# RAISIN CITY WATER DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

# **REGULAR MEETING**

# **MINUTES**

Meeting Date: Tuesday, July 20, 2021 **1:30 p.m.**  Meeting Location: 455 W Fir Ave Clovis, CA 93611

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In accordance with the Governor's Executive Order (N-29-20) and the declared State of Emergency, including social distancing directives as a result of the threat of the COVID-19 virus, the Board of Directors of the Raisin City Water District will be participating in this meeting remotely. There will not be a physical location for this meeting. Members of the public may participate in the meeting via Microsoft Teams.

Called to order at 1:33

**Directors Present:** Gere Gunlund Don Cameron (on teams) Jonathon DeGroot (on teams) John Verwey (on teams) Directors Absent: Gagan Batth Others Present: Randy Hopkins, Provost & Pritchard Laurie Sales, Provost & Pritchard Rick Besecker, Provost & Pritchard Matt Hurley, MAGSA Jerry Rai Marjorie Bookout Lori Daniele Jeanne Harguindeguy Brandon Herreman

#### 1. <u>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</u> (Gunlund)

No Changes

#### 2. <u>**RECOGNITION OF ATTENDEES**</u> (Hopkins)

Mr. Hopkins introduced the attendees.

### 3. <u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u> (Gunlund)

The first fifteen minutes of this portion of the meeting are reserved for members of the public to address the Board of Directors. Speakers shall be limited to three minutes. Speakers will be asked to identify themselves and state the subject of their comment. The Board is prohibited by law from taking any action on matters discussed that are not on the Agenda, and no adverse conclusions should be drawn if the Board does not respond to public comment at this time.

None noted.

#### 4. POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (Gunlund)

Any Board Member who has a potential conflict of interest may now identify the item and recuse themselves from discussing and voting on the matter. [FPPC §87105]

None noted.

#### 5. <u>MINUTES</u> (Hopkins)

A. Discussion / possible action to approve minutes for:

i. June 29, 2021 Regular Board Meeting

Mr. Cameron made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected. The motion was seconded by Mr. DeGroot and passed unanimously with those present.

#### 6. **FINANCIAL** (Besecker)

A. Discussion / possible action to approve the financial report and District bills.

Mr. Besecker reported, no bills or receipts to review since the meeting.

#### 7. **<u>BENEFIT ASSESSMENT HEARING</u>** (Hopkins)

A. The Board will hear a report, convene as the District's Board of Equalization to conduct a hearing, be asked to adopt benefit assessments for 2021 (**Resolution No. 2021-02**), and authorize a notice to be submitted to Fresno County.

Mr. Besecker reported the meeting was noticed in three locations in the district and the Selma Enterprise. The assessment book was made available for public review. No public had asked to review.

Mr. Gunlund moved to open the Board of Equalization meeting for discussion. The question was asked how this works. It was explained that this will not raise any rates but is an annual requirement. This is part of the process to have Fresno County collect the taxes. Mr. Besecker explained that the District values each acre at \$100.00.

No further questions were presented. Mr. Gunlund closed the BOE meeting.

Mr. Cameron made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-02. The motion was seconded by Mr. DeGroot and passed unanimously with those present.

#### 8. AD-HOC COMMITTEES

A. The Board of Directors will hear reports and possible action from the following Ad-Hoc Committees:

i. Fresno ID Committee (*Cameron/DeGroot*) Nothing to report

ii. Consolidated ID Committee (*DeGroot/Gunlund*) Still trying to schedule a meeting.

#### iii. Grantland/Stinson (Gunlund/Verwey)

Mr. Sills was in the Provost & Pritchard office and Mr. Hopkins reported that Mr. Sills will bring Raisin City up at their next board meeting regarding Liberty Millrace.

iv. James ID (Batth/Cameron) Nothing to report.

v. Annexation (Gunlund/DeGroot)

Nothing to report.

### 9. <u>McMULLIN RECHARGE PROJECT</u> (Hopkins/Hurley)

A. Report on the status of the project.

Mr. Hopkins showed the group the alignment as it is currently planned. They are still working on the easements, particularly those needed for construction. P&P is working the 30% design plans now. Mr. Hurley reported that the environmental CEQA documents are in draft stage. Some issue with the Air Board have been worked out. The scoping season took place on June 30 and comments are being accepted until July 30<sup>th</sup>.

# 10. <u>MAGSA ACTIVITIES</u> (Batth/Cameron/Hurley/Hopkins)

A. Report on MAGSA activities.

Mr. Hurley reported they returned to in-person meetings on July 7. CEQA and NEPA analysis will be conducted for the water bank, and MAGSA has authorized a contract with TetraTech.

Rules and Regulations –Draft implementing rules and regulations for measurement, monitoring and well construction are out for review and comment. A draft metering incentive program is out for review and comment.

#### 11. CORRESPONDENCE (Hopkins)

A. Correspondence since the previous Board of Directors meeting may be presented.

No correspondence. Mr. Hopkins did meet with Cristel to go over public outreach.

#### 12. <u>NEXT REGULAR MEETING</u> (Hopkins)

A. Discussion / possible action regarding the date of the scheduled regular meeting of the Board of Directors, currently scheduled for August 17, 2021.

# 13. ADJOURNMENT (Gunlund)

The meeting adjourned at 1:52.