

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
TRANQUILLITY IRRIGATION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**July 15, 2020**

**PRESENT:** President Jerome F Salvador, Director William Pucheu, Director George Ayerza Jr., General Manager Danny M Wade, Assistant Manager Rodney D Wade, Counsel Lauren Layne, Engineering Consultant Joe Hopkins, & Secretary/Treasurer Liz Reeves

**ABSENT:** none

President Salvador called the meeting to order at 8:30 am.

**ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA:** None

**MINUTES:** The minutes of the meeting of June 17, 2020 was approved on voice count. Director Ayerza motioned for approval and Director Pucheu seconded the motion.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** none

**TREASURER REPORT:** The Cash Flow statement was presented for the month of June 2020 including the payments and balances on long-term debts. The cash disbursements and receivables were presented as well. Director Pucheu motioned for approval of the Treasurer report. Director Ayerza seconded the motion. 2020 Local Agency Biennial Review – Conflict of Interest code: After review of the conflict of interest code it was found that no amendment was required. Director Pucheu motioned for approval and Director Ayerza seconded the motion. The Board of Supervisors will be notified accordingly.

**WATERMASTER'S REPORTS** -Water use – irrigation and drinking water: Rodney Wade reported on the usage totals for the month of June 2020, the well pumping totals, and the Mendota pool reporting. The well depth and PH/TDS readings were also presented to the Board.

**DIRECTOR REPORT:** Director Pucheu advised that SLDMWA's power contract with PG&E for the lines that run from Tracy down to the Pumps will be expiring this year. They are working to run their own lines which will save a bit of money over a 30 year period.

**COUNSEL REPORT:** In regards to legal matters affecting the District: ACWA Leg Committee: they are not in session due to COVID-19. SGMA – Nothing new to report

**ENGINEERING CONSULTANT REPORT:** SGMA: nothing new to report Grants update: nothing new to report.

**MANAGER REPORT:**

1. USBR-WIIN Act TID update: we have received an updated payoff amount. The contract is currently in the 60 day public comment review period.
2. 2020 - Well Water : updated well pumping estimates were presented. We are working to keep the well pumping to a minimum.
3. FSWD/Lease/Rate Cost: FSWD lowered the water rates to \$98.00/af. The lease is up at the end of this year for the FSWD land.
4. SLWD transfer update – SLWD will be taking the full 20% contract water allocation in the month of July.

5. TID/COVID-19: Manager Wade advised he will be setting up some plexiglass protection for our Board table to protect everyone during our board meetings.

**CLOSED SESSION:**

1. Closed Session Pursuant to California Government Code [Section 54956.8](#)

**CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS**

Property: Temporary Water Transfer

Agency Negotiator: Danny M Wade & Rodney D Wade

Negotiating Parties: TID & SLWD

Under Negotiation: Price & Terms

*(no reportable action)*

2. **CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS** Pursuant to California Government Code [Section 54956.8](#)

Property: Water Rights

Agency negotiator: Danny M Wade & Rodney D Wade

Negotiating parties: Various Water Users, unspecified for the benefit of the public agency

Under negotiation: Instruction to negotiator will concern price and terms of payment

*(no reportable action)*

3. **CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS**

Government Code Section 54956.8

Property: Kings River Water Rights

Agency negotiator: Danny M Wade & Rodney D Wade

Negotiating parties: Lower River Units of the Kings River Water Association

Under negotiation: Instruction to negotiator will concern price and terms of payment for rental agreement.

*(no reportable action)*

4. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION**

Closed session pursuant to Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9.

Name of Case: NRDC v. Jewell – U.S. District Court – Eastern District of California (Case No. 1:05-cv-01207LJO-EPG)

*(no reportable action)*

5. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION**

Closed session pursuant to Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9.

Name of case: *Kings River Water Association, et al. v. James Verboon, et al* (Kings County)

*(no reportable action)*

6. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION**

Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)

Name of Case: James Irrigation District v. KRWA, et al.

*(no reportable action)*

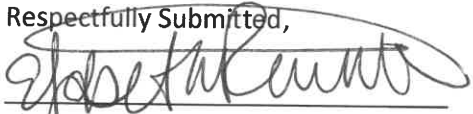
**7. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – POTENTIAL LITIGATION**

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (1 case)  
*(no reportable action)*

The Board adjourned at 9:50 am.

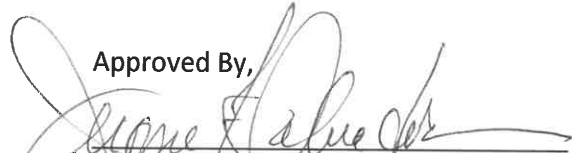
The next meeting will be held at 8:30 am on August 19, 2020 at the TID office.

Respectfully Submitted,



Elizabeth Reeves, Secretary/Treasurer

Approved By,



Jerome F Salvador, Board President

