

**WILLOW COUNTY WATER DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING  
JULY 11, 2022  
6:30 P.M.**

Present: Mike Hildreth, Director  
Gary Nevill, Director

Ross LaRue, Director

Absent: Devin Gordon

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Others Present: Jared Walker, GM, Kate Barrett, Board Secretary, Liz Patton, Office Manager, Beth Salmone, RRFC, Ken Smith, Public

Director Gary Nevill called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. Roll Call was taken.

**Minutes**

Director LaRue made a motion, seconded by Director Hildreth, to approve the minutes of the June 13, 2022 regular board meeting. This motion was passed with a unanimous aye vote.

**Financial Statement**

Director LaRue made a motion, seconded by Director Hildreth, to approve the financials for June 2022. This motion was passed with a unanimous aye vote.

**Public Forum**

- None.

**Staff Reports**

**a. General Manager**

- i. GM, Walker reported that the Norgard Well field has been put into operation for the season.
- ii. There have been several leaks that have popped up this last week, but staff was able to take care of them.

**b. Office Manager**

- i. Office Manager, Patton reported that the auditor was here last week.

**Old Business**

**a. Report on Water Districts Service Contracts**

- i. GM, Walker reported that Hopland is going to have a diving crew to do an inspection on one of their tanks. They are able to dive in while the tank is still in service and epoxy patch the inside where there has been a few leaks.
- ii. River Estates has a couple new services going in.
- iii. Calpella wants to look at consulting services for consolidation for URRWA.

**b. Report on JPA**

- i. GM, Walker reported that there hasn't been any new discussions on consolidation due to state staff being on vacation.
- ii. The consolidation program through the State that URRWA was looking into has a cap of \$20million, however the Districts and City would need about \$50million for infrastructure improvements for the consolidation to work effectively.

**c. Report on PG&E Potter Valley Project**

- i. GM, Walker reported that FERC has yet to approve PG&E's variance request to bring the inflows into Lake Mendocino to 5 CFS from 75 CFS.
- ii. The longer FERC waits to take action, the more water is coming into Lake Mendocino.

**d. Update on Drought and Water Conservation Efforts**

- i. GM, Walker reported that everything for the next 3-4 months is dependent on PG&E's variance and whether or not FERC approves or partially approves it.
- ii. During a State Board meeting, an update was given that Willow CWD will have 10% of their water rights curtailed.
  - 1. If PG&E's variance is approved, there is a chance that all the district's water rights will be fully curtailed.
  - 2. Staff feels that the conservation numbers will change in the coming months.
- iii. The longer FERC takes, the better it is for everyone in the Russian River Watershed.

**New Business**

**a. Proposed Budget for FY 2022/2023**

- i. Director Hildreth made a motion, seconded by Director LaRue, to approve the Proposed Budget for FY 2022/2023. This motion was passed with a unanimous aye vote.

**Adjourn**

Director Hildreth made a motion, seconded by Director LaRue, to adjourn. This motion was passed with a unanimous aye vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

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 PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
 WILLOW COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

Date \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST \_\_\_\_\_  
 SECRETARY TO THE BOARD  
 WILLOW COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

Date \_\_\_\_\_