

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF  
PUENTE BASIN WATER AGENCY**

**December 12, 2024  
At the Offices of the  
Walnut Valley Water District**

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:**

Robert Lewis, Commissioner  
Anthony Lima, Commissioner  
Henry Woo, Commissioner  
Theresa Lee, Commissioner

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Jared Macias, Administrative Officer  
Tom Coleman, Assistant Administrative  
Officer  
Myra Malner, Treasurer  
Josh Byerrum, Assistant Treasurer  
Jim Ciampa, Legal Counsel (Via Zoom)  
Carmen Fleming, Secretary

Staff, guests, and others in attendance: Mr. Chris Brown, C.J. Brown & Company CPA's (via Zoom); Ms. Gabby Palomares, Rowland Water District; Ms. Sherry Shaw, Lucie Cazares, and Mr. Tom Monk, Walnut Valley Water District.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. with Chair Lewis presiding.

**Item 4: Public Comment**

None.

**Item 5: 2023-24 Audited Financial Statements – Prepared by Fedak & Brown**

Mr. Chris Brown, representative of C.J. Brown and Company CPAs, joined the meeting via teleconference and presented the 2023-24 Audited Financial Statements as prepared by his firm. Upon conclusion of Mr. Brown's presentation, he reported the financial statements of the Puente Basin Water Agency presented fairly in all material respects, the respective financial position of the business type activities, as of June 30, 2024 and 2023, and the respective changes in financial position, and cash flows thereof for the years then ended were in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted.

*Upon consideration thereof, it was moved by Commissioner Lima, seconded by Commissioner Lee, and unanimously carried (4-0) to approve and file the 2023-24 Puente Basin Water Agency Audited Financial Statements.*

Chair Lewis indicated that the motion was approved by a 4-0 vote

**Item 6: Approval of Minutes for October 3, 2024**

*Upon consideration thereof, it was moved by Commissioner Lima, seconded by Commissioner Lee, and unanimously carried (4-0) to approve the minutes of the Commission meeting held on October 3, 2024.*

Chair Lewis indicated that the motion was approved by a 4-0 vote

**Item 7: PBWA's Proposed 2025 Meeting Schedule and Approval of Resolution No. 12-24-035 Noting Same**

*Upon consideration thereof, it was moved by Commissioner Lima, seconded by Commissioner Woo, and unanimously carried (4-0) by the roll call vote noted below, to adopt PBWA Resolution No. 12-24-035, Adopting the 2025 PBWA Meeting Schedule:*

**Ayes:** Robert Lewis, Theresa Lee, Anthony J. Lima, Henry Woo

**Noes:** None

**Absent:** None

**Abstain:** None

Chair Lewis indicated that PBWA Resolution No. 12-24-035  
was approved by a 4-0 roll call vote

**Item 8: Review of Financial Statements: First Quarter FY 24-25**

- ◆ Ms. Malner reviewed the First Quarter Fiscal Year 2024-25 financials.

***Upon consideration thereof, it was moved by Commissioner Lee, seconded by Commissioner Lima, and unanimously carried (4-0), to receive, approve and file the financials for the First Quarter Fiscal Year 2024-25.***

**Chair Lewis indicated that the motion was approved by a 4-0**

**Item 9: PBWA Legislative Activities**

***A. CA Water for All Campaign Update***

- ◆ The Commission was updated regarding the veto of SB366 and the possible reprisal of the items included in SB 366 in future legislation.
- ◆ Staff briefed the Commission on the California Municipal Utilities Agency's activities and the California Water for All campaign and information regarding a possible donation.
- ◆ Staff requested the approval of a \$20,000 donation.

***Upon consideration thereof, it was moved by Commissioner Lee seconded by Commissioner Lima, and unanimously carried (4-0) to approve a donation of \$20,000 to the California Municipal Utilities Agency for use in the California Water for All campaign.***

**Chair Lewis indicated that the motion was approved by a 4-0**

***B. SB 1330 (Archuleta) Urban Retail Water Supplier: Water Use***

- ◆ No updated; this item will be removed from future agendas.

**Item 10: Regional Water Supply Reliability Program**

***A. Puente Basin Groundwater Management Plan***

- ◆ Mr. Macias reported on Phase 2 of the Puente Basin Groundwater Management Plan and its intended release in early 2025.

***B. California Domestic Water Company***

- ◆ Mr. Coleman reported the Cal Domestic project was operating at a single pump flow.
- ◆ Staff met with Cal Domestic and with the Division of Drinking Water's approval of Cal Domestic's new PFAS treatment for its well, up to a 3-pump flow will now be possible at times.

***C. Central Basin***

- ◆ Mr. Coleman reported that staff met with Pico Water District and the City of Whittier and continued discussions regarding conceptual intertie designs and a future joint effort to produce and deliver Central Basin groundwater.

***D. Pomona Basin Regional Groundwater Project***

***i. Six Basins Groundwater Project Update***

- ◆ Mr. Macias reported that Old Baldy Well is operational and Title 22 samples have been collected and a blending plan will be established.
- ◆ Mr. Macias also reported that Durward Well is close to being operational.

***ii. Proposition 84 Grant***

- ◆ Mr. Macias updated the Commission on the project progress and the reporting required for the receipt of grant funds. Completion of the grant process should take place by early next year.

***E. Regional Water Supply Reliability Program Update***

- ◆ Mr. Macias reported Woodard and Curran is continuing to work on the Puente Basin Water Agency Regional Water Supply Program Update and a final memo will be available early next year.

***F. Advanced Water Treatment Facility***

- ◆ Mr. Macias reported that staff is reviewing treatment plant size and possible grant opportunities available to provide funding assistance to acquire a parcel.

**Item 11: Attorney's Report**

- ◆ Mr. Ciampa reported each member of the Legislature will have a 35 bill limit on legislation they will be able to introduce.

**Item 12: Commission Follow-Up**

No report on this item

**Item 13: Commissioner Comments**

Happy New Year offerings were given to all.

**Item 14: Items for Future Discussion/Review**

No report on this item

**Item 15: Adjournment at 9:20 a.m.**

*By consensus of the Commission the meeting ended at 9:20 a.m.*