

WASHOE COUNTY WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Regular Meeting

October 4, 2022

DIRECTORS

Cory Casazza
Bill Hauck
John Capurro
Kevin Quilici
Louis Damonte

OTHER

Lucas Foletta, Attorney (McDonald, Carano)
Pat Fritchel, FWM

GUESTS

STAFF

Mary Pat Eymann, Dist. Manager
Brian Casci, Damtender

ABSENT

Doug Avanzino
Lawrence Belli

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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 Hauck made a motion to approve posted agenda; seconded by Director Capurro; motion carried.
 4. **APPROVE BOARD MINUTES: CHECKS WRITTEN AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.**
 - ❖ Director Capurro made a motion to approve the minutes for August 2022, financial statements and checks written as presented; seconded by Director Hauck; motion carried.
 5. **FEDERAL WATER MASTERS REPORT –** Pat Fritchel
A complete copy of the Water Report is available at District Offices or on the internet at troa.net.
 6. **REAPPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR HAUCK TO THE NORTHERN NEVADA WATER PLANNING COMMISSION – Director Hauck**

Director Hauck currently serves as the District representative to the NNWPC and needs reappointment.

 - ❖ Director Capurro made a motion to reappointment Director Bill Hauck as the representative to the Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission; seconded by Director Quilici; motion carried.

7. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE DIRECTION TO STAFF ON THE EXTENSION OF THE LEASE FOR THE OFFICE AT 1005 TERMINAL WAY, SUITE 150 - Staff

The current lease is set to expire in March of 2023 and needs to be extended or changed by December 31, 2022. Preliminary contact has been made with the landlords and they would like us to continue our lease. An estimated increase of rent would be 3-6%. The Carson District did approve to proceed with negotiations.

- ❖ Director Hauck made a motion directing staff to contact the landlord and enter into negotiations and bring back to the Board numbers for a vote; seconded by Director Damonte; motion carried.

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

Mr. Dyer was not present but did email that he had no updates.

Staff did advise that the first payment will be made for the project.

9. 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.

10. LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT – Lucas Foletta

Nothing additional.

11. DAMTENDER REPORT – Brian Casci

The annual inspection was completed in August and the following issues were presented:

1. When releasing low flows (under 20 cfs) there is not enough velocity to push the water out at the main jet-flow gates. This results in a little bit of water leaking back into the sump area. There is a sump pump down there. It appears there is some packing there that may just need replacement. RDC will be contacted to come out and look to see what needs to be done and Brian will return to the Board with an estimate.
2. When the radial gates are open to 100%, they meet the fence. The bureau does not want them in contact with one another when open 100%. Brian will contact Tholl Fence to come give a bid and return to the Board with the information and estimate.
3. There is a spot on the bottom of the spillway where there is a concrete joint that only de-waters so far using the sump pump. The sump pump needs to be lowered so that the dewatering can be at a lower point. Brian will contact RDC for an estimate and report back to the Board.

12. PUBLIC COMMENTS –

Staff advised that an email had been received by Jose Rosado, NRCS that the Peavine Creek/Truckee River PIFR had been finalized and it was determined that the project is ineligible due to not finding any feasible way that the project could meet the 20% agricultural or rural benefit that is required for the program. The District was the sponsoring agency for this project.

13. BOARD COMMENTS AND REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Board Comments –

Director Casazza – Expressed in the Board doing a field trip to the Dam. Discussion that the actual meeting would be changed to Wednesday, November 2, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. Following the meeting those interest could proceed to the dam for a tour.

Future Agenda Items – none

14. ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business the meeting was adjourned by President Casazza.

****The next regular meeting will be held
Wednesday, November 2, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.****

John Capurro, Secretary/Treasurer