

# WASHOE COUNTY WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

## Regular Meeting

March 1, 2022

### DIRECTORS

Cory Casazza  
John Capurro  
Louis Damonte  
Lawrence Belli  
Doug Avanzino  
Kevin Quilici

### GUESTS

Lucas Foletta, Attorney (McDonald, Carano)  
George Ball, Engineer  
Shane Dyer, Dyer Engineering  
Scott Schoenfeld, USBR  
Dave Wathen, Watermaster's Office

### PUBIC

### ABSENT

Bill Hauck

### STAFF

Mary Pat Eymann, Dist. Manager  
Brian Casci, Damtender

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1. **DETERMINATION OF QUORUM AND CALL MEETING TO ORDER –**  
President Casazza called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m., quorum present.
  2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS –**  
None
  3. **APPROVE AGENDA –**
    - ❖ Director Capurro made a motion to approve posted agenda; seconded by Director Damonte; motion carried.
  4. **APPROVE BOARD MINUTES: CHECKS WRITTEN AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.**
    - ❖ Director Capurro made a motion to approve the minutes for January 2022, financial statements and checks written as presented; seconded by Director Belli; motion carried.
  5. **FEDERAL WATER MASTERS REPORT –** Dave Wathen  
*A complete copy of the Water Report is available at District Offices or on the internet at [troa.net](http://troa.net).*
  6. **DISCUSSION, ACTION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF USGS STREAM GAUGING PROGRAM FOR 2022-2023 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,140 AND SIGNING OF THE JOINT FUNDING AGREEMENT - Staff**
    - ❖ Director Capurro made a motion to approve the signing and expense of the USGS Stream Gauging Agreement; seconded by Director Avanzino; motion carried.
  7. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON REGULAR ASSESSMENT RATE FOR FY2022-2023 –**  
Director Capurro

Under the statute the Board annually sets the regular rate for assessments. The statutes allow the rate to increase by the CPI for the prior period. There is a separate rate for the Safety of Dams Project. The rate for last year was \$5.89.

- ❖ Director Capurro made a motion to increase the rate by the CPI rate; seconded by Director Belli; motion carried.

**8. DISCUSSION, POSSIBLE ACTION AND DIRECTION TO STAFF ON DISTRICT ENGINEER POSITION – Director Casazza**

This item will be carried to next month.

**9. UPDATE, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION OF SAFETY OF DAMS PROJECT – Shane Dyer**

Nothing new, the repayment schedule should begin in October 2022.

**10. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION AND DIRECTION TO STAFF ON FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION (FERC) PRELIMINARY PERMIT FOR A POWER PLANT AT BOCA DAM. – Shane Dyer**

Nothing new.

**11. LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT – Lucas Foletta**

Michael Pagni who was the attorney for the District has left McDonald Caranno as of February 28, 2022. Lucas Foletta is the new attorney who will be assisting the District.

**12. DAMTENDER REPORT – Brian Casci**

The radial gates for the spillway will now need an annual test to open fully. per the USBR. If the gates are opened fully the fence is in the way. Brian is waiting to hear from the Bureau to see if they indeed need to open fully and what options there are for adjusting the fence if needed.

**13. PUBLIC COMMENTS – none**

**14. BOARD COMMENTS AND REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**Board Comments – none**

**Future Agenda Items –**

- Agenda item #8, Engineering position

**15. ADJOURNMENT –** There being no further business Director Damonte made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Director Belli; motion carried, meeting adjourned.

**\*\*The next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, April 5, 2022, at 1:00 pm.\*\***