# MINUTES REDWOOD VALLEY COUNTY WATER DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD MEETING TELECONFERENCE VIA ZOOM THURSDAY, JULY 15, 2021

Call to Order: 5:01 p.m.

**Directors Present:** 

Director, Bree Klotter Director, Jeff Basili

Director, Tom Schoeneman

Absent:Director, Ken Todd

#### Others Present:

Jared Walker, GM, Liz Patton, Office Manager, Kate Barrett, Board Secretary, RV Rancheria Mary Camp, Tribal Administrator

#### **Public Forum**

None.

# Consider hearing of urgent items received since the agenda was posted

GM, Walker reported that he would like to add *Michael Celentano Audit Terms of Engagement* under *New Business* as 10c).

GM, Walker reported that he would like to add RV Infrastructure Retrofit Easement Contracts under New Business as 10d).

## Agenda

Director Klotter made a motion, seconded by Director Basili, to accept the agenda as amended. This motion was passed with a unanimous aye vote.

#### **Minutes**

Director Basili made a motion, seconded by Director Schoeneman, to approve the minutes of the June 15, 2021 regular board meeting. This motion was passed with a unanimous aye vote.

#### **Financial Statements**

Director Basili made a motion, seconded by Director Klotter, to approve the financials for June 2021. The motion was passed with a unanimous aye vote.

# **Staff Reports**

## a. General Manager

- i. GM, Walker reported that day to day operations are going well.
- ii. This time of the year, there are service leaks pop up but staff is on them as soon as they find out
- iii. A previous long-time Redwood Valley employee, Scott Norcross, is coming back to work for Willow on the 26th.

# b. Office Manager

i. Office Manager, Liz Patton reported that Paula has been reaching out to customers who have gone over or close to their allotment of water nonstop for two days.

#### **Old Business**

# a. Drought and Water Supply Updates

- i. Water usage has been reduced by approximately 35% since last year. The vast majority of Redwood Valley is doing a good job conserving water. Some customers are unresponsive, but staff are doing the best they can to try and communicate with them.
- ii. Lake Mendocino is losing about a foot of water a week. It is expected to reach the 20,000 acre foot mark by September.

# b. Redwood Valley CWD Infrastructure Retrofit Project

i. GM, Walker reported that the project is on track. Staff is preparing to flush the new water lines.

# c. Redwood Valley Rancheria Funding

i. GM, Walker reported that with everything going on with the drought, there is grant money available, but need to continue to work with Mary Camp.

# d. Upper Russian River Water Agency

- i. GM, Walker reported that there is ongoing talk about drought and consolidation.
- ii. The next URRWA meeting there will be a presentation from BB&K, the legal team for the Sanitation District, regarding consolidation.
- iii. Former board member, Marvin Talso, wrote a letter to the state regarding Redwood Valleys' water and financial problems and it caused some concern with information that was not accurate

# e. Redwood Valley CWD/Russian River Flood Control Annexation

i. GM, Walker reported that the ad hoc committee is meeting next week, so there will be more to report next month.

#### **New Business**

## a. UVBGSA Funding for next 5 Years

- i. GM, Walker reported that there has been a study that went out from Salinas, CA's GSA.
- ii. There might be some grant funding available if the member agencies really show that they are serious about creating and maintaining the GSA.
- iii. The board agrees that they will have to contribute money, but they do not want to put a dollar amount on it yet.

# b. 2021/2022 Budget

i. Director Klotter made a motion, seconded by Director Basili, to approve the 2021/2022 Budget. This motion was approved with a unanimous aye vote.

# c. Michael Celentano's Audit Terms of Engagement

 Director Klotter made a motion, seconded by Director Basili, to accept Michael Celentano's audit terms of engagement. This motion was passed with a unanimous aye vote.

# d. Brelje & Race Right-of-Way Easement Contracts

Director Klotter made a motion, seconded by Director Basili, to approve the Right-of-Way contract between Mathew Frazer and Kiley Frazier regarding APN 160-090-15 in the amount of \$10,000.00. This motion was passed with a unanimous aye vote.

- ii. Director Basili made a motion, seconded by Director klotter, to approve the Right-of-Way contract between Deno Dogali regarding APN 160-090-13 in the amount of \$12,500.00. This motion was passed with a unanimous aye vote.
- iii. Director Klotter made a motion, seconded by Director Basili, to approve the Right-of-Way contract between Richard Perrone regarding APN 160-160-03 in the amount of \$4,100.00. This motion was passed with a unanimous aye vote.
- iv. Director Basili made a motion, seconded by Director Klotter, to approve the Right-of-Way contract between Mathew Frazer and Kiley Frazier regarding APN 160-090-15 in the amount of \$10,000.00. This motion was passed with a unanimous aye vote.
- v. Director Klotter made a motion, seconded by Director Basili, to approve the Right-of-Way contract between Jose Maria Gonzalez Nunez regarding APN 160-160-04 in the amount of \$1,050.00. This motion was passed with a unanimous aye vote.
- vi. Director Basili made a motion, seconded by Director Klotter, to approve the Right-of-Way contract between Clyde A. and Christine R. Duncan (50% interest)/James G. Lockhart Jr. and Amber D. Duncan-Lockhart regarding APN 160-160-02 in the amount of \$3,900.00. This motion was passed with a unanimous aye vote.
- vii. Director Klotter made a motion, seconded by Director Basili, to approve the Right-of-Way contract between Baldemar Alvarez regarding APN 160-090-14 in the amount of \$5,000.00. This motion was passed with a unanimous aye vote.

## **Director's Report**

Director Schoeneman reported that he attended a Russian River Flood Control meeting and an Inland Water and Power meeting.

## **Closed Session**

The board did not adjourn into a closed session.

# Adjournment

Director Basili made a motion, seconded by Director Klotter, to adjourn the meeting. This motion was passed with a unanimous aye vote. The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

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Tom Schoeneman - Board President	
Kate Barrett - Board Secretary	Date