

**RAISIN CITY WATER DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES**

Meeting Date:  
Tuesday, March 19, 2024  
**1:30 PM**

Meeting Location:  
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Directors Present:	Gere Gunlund Don Cameron John Verwey
Directors Absent	Gagan Batth Jonathon DeGroot
Other Attendees:	Randy Hopkins, Provost & Pritchard Laurie Sales, Provost & Pritchard Rick Besecker, Provost & Pritchard Lynn Moeller, Provost & Pritchard Jeff O'Neal, Provost & Pritchard Ken Alles Martin Scheidt Cristel Tufenkjian (MAGSA) Matt Abercrombie Eric Abrahamsen Manny Amorelli

**1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Gunlund)**

Director Gunlund called the meeting to order at 1:30

**2. RECOGNITION OF ATTENDEES (Hopkins)**

The attendees were introduced.

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT** (*Gunlund*)

The first fifteen minutes of this portion of the meeting are reserved for members of the public to address the Board of Directors. Speakers shall be limited to three minutes. Speakers will be asked to identify themselves and state the subject of their comment(s). The Board is prohibited by law from taking any action on matters discussed that are not on the Agenda, and no adverse conclusions should be drawn if the Board does not respond to public comment at this time.

No public comments.

**4. POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST** (*Gunlund*)

Any Board Member who has a potential conflict of interest may now identify the item and recuse themselves from discussing and voting on the matter. [FPPC §87105]

No conflicts of interest noted.

**5. MINUTES** (*Hopkins*)

- A. Discussion / possible action to approve minutes for:
  - i. February 20, 2024, Regular Board Meeting

Director Cameron made a motion to approve the minutes. Director Verwey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by those present.

**6. FINANCIAL** (*Besecker*)

- A. Discussion / possible action to approve the financial report and District bills.

Director Cameron made a motion to approve the payment of the bills. Director Verwey seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by those present.

Mr. Besecker also updated the board on the budget.

**7. ANNEXATION** (*Hopkins/Moeller*)

- A. Report on the status of the annexation process.

Mr. O'Neal provided the board with an update. The MSR document draft has been prepared. To change the SOI, LAFCO requires the review of the MSR to determine if the district can provide the services needed by the new SOI.

LAFCO will be able to review the SOI and MSR in an upcoming meeting. Mr. O'Neal indicated we are on schedule. The plan is to be on the May 8<sup>th</sup> LAFCO hearing. The state Board of Equalization will also need to approve the new boundary..

In order to go to a vote of the affected residents and landowners, LAFCO needs to receive protests from more than 25% of those affected by the process.

**8. AD-HOC COMMITTEES**

- A. The Board of Directors will hear reports from the following Ad-Hoc Committees:
  - i. Fresno ID Committee (*Cameron/DeGroot*)

Nothing to report

- ii. James ID Committee (*Gunland/DeGroot*)

Director Gunlund reported that they had met with Manny Amorelli at James ID. There was discussion of the annexation. Mr. Amorelli stated the district is open to discussing annexation and is currently not taking the hard stand they had earlier in the process.

**9. McMULLIN EXPANSION PROJECT** *(Moeller/Hurley)*

A. Report on the status of the project.

Ms. Moeller said waiting on NRCS. Ms. Tufenkjian reported that the plans have been submitted, but not much movement.

**10. MAGSA ACTIVITIES** *(Cameron/DeGroot/Hurley/Moeller)*

A. Report on MAGSA activities.

Ms. Tufenkjian reported the Aquaterra Water Bank Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration is available for Public Comment on the state clearinghouse as of today. This starts the 30-day public review period.

She also reported that MAGSA is offering a rebate on meters and telemetry systems. The rebate launched in January but is seeing more activity.

The well mitigation policy for the basin is out for review. If no substantial comments are received, it will be in the April board meeting for adoption.

The GSP update is in progress. Looking into the monitoring well network and making updates.

**11. CORRESPONDENCE** *(Hopkins)*

A. Correspondence since the previous Board of Directors meeting may be presented.

Mr. Hopkins reported nothing to add.

**12. NEXT REGULAR MEETING** *(Hopkins)*

A. Discussion / possible action regarding the date of the scheduled regular meeting of the Board of Directors, currently scheduled for April 16, 2024.

Based on the calendar of events presented last month, nothing needs to happen in April. Mr. Hopkins wouldn't be available that day, so the board decided to cancel the April meeting.

**13. UPCOMING EVENTS** *(Hopkins)*

A. ACWA Spring 2024 – May 7 -9, 2024 in Sacramento, CA

**14. ADJOURNMENT** *(Gunlund)*

Director Gunlund adjourned the meeting at 1:52.

APPROVED:

  
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Randy Hopkins, Secretary