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**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE JOINT WATER DISTRICTS  
JUNE 14, 2022 AT 10:00 A.M.**

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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 10:02 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.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

No Public Comment

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. 2022 Water Season –**
  - a. Update on Lake Oroville Operations –** An update was given on current Lake Oroville operations. There will be call with DWR on June 24<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m.
- B. 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.
- C. Liability Amendment to the Joint Working Agreement –** Attorney Cooper reviewed the memo and options in front of the Directors in regards to updating the Joint Working Agreement where liability would be addressed as an amendment. After some discussion of the different options provided it was the consensus of the Board to have Manager Stinnett produce a worksheet showing a history of water deliveries into the Sutter Butte Canal so an overview could be had of what previous deliveries looked like. Each Director

will take these options back to their respective meetings for review and discuss further at the next regular meeting

**MONTHLY RECURRING ITEMS/MANGER’S REPORT:**

- A. Director Nevis motioned to approve the May 10, 2022 regular meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Director Yank and the motion passed unanimously.
  
- B. Manager Yank motioned to approve the financial reports of June 10, 2022 and to pay the bills numbered 6489 through 6499 in the amount of \$51,467.64. Director Nevis seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**NCWA MEETINGS UPDATES:**

No Update

**DIRECTORS’ REPORTS:**

No Update

**MANAGERS’ REPORTS:**

Manager Stinnett provided information to the Board in regards to having an unpaid volunteer ride along and “shadow” him for a few days a week, a couple weeks out of the month. The Board had no issues with this as long as it can be determined the unpaid volunteer would be covered by Workers Compensation. Manager Stinnett will let the Board know what he finds out.

**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 11:09 a.m.

The Board returned to open session at 11:41 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 July 12, 2022. Monthly reoccurring items will be placed on the agenda.

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

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Walt Meyer, President

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Donnie Stinnett, Manager