard to a Recycled Water Recharge Policy.
IX. Comments from the Watermaster Committee Members

There were no comments from the Watermaster Committee Members.

X. Announcements

A. The next regular meeting of the Beaumont Basin Watermaster is scheduled for Wednesday, June 1, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

XI. Adjournment

Chairman Vela adjourned the meeting at 10:20 a.m.

Attest:

[Signature]

Eric Fraser, Secretary
Beaumont Basin Watermaster