

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

January 19, 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:

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

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA: None

PUBLIC HEARING: Proposition 218 – Agricultural Water Rate Increase. Hearing was opened at 8:32 am. The rate study was completed and had been sent out to all farmers in the district. There were no public present at the hearing. Only two protests were received against the rate increase. Hearing was closed at 8:34.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: none

MINUTES: The minutes of the meeting of December 15, 2021 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 December 2021 including the cash disbursements and receivables. Director Ayerza motioned for approval of the Treasurer report. Director Pucheu seconded the motion.

WATERMASTER'S REPORTS -Water use – irrigation and drinking water: Watermaster Rodney Wade reported on the usage totals for the month of December 2021, the well pumping totals, the Mendota pool reporting and the Well depths. The PH/TDS & Flow Meter readings were presented to the Board. We currently have the excavator going and are almost finished.

DIRECTOR REPORT: none

COUNSEL REPORT: In regards to legal matters affecting the district – Legislation: they are back in session. SGMA: we are expecting the comment letter by Friday for the subbasin as a whole.

ENGINEERING CONSULTANT REPORT: SGMA: for the comment letter – they are expecting the subsidence in our area to be one of the big issues for management as well as the city wells; specifically, in regards to making sure the ag wells do not dry up the city wells. Grants update: Lift 3 – a new administrator has been assigned. Meter Grant: on track to be out to bid in May. New city water well: there is no funding yet but DWR has moved up our application and we are waiting for the letter of commitment. Both CW 6 & 7 are down. We are considering AG well A11 as a potential replacement. The water quality is the same as CW 6&7 with the arsenic at 2.2 which is below the max of 5. This could be connected into our system thru the treatment plant. The new well from DWR – once approved - would be about ¼ mile closer to the treatment plant. (For TID Management action see item 6 under Manager's report)

(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

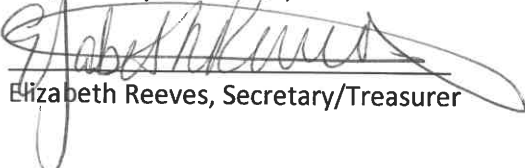
Closed Session pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).

- 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)*

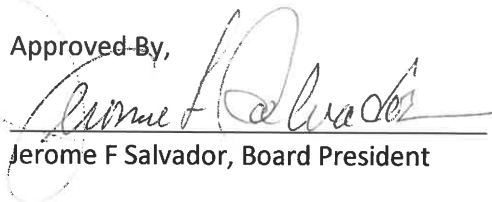
The Board adjourned at 10:15 am.

The next meeting will be held at 8:30 am on February 16, 2022 at the TID office.

Respectfully Submitted,


Elizabeth Reeves, Secretary/Treasurer

Approved By,


Jerome F Salvador, Board President