

WASHOE COUNTY WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Regular Meeting

February 7, 2023

DIRECTORS

Doug Avanzino
Kevin Quilici
John Capurro (Zoom)
Cory Casazza

OTHER

Phillip Mannely, Attorney (McDonald, Carano)
Chad Blanchard, FWM
Shane Dyer, JUB Engineering
Scott Schoenfeld, USBR

ABSENT

Louis Damonte
Bill Hauck

STAFF

Mary Pat Eymann, Dist. Manager
Brian Casci, Damtender (Zoom)

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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 – No changes to posted agenda items.**
 4. **APPROVE BOARD MINUTES: CHECKS WRITTEN AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.**
 - ❖ Director Capurro made a motion to approve the minutes and financial statements as stated; seconded by Director Avanzino; 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.
 6. **UPDATE, DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION TO STAFF ON THE VACANCY IN DISTRICT 1 FOLLOWING THE DEATH OF DIRECTOR BELLI AND SOLICITATION OF INTEREST FROM POTENTIAL CANDIDATES –**

Brian Casci (Damtender) has left messages for Lawrence Belli's son Mike who may be interested in serving on the Board, he will continue trying to reach Mike Belli. Also, a neighbor of the Belli's might be interested.

Attorney Mannely advised that there is a time limit involved and this should be done as quickly as possible, the Chairman is also able to appoint someone to the position as long as they meet the criteria.

7. DISCUSSION, ACTION AND POSSIBLE APPROVA OF USGS STREAM GAUGING PROGRAM FOR 2023-2024 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,343 AND THE SIGNING OF THE JOINT FUNDING AGREEMENT – Staff

- ❖ Director Capurro made a motion to approve the signing and participation in the USGS Stream Gauging program; seconded by Director Avanzino; motion carried.

8. DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION TO STAFF ON THE FENCE REPAIR AT BOCA DAM – Brian Casci

Damtender Casci and Engineer Dyer are going to go up in the Spring, after snow melt and discuss what can be done and will report back to the Board.

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

Nothing new to report.

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 to report.

11. LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT – Phillip Mannely

Nothing additional.

12. DAMTENDER REPORT – Brian Casci

- During the last inspection the Bureau again advised that at the bottom of the spillway there is a void in the concrete that needs repairing. RDC will be contacted to come look at the situation.
- 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 adjustment or replacement. Engineer Dyer advised that the age of the gaskets needs to be determined before tightening. Mr. Dyer is going to the dam and see what the issue is and will report back.

13. PUBLIC COMMENTS –

- Scott Shoenfeld, USBR – the Periodic review will be conducted tomorrow at the dam.

14. BOARD COMMENTS AND REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Board Comments – none

Future Agenda Items –

1. Fence repair at Boca
2. District 1 Board position

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

****The next regular meeting will be held
Tuesday, March 7, 2023, at 1:00 p.m.**

John Capurro, Secretary/Treasurer