

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

October 18, 2023

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: none

MINUTES: The minutes of the meeting of September 20, 2023 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 September 2023 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 Wade reported on the usage totals for the month of September 2023, along with the well pumping totals and the Mendota pool reporting. The well depths and the PH/TDS readings were presented to the Board as well as the flow meter readings. We had some battery thefts on the Caterpillar and vandalism at one of the pumps.

DIRECTOR REPORT: none

COUNSEL REPORT: In regards to legal matters affecting the District –Kings River: They are starting to make repairs on the system. SGMA: they are working on the MOA for the Subbassin. They are also working with State Water Board by physically showing what we are doing in the Bassin with regards to the subsidence issue.

Two Action Items were brought to the Board:

1. Policy Regarding Temporary Access to District Water (through rented meter): after review the Board took action to approve this policy. Director Pucheu made a motion to approve and Director Ayerza seconded the motion. This policy will go in effect once the rates have been established and notices will be sent to the affected customers.
2. Easement Agreement with Tranquillity Public Utilities District (sewer lift station): we need the legal description before we can proceed with this item. This will be tabled for now.

ENGINEERING CONSULTANT REPORT:

SGMA: See Counsel Report

Projects: Meter Project: currently waiting on the meters to arrive. Some parts for the 2" meters are unavailable so an official delay from the manufacturer has been requested. The 1" meters should start to arrive in December. Wells: Construction for well #8 drilling has begun. The Well 8 equipping will be out to bid soon.

Mendota Pool Group: P&P is working with them for the location of the water quality sensor. They would like to use our flow meter site.

MANAGER REPORT:

1. 2023 Critical Water Year Tracking: Updated report was presented.

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)

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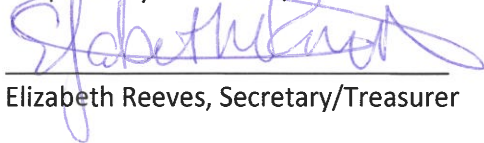
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NORTH COAST RIVERS ALLIANCE, CALIFORNIA SPORTSFISHING PROTECTION ALLIANCE, PACIFIC COAST FEDERATION OF FISHERMEN'S ASSOCIATIONS, SAN FRANCISCO CRAB BOAT OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., and INSTITUTE FOR FISHERIES RESOURCES v. UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF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

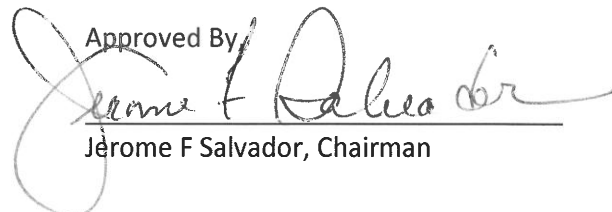
The Board adjourned at 9:55 am.

The next meeting will be held at 8:30 am on November 15, 2023 at the TID office.

Respectfully Submitted,


Elizabeth Reeves, Secretary/Treasurer

Approved By


Jerome F Salvador, Chairman