

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

July 20, 2022

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

ABSENT: Director George Ayerza Jr

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 June 15, 2022 was approved on voice count. Director Pucheu motioned for approval and President Salvador seconded the motion.

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

2022 Local Agency Biennial Notice Conflict of Interest Code: no amendments are necessary. County Board of Supervisors will be notified. A motion was made by Director Pucheu and seconded by President Salvador. Audited financials for year 2021 was reviewed and accepted. Director Pucheu motioned and President Salvador seconded the motion.

WATERMASTER'S REPORTS: Water use – irrigation and drinking water: Watermaster Rodney Wade reported on the usage totals for the month of June 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 – they are working on exceptions for this bill SGMA; the amended GSP has been adopted and should be uploaded today.

ENGINEERING CONSULTANT REPORT:

SGMA: in 2025 they will be drafting a new GSP. We are currently in the water quality and subsidence evaluations process right now.

Projects: Meter project- out to bid in September. Piggging the city water line will happen in November. CW 8,9,A11- A11 is getting hooked up to electricity. CW8 &9- we are looking for good sites. Lift 3 - still working on the SAM.gov program – trying to get it renewed so we can receive the USBR grant funding. P&P will be looking into a screen to help get the weeds out of the canal.

MANAGER REPORT:

1. 2022 Critical Water Year Tracking: an updated plan was presented to the Board. We are going to have to put in meters at Lift 1 & 2.

2. Salary Evaluation/Resolution 2022-02: Approve full time employee raises – after review Director Pucheu motioned for approval and President Salvador seconded the motion.
3. Hyacinth/ Boat Spraying: our crew has been spraying the hyacinth using the boat. We will also have the helicopter spraying done.
4. City Well/Backup #11 convert to electricity: see Engineers report
5. Water Treatment Plant Piggings – see Engineers report
6. USDA/NRCS Water Smart Grant: there is \$3 million available for the grant that would go to the farmers within the Districts that apply. This funding is for improving conservation efforts for their farms. TID will be joining the group applying for this grant.
7. BBQ – TID shop Friday November 18, 2022

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)


The Board adjourned at 10:20 am.

The next meeting will be held at 8:30 am on August 17, 2022 at the TID office.

Respectfully Submitted,


Elizabeth Reeves, Secretary/Treasurer

Approved By,


Jerome F Salvador, Board President

