

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

June 16, 2021

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:

President Salvador called the meeting to order at 8:35 am.

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS: none

MINUTES: The minutes of the meeting of May 18, 2021 was approved on voice count. Director Ayerza motioned for approval and Director Pucheu seconded the motion.

TREASURER REPORT: The Cash Flow statement was presented for the month of May 2021 including the cash disbursements and receivables. Director Pucheu motioned for approval of the Treasurer report. Director Ayerza seconded the motion. The Audit for fiscal year 2020 was presented and accepted by the Board. Director Ayerza motioned for approval and Director Pucheu seconded the motion.

WATERMASTER'S REPORTS -Water use – irrigation and drinking water: Rodney Wade presented the WaterMaster report. He reported on the usage totals for the month of May 2021, the well pumping totals, and the Mendota pool reporting. The well depths with the PH\TDS testing as well as the flow meter readings were also presented to the Board.

DIRECTOR REPORT: none

COUNSEL REPORT: In regards to legal matters affecting the District: ACWA Leg: SB223 water shut off executive order - moratorium ends September 30, 2021. Kings River: Hearings have begun for Semi Tropic & Kings River Units. Phase 1A are in progress now.

ENGINEERING CONSULTANT REPORT: SGMA: currently in the water quality collection phase and the well inventory is ongoing. Allocations for groundwater is being talked about. Grants update: Lift 3 project – pre-bid meeting is happening today. Meter Grant – grant funding has been approved. Resolution 2021-02 – authorizing execution of the agreement with SWRCB for the grant funding and authorizing Manager Wade to proceed. Director Ayerza motioned for approval and Director Pucheu seconded the motion. City water pipeline: Pipeline Pigging and Flushing options – cost estimates were acquired from 4 companies. NO-DES was chosen by the Board. The bid is under the original approved amount of \$25,000. P&P is still working on trying to get CW7 replaced.

MANAGER REPORT:

1. Critical year water tracking – Manager Wade shared the report showing actuals to date. A reminder letter will be sent out with regards to the change to the irrigation water rate from August on.

2. Aquaterra Water Bank/(MAGSA) : the McMullin area GSA is proposing to put in a water bank. A basic information packet was presented to the Board. P&P will look into this more before the formal presentation is made to the Board.
3. Mendota Pool Group/Update: there was no meeting in June. Chase Hurley has been very communicative about TDS reading.
4. Hyacinth Coordination Meetings: met with James ID to combine efforts to get better cost for the spraying of the Hyacinth.
5. JID/TID/Policy Maker Meeting/KRWA: they met on June 7th for discussions

6. 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 Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)

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

(no reportable action)

6. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – POTENTIAL LITIGATION – 1 case

Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(1)
(no reportable action)

7. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

Closed Session Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.8
Property: Fresno Slough Water District land
Agency Negotiator: Danny M Wade & Rodney D Wade
Negotiating Parties: TID & Angiola WD
Under Negotiation: Price & Terms
(no reportable action)

8. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

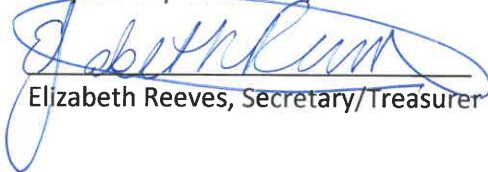
Closed Session pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).

- i. Name of case: Tranquillity Irrigation District v. All Persons Interested in the Matter of the Authorization of the Contract Between the United States and Tranquillity Irrigation District Providing for Project Water Service From Delta Division and Facilities Repayment, Contract No. 14-06-200-701-A-LTR1-P. (Fresno County Case No. 20CECG03315)
- ii. Name of case: California Sportfishing Protection Alliance v. All Persons Interested in the Matter of the Validity of the Northern and Central Delta-Mendota Regions Groundwater Sustainability Plan, et al., Stanislaus County Superior Court, Case No. CV-20-001748 [Delta-Mendota Subbasin SGMA Challenge].
(no reportable action)

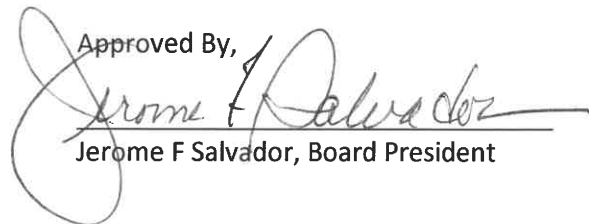
The Board adjourned at 9:50 am.

The next meeting will be held at 8:30 am on July 21, 2021 at the TID office.

Respectfully Submitted,


Elizabeth Reeves, Secretary/Treasurer

Approved By,


Jerome F Salvador, Board President

