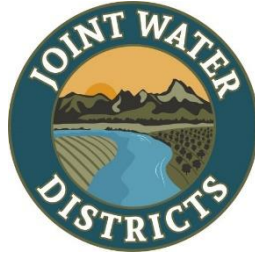


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**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE JOINT WATER DISTRICTS
NOVEMBER 8, 2022 AT 10:00 A.M.**

THE JOINT WATER DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MET IN REGULAR SESSION AT BUTTE WATER DISTRICT'S BOARDROOM, LOCATED AT 735 VIRGINIA STREET, GRIDLEY.

The meeting was called to order at 10:04 by Director Meyer with the following Directors present: Walt Meyer, Dominic Nevis, Carl Yank and Charlie Etcheverry. Managers present: Donnie Stinnett, Danny Robinson, Lynn Phillips, Mark Orme and Sean Earley. Guest(s) present: Dustin Cooper of Minasian Law Firm.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Director Yank moved to approve the agenda as submitted. The motion was seconded by Director Etcheverry and passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No Public Comment

NEW BUSINESS:

A. 2022-2023 Water Season –

- a. Update on Lake Oroville Operations** – An update was given on current Lake Oroville operations.
- b. Final Allocation Reports** – An update was the estimated final water use for the 2022 allocated water season.
- c. Non-Allotted Water Season** – An update was given on the non-allotted water season.

B. Water Exchange Between Western Canal Water District and the Joint Water Districts Board – Manager Stinnett gave an update on the total amount of water exchanged between Western Canal Water District and the Joint Water Districts Board. Director Nevis motioned to approve the 1,170 acre-feet water exchange between Western Canal Water District and the Joint Water Districts Board. Director Etcheverry seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- C. **SGMA Groundwater Management** – Manager Earley gave an update on the current SGMA proceedings in the Butte Subbasin.

MONTHLY RECURRING ITEMS/MANGER’S REPORT:

- A. Director Yank motioned to approve the October 11, 2022 regular meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Director Nevis and the motion passed unanimously.
- B. Director Nevis motioned to approve the financial reports of November 7, 2022 and to pay the bills numbered 6559 through 6567 in the amount of \$24,805.05. Director Yank seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

NCWA MEETINGS UPDATES:

Director Meyer and Director Yank gave an update on NCWA topics and the most recent meetings. NCWA dues will not be going up next year.

DIRECTORS’ REPORTS:

No Update

MANAGERS’ REPORTS:

Manager Stinnett noted that he will be meeting with each manager to discuss upcoming projects within the Joint Works. The belding meter is going to be moved next year as approved at an earlier meeting. Manager Stinnett will be looking for each manager to update the acreage totals for the allotted water season.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL (CLOSED SESSION) – EXISTING LITIGATION, Bay Delta Proceedings including the proposed California Water Fix, the accompanying petition to change points of diversion, and amendments to the Bay-Delta Water Quality Control Plan. Government Code section 54956.9, subdivision (a).

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION (Government Code § 54656.9(d)(1).) AquAlliance et al. v. Biggs-West Gridley Water District et al. Butte Co. Superior Court, Case No. 22CV00347.

CLOSED SESSION – Anticipated Litigation (Government Code § 54656.9(d)(2) or (d)(3).)
Significant exposure to litigation; one potential case

The Board moved into closed session at 10:37 a.m.

The Board returned to open session at 11:42 a.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM CLOSED SESSION

Upon reconvening into open session Director Meyer noted no action was taken but direction was given to legal counsel.

MEETING AGENDA:

The next regular meeting is scheduled for December 13, 2022. Monthly reoccurring items will be placed on the agenda. Manager Stinnett submitted forms for his annual review and this item will be placed on the next agenda. Potential water transfers will be placed on the next agenda under closed session.

ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING: Being no further discussion the meeting was adjourned at 11:47 a.m.

Walt Meyer, President

Donnie Stinnett, Manager