

MINUTES
BANNING HEIGHTS MUTUAL WATER COMPANY

Board of Directors Regular Meeting – Agenda
Meeting Held in-Person, Telephonically and/or Virtually for Board Members, in-person
for Shareholder’s City of Banning Senior Center- Nutrition Room,
769 San Gorgonio Ave., Banning, CA 92220
Monday, August 12, 2024 at 7:00 pm

CALL TO ORDER - 7:01 pm

ROLL CALL

Board:

Julie Hutchinson – Present (call-in)
Steve Romberg - Present
Jay Callin – Present (call-in)
Larry Ellis - Present
Lori Askew - Present

Staff:

Bill Thompson - Present
Dawn Fischle - Present

1. CONSENT CALENDAR

All items listed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and may be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate action unless members of the Board request specific items be removed from the Consent Calendar. Items removed from the Consent Calendar will be separately considered under items pulled from consent calendar.

- A.** Minutes of the Regular meeting of July 8, 2024
- B.** Mid-Tank Emergency Valve Repair
- C.** Grading Burnt Canyon Access Road
- D.** Pond Clean-up

1st – L. Ellis – 2nd L. Askew – Vote 5-0

2. BOARD ACTION ITEMS

A. Treasurer Report

- 1. Pending Outstanding Debt (\$464,032.73) to City of Banning – For Emergency Water Purchases Due to Apple Fire.
 - a. Update: Discussions in progress with city over interpreting a contractual agreement (2013 AGREEMENT FOR REHABILITATION AND MAINTENANCE ALLOCATION OF RESPONSIBILITIES AND RIGHTS FOR SAN GORGONIO HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT NO.344 WATER CONVEYANCE FACILITIES; more commonly known as the Flume Operation and Maintenance (O & M) Agreement) BETWEEN BHMWC and the City of Banning.

Presented By L. Askew – 1st – S. Romberg - 2nd – L. Askew - Vote – 5-0

3. BOARD/STAFF COMMUNICATION

A. July 2024 SAFER Reports

B. General Managers Monthly Operations & Office Report

C. Lead & Copper Testing

D. Backflow/Cross Connection Letters

Presented By Bill Thompson

4. OLD BUSINESS

A. Tropical Cyclone Hilary (August 19 & 20, 2023) and its impacts to BHMWC infrastructure. Notified of Federal Disaster Declaration on November 22, 2023 for Riverside County.

2. Working with FEMA to identify projects and funding

Discussion; L. Ellis provided an overview of on-going repairs and FEMA status regarding roads. J. Hutchinson discussed and updated Office of Emergency Services (OES) status.

B. Update on Short-Term (Post Apple Fire) and Long-Term Flume Discussions & Milestones

1. Repair work Phase 1A – **L Ellis provided an update**

2. FERC in-person Dispute Resolution Service (DRS) Meeting scheduled in September **L. Ellis/J Hutchinson shared meeting schedule in September**

3. Update on Post Hurricane Hilary Clearing of access road and Burnt Canyon Diversion

4. Coordinating installing gaging flume water flow at Raywood Flat Turnout and at Burnt Canyon Diversion with SGPWA

L. Ellis/S. Romberg provided update on Burnt Canyon road and diversion structure status and future gaging and measuring.

C. Source Capacity Assessment Study

1. Kick-off meeting has been completed – Draft document estimated September 2024 -

a. BHMWC is actively sharing information with consultant

D. Department of Water Resources (DWR) Drought Grant Award - Update & status

1. Quarterly Report completed and approved – reimbursement received

2. Gap Funding Opportunity and Agreement with SGPWA

3. Final Well and Water Storage for Drought Relief Grant Extension and Amendment - New Project Manager

L. Askew updated grant status and report status as current. Tank and well locations have been approved and moving forward.

5. NEW BUSINESS

A. Review of Resolution 2101-01

1st L. Ellis – 2nd J. Hutchinson – Vote – 4-1

B. Review of Stage #2 Water Shortage Declaration

1st L. Ellis – 2nd J. Hutchinson – Vote – 4-1

**C. gWorks Water Billing Software
Receive and File**

6. SHAREHOLDERS COMMENTS/INPUT

(Shareholders may address the board at this time on non-agenda items. Any shareholder may address the Board at this time. (Shareholders please provide your name for inclusion in the meeting minutes and keep Comments to 3 minutes).

NEXT BOARD MEETING

Monday, September 9, 2024 (in-person, telephonically and/or virtual for the board) or as called by the board to deal with existing, new, and emerging issues that require timely resolution or Board action.

ADJOURNMENT – 1st – L. Ellis – 2nd L. Askew – Vote 5-0