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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE JOINT WATER DISTRICTS AUGUST 12, 2025 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.

Director Nevis called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with the following Directors present: Dominic Nevis, Carl Yank, and Walt Meyer. Managers present: Donnie Stinnett, Lynn Phillips, Danny Robinson, Sean Earley and Mitch Renfree. Guest(s) present: Dustin Cooper of Minasian Law Firm.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Director Yank moved to approve the agenda as submitted. Director Meyer seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No Public Comment

NEW BUSINESS:

A. 2025 Water Season -

- a. Update on Lake Oroville Operations—Manager Renfree provided an update on the lake levels. Over the last month, the Lake has decreased from 88% to 73% capacity. It was also reported that River Releases are currently at 6,524 CFS.
- **b.** Update on 2025 Allotted Water Season— Manager Renfree reported that everything is going smoothly at this time.
- c. Update on 2025 Joint Work Maintenance and Future Projects—Manager Renfree reported that there was a Break in the Canal on July 14. Water had to be shut off around 7 p.m. The next morning, Butte Water District and Sutter Extension worked together to help get the canal fixed and back into operation within 12 hours of the water being shut off. Manager Renfree complimented both districts involved and stated that everyone worked together as a team and accomplished the job quickly and efficiently.

B. SGMA Groundwater Management—An SGMA update was given regarding the Sutter and Butte Subbasins.

MONTHLY RECURRING ITEMS/MANAGER'S REPORT:

- **A.** Director Yank motioned to approve the July 14, 2025, regular meeting minutes. Director Nevis seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.
- **B.** Director Meyer motioned to approve the financial reports for August 2025 and to pay the bills for August in the amount of \$120,355.96. Director Yank seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

NCWA MEETINGS UPDATES:

An NCWA update was given. Director Meyer reported on recent NCWA meetings.

DIRECTORS' REPORTS:

No Report

MANAGERS' REPORTS:

Manager Renfree reported that he would be taking his Vacation from September 9th to the 21st. He asked who would be best to fill in for him, and it was determined that he should ask Doyle Carter of RID to take water orders in his absence.

<u>CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL (CLOSED SESSION)</u> – EXISTING LITIGATION, Bay Delta Proceedings, including the proposed Delta Conveyance Project and amendments to the Bay-Delta Water Quality Control Plan. Government Code § 54956.9, subdivision (a) and (d)(1).

<u>CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION</u> (Government Code § 54656.9(d)(1).) AquAlliance et al. v. Biggs-West Gridley Water District et al. Butte Co. Superior Court, Case No. 22CV00347. Government Code § 54956.9, subdivision (a) and (d)(1).

The Board moved into closed session at 11:07 a.m.

The Board returned to open session at 12:30 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM CLOSED SESSION

Upon reconvening into open session, Director Nevis noted that no action had been taken, but direction had been given to legal counsel.

MEETING AGENDA:

The next regular meeting is scheduled for September 9^{th} 2025. The agenda will include monthly recurring items.

ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING: There was no further discussion, so the meeting was adjourned at 12:34 p.m.

Dominic Nevis, President

Mitch Renfree, Manager