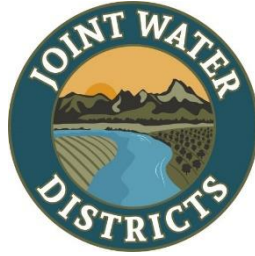


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**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE JOINT WATER DISTRICTS
MAY 10, 2022 AT 10:00 A.M.**

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 10:00 by Director Meyer with the following Directors present: Walt Meyer, Dominic Nevis and Carl Yank. Managers present: Donnie Stinnett, Lynn Phillips, Danny Robinson and Sean Earley. Guest(s) present: Dustin Cooper of Minasian Law Firm and Xavier "Tito" Cervantes, Michelle Dooley and Todd Flackus of the Department of Water Resources – Northern Division.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No Public Comment

NEW BUSINESS:

- A.** Discussion with Xavier "Tito" Cervantes of the Department of Water Resources – Tito was joined by Michelle Dooley and Todd Flackus from the Department of Water Resources Northern Division office. Discuss was held on the current dry year conditions and concerns leading into the summer months. Discussion was also held on the relationship the Joint Water Districts Board has developed with the Department and the continued work on SGMA.

- B. 2022 Water Season –**
 - a. Update on Lake Oroville Operations** – An update was given on current Lake Oroville operations.

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

- D. **Liability Amendment to the Joint Working Agreement** – Attorney Cooper gave an overview of the different options the Board can look at in regards to adding the liability amendment to the Joint Working Agreement. Attorney Cooper will provide a memo to each of the representative districts for review at their upcoming regularly scheduled board meetings.

MONTHLY RECURRING ITEMS/MANGER’S REPORT:

- A. Director Yank motioned to approve the April 12, 2022 regular meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Director Nevis and the motion passed unanimously.

- B. Manager Yank motioned to approve the financial reports of May 9, 2022 and to pay the bills numbered 6474 through 6488 in the amount of \$32,982.70. Director Nevis seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

NCWA MEETINGS UPDATES:

Director Yank gave an update on the NCWA meeting he participated in.

DIRECTORS’ REPORTS:

No Update

MANAGERS’ REPORTS:

No Update

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 REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS (CLOSED SESSION) – Each District Manager and its General Counsel of record regarding the terms and conditions of a potential 2022 water transfer with the State Water Project Contractors. *Government Code section 54956.8*

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.

The Board moved into closed session at 11:03 a.m.

The Board returned to open session at 12:08 p.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 June 14, 2022. Monthly reoccurring items will be placed on the agenda.

ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING: Being no further discussion the meeting was adjourned at 12:09 p.m.

Walt Meyer, President

Donnie Stinnett, Manager