

RAISIN CITY WATER DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES

Meeting Date:
Tuesday, June 21, 2022
1:30 p.m.

Meeting Location:
455 W Fir Ave
Clovis, CA 93611

In accordance with the September 16, 2021, Assembly Bill (AB) 361, which adds to the Brown Act relaxed teleconference rules similar to those in effect under the Governor's Executive Order (N- 29-20).

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The meeting was called to order at 1:32 pm

Directors Present: Gere Gunlund
Don Cameron
Jonathon DeGroot
John Verwey

Directors Absent: Gagan Batth

Others Present: Randy Hopkins, Provost & Pritchard
Laurie Sales, Provost & Pritchard
Rick Besecker, Provost & Pritchard

Matt Hurley
Jeane Harguindequy
Marjorie Bookout
Matt Abercrombie
Lori Daniele
Shelby Daniele
Jerry Rai
Pat Ricchiuti

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Gunlund)

No changes

2. **RECOGNITION OF ATTENDEES** (*Hopkins*)

Introductions were made.

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT** (*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.

No public comment

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. **MINUTES** (*Hopkins*)

- A. Discussion / possible action to approve minutes for:
- i. March 15, 2022 Regular Board Meeting

Director Cameron made a motion to approve, the motion was seconded by Director De Groot. The motion passed unanimously by those present.

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

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

Mr. Besecker presented the outstanding bills. Mr. Besecker presented the Treasurer's Report

Director Cameron made a motion to approve the bills and Treasurer's Report. The motion was seconded by Director De Groot. The motion passed unanimously by those present.

- B. Discussion / possible action to adopt 2022-23 Budget

Mr. Hopkins presented the budget. Director De Groot made a suggestion to decrease the line item for Professional fees – other to \$10,000 and to increase the website & outreach budget to \$10,000. This brings the total to \$242,200

Director De Groot made a motion to adopt as amended, seconded by Director Cameron. The motion passed unanimously by those present.

- C. Set Benefit Assessment hearing date.

The assessment hearing will be at the July 19 meeting.

7. **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*)

Meeting set with Bill Stretch for July 11.

- ii. Grantland/Stinson (*Gunlund/Verwey*)

Waiting for meeting confirmation from Scott Sills.

8. DISTRICT ELECTIONS (*Hopkins*)

- A. Discussion / possible action on Resolution to approve conducting the election.

Mr. Hopkins presented the election calendar. Director Cameron made a motion to approve Resolution 22-01, authorizing the election. The motion as seconded by Director De Groot and passed unanimously by those present.

9. DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM UPDATE (*Hopkins*)

- A. Discussion /Possible Action to approve scope of work to proceed with a concept level cost analysis.

Mr. Hopkins presented the distribution system. Provost & Pritchard submitted a proposal to review the system and provide reconnaissance-level analysis for any environmental issues.

Director DeGroot made a motion to authorize the proposal. Director Cameron seconded the motion, and it passes unanimously by those present.

10. PUBLIC OUTREACH

- A. Discussion / Possible Action regarding contract for public outreach services

Mr. Hopkins discussed Blue Chair Communications outreach efforts. The board discussed the work performed and how the first mailer from them went. The costs came in just under the KRCD price and within the approved budget.

Director Cameron made a motion to continue with Blue Chair Communications for quarterly publication. The motion was seconded by Director De Groot and passed unanimously by those present.

11. McMULLIN EXPANSION PROJECT (*Hopkins/Hurley*)

- A. Report on the status of the project.

Mr. Hopkins reported that Raisin City got \$7 and MAGSA \$10 to expand the system. The design team is on schedule to hit 90% by July 1. Mr. Hurley has met with the landowners along the system to discuss easements. The plan is to complete by 2023.

12. MAGSA ACTIVITIES (*Cameron/DeGroot/Hurley/Hopkins*)

- A. Report on MAGSA activities.

Mr. Hurley reported on the water bank project. The initial contributors will have additional storage 2025/26 time frame. Mr. Hurley believes it will be one of the most modern system in the state.

In July MAGSA will have the revised GSP before the board for approval. They will also be adopting their budget.

Mr. Hurley also discussed that MAGSA approved the wells regulations rules and the process for new wells. They are recommended to dig wells to at least the MT level of 300 ft. They are recommending a moratorium on any drilling that will punch through the Corcoran Clay leading to land subsidence issues, effective July 1, 2022.

The district did outreach to landowners with less than 10 acres to discuss well maintenance.

13. CORRESPONDENCE (Hopkins)

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

Nothing received in the mail. But Mr. Hopkins reported that he received a call from someone just outside the district whose well had gone dry. He directed the landowner to some resources.

14. NEXT REGULAR MEETING (Hopkins)

A. Discussion / possible action regarding the date of the scheduled regular meeting of the Board of Directors, currently scheduled for July 19, 2022.

No changes to the meeting at this time.

15. UPCOMING EVENTS (Hopkins)

A. ACWA Fall 2022 – Nov 29 – Dec 2 in Indian Wells

Mr. Hopkins indicated he would look for commodity specific conferences to add to the list.

16. ADJOURNMENT (Gunlund)

The meeting adjourned at 2:25 PM.