

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

**August 17, 2022**

**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

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Mike Pucheu, representing TPUD, asked the Board to include a flier from the TPUD with our next city water billing. The Board agreed to this.

**MINUTES:** The minutes of the meeting of July 20, 2022 was approved on voice count. Director Pucheu motioned for approval and Director Ayerza seconded the motion.

**TREASURER REPORT:** The Cash Flow statement was presented for the month of July 2022 including the cash disbursements and receivables. Director Pucheu motioned for approval of the Treasurer report. Director Ayerza seconded the motion.

**WATERMASTER'S REPORTS:** Water use – irrigation and drinking water: Watermaster Rodney Wade reported on the usage totals for the month of July 2022, the well pumping totals and the Mendota pool reporting. The Well depths and the PH/TDS readings were presented to the Board along with the flow meter readings.

**DIRECTOR REPORT:** none

**COUNSEL REPORT:** In regards to legal matters affecting the District –Leg Committee: AB2201 – is being considered. This bill will affect all ag wells. SGMA: the amended GSP has been submitted and the DWR comment period closes at the end of September.

**ENGINEERING CONSULTANT REPORT:**

SGMA: see Counsel report

Projects: Meter project- plans and specs have been received and are going out to bid soon. CW 8,9,A11- It appears that the electrical from both CW 6 & 7 will be able to be reused for the new CW 8 & 9. They will be having a meeting with Horacio to see about getting all 3 city water wells running through the treatment plant. They are currently working to get A11 automated. Flow meters have been located from Cal West Rain for Lifts 1&2. The trash screen will cost around \$30,000 for a 5' x 30' rolling screen.

**MANAGER REPORT:**

1. 2022 Critical Water Year Tracking: an updated plan was presented to the Board.
2. Hyacinth/ Helicopter Spraying: they will be having a meeting today as to when they are going to start. We already have the material and the Helicopter fee will be shared among the Districts/Organizations participating.

3. SLWD/Review Contract: the 1<sup>st</sup> half contract water billing has been sent to SLWD. The contract terms was reviewed with the Board.
4. Activity Agreement Cost Allocation: SLDMWA dues – Westlands is requesting a cost share decrease so the Authority is considering options on how to allocate the dues amongst the other member Districts. The options considered will raise the dues significantly for all the other Districts.
5. Tom Coleman / Pipe Crossing: Coleman purchased land south of Manning that sits inside JID territory. JID is willing to provide water but Coleman needs our permission to install a pipeline across the bottom corner of our property in order to get the water to his land. The Board doesn't feel this will be a problem to cross our property but Coleman will still need to get permission from all the other landowners affected.

**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: 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)
- ii. Name of case: Center for Biological Diversity, Restore the Delta, and Planning and Conservation League v. United States Bureau of Reclamation, Tranquillity Irrigation District, et al. In the United States District Court for the Eastern District of California, Case No. 1:20-cv-00706 DAD-EPG. (no reportable action)

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

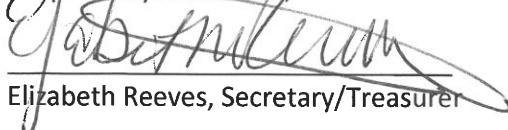
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NORTH COAST RIVERS ALLIANCE, CALIFORNIA SPORTSFISHING PROTECTION ALLIANCE, PACIFIC COAST FEDERATION OF FISHERMEN'S ASSOCIATIONS, SAN FRANCISCO CRAB BOAT OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., and INSTITUTE FOR FISHERIES RESOURCES v. UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, et al. – United States District Court, Eastern District of California (Case No. 1:16-CV-307 DAD-SKO). (no reportable action)

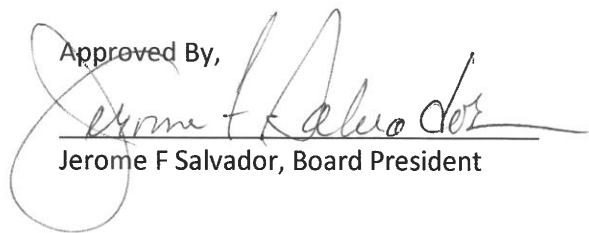
The Board adjourned at 10:15 am.

The next meeting will be held at 8:30 am on September 21, 2022 at the TID office.

Respectfully Submitted)

  
Elizabeth Reeves, Secretary/Treasurer

Approved By,

  
Jerome F Salvador, Board President

