

**RAISIN CITY WATER DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR MEETING**

MINUTES

Meeting Date:
Tuesday, October 18, 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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Called to order at: 1:30

Directors Present: Gere Gunlund
Gagan Bath
Jonathon DeGroot – Called in
John Verwey – Called in

Directors Absent: Don Cameron

Randy Hopkins, Provost & Pritchard
Laurie Sales, Provost & Pritchard
Rick Besecker, Provost & Pritchard
Lynn Moeller

Yvonne Harguindequy
Jeane Harguindequy
Marjorie Bookout
Jerry Rai
Matt Hurley
Pat Ricchiuti

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Gunlund)

No changes

2. RECOGNITION OF ATTENDEES (Hopkins)

Mr. Hopkins identified those present.

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.

Ms. Bookout had a question about groundwater regulations coming into effect in 2025. That source of information was from NRCS and may not be as familiar with California law. We are in the process of doing what needs to be done. The first “check in” is in 2025 when we have to have reduced by 10%. MAGSA’s policy is to be metered up by 2025.

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.

5. MINUTES (Hopkins)

- A. Discussion / possible action to approve minutes for:
 - i. September 27, 2022 Regular Board Meeting

Director DeGroot made a motion to approve the minutes; the motion was seconded by Director Verwey and passed unanimously by those present.

6. FINANCIAL (Besecker)

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

Mr. Besecker presented the bills to be paid. Includes ACWA dues and a payment to Provost & Pritchard for services.

Director DeGroot made a motion to accept the financial report and pay the bills; the motion was seconded by Director Batth and passed unanimously by those present.

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)
Rescheduling due to illness and a scheduling conflict.
 - ii. Grantland/Stinson (Gunlund/Verwey)

Still attempting to meet with the agencies.

8. PUBLIC OUTREACH (Hopkins)

- A. Update on next mailing

Blue Chair Communication is working on the next newsletter, which will be mailed in November. The board member to be profiled is Director Batth.

9. McMULLIN EXPANSION PROJECT (Hopkins/Hurley)

- A. Report on the status of the project.

The Plans are being reviewed. CEQA has been adopted. Still need to finalize NEPA. Hope to begin construction in the Spring. Appraisals are underway to evaluate the cost of impacts to individual owners.

10. MAGSA ACTIVITIES (Cameron/DeGroot/Hurley/Hopkins)

A. Report on MAGSA activities.

Mr. Hurley reported that there was no board meeting in October as they were short of board members. They are continuing with public outreach meetings for NRCS funding assistance. The deadline to apply is December 1. There is another grant that will be available for meters. The water bank has nearly completed the environmental review. Still pending is the cultural review. They hope to have that out for public review in the Dec/Jan timeline.

Mr. Hurley reported that as soon as the environmental review is complete, the info can be incorporated into the 30% design. No negative issues were seen in the model.

Fall groundwater level measurements are currently being conducted.

Director DeGroot asked Mr. Hurley about the MAGSA export policy. It requested that half the fees would need to be paid for any transfers for the next year. Mr. Hurley indicated there were no applications received.

Any fees collected would be directed to importing other water sources.

11. CORRESPONDENCE (Hopkins)

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

Mr. Hopkins reported no new correspondence.

12. NEXT REGULAR MEETING (Hopkins)

A. Discussion / possible action regarding the date of the scheduled regular meeting of the Board of Directors, currently scheduled for November 15, 2022.

No changes.

13. UPCOMING EVENTS (Hopkins)

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

Mid Pacific conference is at the January
MAGSA November

14. ADJOURNMENT (Gunlund)

Meeting adjourned at 2:29 pm.