

**MINUTES**  
**MCWA Board Meeting**  
**September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023 @ 11:30 a.m.**  
**Laughlin Ranch Golf Club, 1360 William Hardy Drive, Bullhead City, AZ**  
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I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Sheehy.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Sheehy led the pledge of allegiance.

B. Roll Call

Roll was taken. Present were Lake Havasu Representative Mayor Sheehy, Mohave Valley Irrigation and Drainage District Representative Chairman Chip Sherrill, Bullhead City alternate Representative Mark Clark, Mohave Water Conservation District Representative Chairwoman Mary Wall, Kingman Representative Mayor Ken Watkins, and Mohave County Representative Supervisor Lingenfelter.

II. Approval of Minutes: June 13, 2023 meeting

A motion was made by Chip Sherrill and seconded by Mark Clark to approve the June 13, 2023 minutes as presented at the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

III. Agenda Modifications

There were no modifications to the agenda.

IV. Approval of Expenses

The expenses for the previous quarter were presented to the board for consideration. A motion was made by Chip Sherrill and seconded by Mark Clark to approve the expenses. The motion passed unanimously.

V. Review and Acceptance of Financial Reports

The financial reports for the year to date were presented to the board for consideration. A motion was made by Chip Sherrill and seconded by Mark Clark to accept the financial reports. The motion passed unanimously.

VI. Discussion and Possible Action to:

A. Establish legislation priorities for 2023

1. Amendment to ARS §45-596.01

No action was taken. A final form of proposed amendment will be considered at the December meeting.

2. Amendment to Other Statutes

No action was taken.

B. Authorize Tina Moline and Wendy Sherer as authorized users for read only access at Arizona State Treasurer's Office online portal

A motion was made by Chip Sherrill and seconded by Ken Watkins to authorize Tina Moline and Wendy Sherer as authorized users for read only access at Arizona State Treasurer's Office online portal. The motion carried unanimously.

C. Approve registration to attend CRWUA December 13-15, 2023 at Paris Las Vegas Hotel

A motion was made by Chip Sherrill and seconded by Ken Watkins to approve registration for MCWA Representatives to attend CRWUA, December 13-15, 2023, at Paris Las Vegas Hotel. The motion carried unanimously.

D. Approve payment of MCWA's proportion of Amicus Curie brief in the amount of \$3,127.50 (1/8th of the bill)

A motion was made by Chip Sherrill and seconded by Ken Watkins to approve payment of MCWA's proportion of Amicus Curie brief in the amount of \$3,127.50 (1/8th of the bill). The motion carried unanimously.

E. Inventory Wells Within MCWA's Service Area Outside of Other Section 5 Contract Service Areas

A motion was made by Mark Clark and seconded by Ken Watkins to inventory wells within MCWA's Service Area outside of other Section 5 Contract Service Areas. During the discussion it was suggested to contact USGS to see what records they may have. The motion carried unanimously.

## VII. Updates and Discussion

### A. Colorado River Update

#### 1. MSCP

Jamie Kelley reported that the Steering Committee had adopted three resolutions memorializing actions taken: Resolution 23-001 5 Year Monitoring and Research Priorities for the Lower Colorado River MSCP; Resolution 23-002 Approving Final Implementation Report, Fiscal Year 2024 Work Plan and Budget, Fiscal Year 2022 Accomplishment Report; and 23-003 Procedures to Assign or Transfer to Add or Remove Members in a State Participant Group.

#### 2. Lake Mead and Lake Powell Levels - Tier 1 Shortage

Jamie Kelley reviewed Colorado River conditions.

#### 3. Drought Related Activities Occurring in the Lower Basin

Jamie Kelley reviewed Colorado River conditions.

#### 4. Communications-Scoping Comment Letters

Jamie Kelley presented information on the scoping comment letters.

### B. Arizona Water Bank Report

Mark Clark, an Arizona Water Bank Commissioner, updated the board on the Water Bank's activity.

### C. Governor Council on Water Policy

Jamie Kelley, a member of the Governor's Council on Water Policy, updated the board on the Rural Groundwater Subcommittee's discussions.

## VIII. Call to the Public

IX. Next Meeting: December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023 in Lake Havasu City, Arizona; discuss agenda items for that meeting

X. Possible action to convene in Executive Session of the Board pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431-03.A.3 to obtain legal advice from the Authority's attorney on any matter listed on the agenda

No executive session was held.

XI. Reconvene in Open Session

XII. Adjourn.



Ken Watkins, Secretary Treasurer  
Mohave County Water Authority  
Date Approved by Board: December 12, 2023