

WASHOE COUNTY WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Regular Meeting

August 2, 2022

DIRECTORS

Cory Casazza (late)
Bill Hauck
Lawrence Belli
John Capurro
Kevin Quilici

OTHER

Lucas Foletta, Attorney (McDonald, Carano)
Shane Dyer, Engineer
Scott Schoenfeld, USBR (late)
Chad Blanchard, FWM

GUESTS

ABSENT

Louis Damonte
Doug Avanzino

STAFF

Mary Pat Eymann, Dist. Manager
Brian Casci, Damtender

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1. **DETERMINATION OF QUORUM AND CALL MEETING TO ORDER –**
Vice-President Hauck 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 Quilici; motion carried.
 4. **APPROVE BOARD MINUTES: CHECKS WRITTEN AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.**
 - ❖ Director Capurro made a motion to approve the minutes for June 2022, financial statements and checks written as presented; seconded by Director Belli; motion carried.
 5. **FEDERAL WATER MASTERS REPORT –** Chad Blanchard
A complete copy of the Water Report is available at District Offices or on the internet at troa.net.

The first fill requirement per the Safety of Dams has been fulfilled. Should have rates until mid-late October.
 6. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE TERMINATION OF THE ENGINEERING CONTRACT BETWEEN THE DISTRICT AND ENGINEER GEORGE BALL – Staff**
 - ❖ Director Capurro made a motion to terminate the contract with George Ball as District Engineer as per the original contract of the 30-day notice and Mr. Ball will be paid for the month of August; seconded by Director Quilici; motion carried.

It was discussed that staff send Mr. Ball something to express their appreciation for all his years of service.

7. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE ACCEPTANCE AND SIGNATURE OF THE CONTRACT WITH JUB ENGINEERING AS THE ENGINEERING FIRM FOR THE DISTRICT – Director Capurro

- ❖ Director Capurro made a motion to accept the contract with Jub Engineering Company as the contract engineering firm for the District; seconded by Director Belli; motion carried.

8. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ACCEPT BARNARD VOGLER & CO. AS AUDITORS FOR FY2021-2022 – Staff

- ❖ Director Quilici made a motion to accept Barnard Vogler & Co as the auditors for the District; seconded by Director Belli.

9. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON STAFF COST OF LIVING INCREASES FOR FY 2022-2023 – Director Capurro

- ❖ Director Capurro made a motion to approve a cost-of-living increase for staff of 4.5% and to monitor and re-evaluate the first of the year; seconded by Director Belli; motion carried.

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

The PMT meeting for August was cancelled. The Bureau is still working on getting the District a copy of the “as built” drawings. The Bureau said they have sent the re-payment contract however it has not been received by the District or Attorney Foletta. Mr. Dyer is going to follow up to on this.

11. 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 to report.

12. LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT – Lucas Foletta

Nothing additional.

13. DAMTENDER REPORT – Brian Casci

There was a fire at Boca on June 30, 2022. Parr Electric, which is the company that re-attached the eye on the guideline across the spillway may have caused the powerline to arc and start the fire. Parr came out and fixed the line and power is back on. It was determined to be a defect from installation and no bill will be sent by Parr.

Director Quilici asked if the District is liable in a situation such as this. Attorney Foletta stated that when 3rd parties are engaged to do work you can include an indemnification provision. Director Casazza asked if this was part of the Safety of Dams project, yes it was, Parr was hired by the USBR.

14. PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

15. BOARD COMMENTS AND REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Board Comments – none

Future Agenda Items –

16. ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business the meeting was adjourned by Vice-President Hauck.

****The next regular meeting will be held
Tuesday, September 6, 2022, at 1:00 pm.****

John Capurro, Secretary/Treasurer