

**MINUTES**  
**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
Of the  
**TEHAMA-COLUSA CANAL AUTHORITY**  
5513 Hwy 162  
WILLOWS, CA 95988  
May 9, 2016  
09:00 a.m.

**PRESENT:**

HALBERT CHARTER*	D	COLUSA COUNTY W.D.
LINDA HAYES*	D	CORNING W.D.
GLENN KELLEY*	D	CORTINA W.D.
DONITA HENDRIX*	A	DUNNIGAN W.D.
WADE MATHIS*	D	4-M W.D.
JOHN AMARO*	D	GCID
MIKE ALVES*	A	GLIDE/KANAWHA W.D.
JIM JONES*	D	ORLAND-ARTOIS W.D.
EMIL CAVAGNOLO*	A	ORLAND-ARTOIS W.D.
DAN JONES*	D	PROBERTA W.D.
BART FLEHARTY*	D	THOMES CREEK W.D.
DAN RUIZ*	A	WESTSIDE W.D.

**DISTRICTS ABSENT:**

DAVIS W.D.  
HOLTHOUSE W.D.  
KIRKWOOD W.D.  
LAGRANDE W.D.

**ALSO PRESENT:**

JEFF SUTTON*	TCCA
J. MARK ATLAS*	J. MARK ATLAS LAW
NATALIE WOLDER	USBR
BILL VANDERWAAL	PROVOST & PRITCHARD

“\*” indicates closed session attendance

“D” indicates designated director “A” indicates designated alternate

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Vice-Chairman Charter called the meeting to order at 09:05 a.m.

## **DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM**

Roll was called and a quorum was declared present for the conduct of business, with 12 Districts represented.

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

### **M/S/C - AMARO/J. JONES - UNANIMOUS**

To approve the May 09, 2016 Amended Special Meeting Agenda.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

### **MONTHLY RE-OCCURRING ITEMS**

#### **A. Board Meeting Minutes**

### **M/S/C - D. JONES/HAYES - UNANIMOUS**

To approve the April 06, 2016 regular meeting minutes.

#### **B. Treasurer's Report**

### **M/S/C- AMARO/FLAHERTY -UNANIMOUS**

To approve the March 2016 Financial Report as presented.

- a. TCCA Treasurer's Reports, March 2016
- b. TCCA Expense to Budget Reports, March 2016

#### **C. USBR Report**

Natalie Wolder, USBR, reported on the storage status of Shasta, and the progress on the EA for the Accelerated Transfer Program.

## **GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

### **Operations & Maintenance**

- A. Manager Sutton reported on the following: The need for accurate water orders as we try to manage river diversions through a challenging month of May due to cold water pool issues, testing of the new automation system, water quality and water treatment schedules, and deer fencing maintenance and vegetation removal efforts using Cal Fire crews.

### **Meetings/Presentations**

- B. Manager Sutton reported on the following meetings: Meetings with other CVP contractors and USBR at ACWA, upcoming meetings in Washington DC with Interior, USBR, and elected officials, WEF tour for CSUC students, Sites tour for

CSUSF students and presentation to NCWA Water Leaders group.

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

**Director Training**

- A. Manager Sutton reported on the requirements for all directors to attend ethics and sexual harassment training once every two years. Information regarding on-line training and upcoming free classes to fulfill these requirements was disbursed and discussed.

**Discuss and Consider Valadao Legislation regarding Resolution of Westlands Water District Drainage Issues**

- B. Manager Sutton discussed the terms and details of the Westlands/USBR drainage settlement, and the proposed legislation by Congressman Valadao to authorize the settlement.

**M/S/C - RUIZ/ALVES - UNANIMOUS**

To support HR 4366, the San Joaquin Drainage Resolution Act, authored by Congressman Valadao, and to direct Manager Sutton to send a letter of support that highlights the importance of the resolution of the drainage issue having no financial or water supply impacts to other CVP contractors.

**Discuss and Consider SB 1396 (Wolk)- Inter Coastal Conservancy**

- C. Manager Sutton discussed Senator Wolk's proposed legislation to create the Inter Coastal Conservancy, and more specifically discussed concerns with the proposed boundaries that include much of the TCCA service area and the footprint of the Sites Reservoir.

**M/S/C - FLAHERTY/KELLEY - UNANIMOUS**

To oppose SB 1396, and to direct Manager Sutton to send a letter of opposition.

**Discuss and Consider Solar AquaGrid Grant Proposal for Pilot Solar Project**

- D. Manager Sutton discussed a study that is currently being conducted to determine the feasibility of putting solar array systems over canals. Manager Sutton explained that he was contacted about interest in the TC Canal being a potential candidate for a pilot project. The Board directed Manager Sutton to continue communicating with the proponents to obtain more details and information, and to bring back to the Board for further discussion.

**Drought Legislation (U.S. House and Senate bills)**

- E. Manager Sutton discussed and updated the Board on the status of Senator Feinstein's drought legislation efforts, and the drought legislation efforts by the House Republicans.

**Delta Issues Update (DSC, SWRCB, BDCP)**

- F. Manager Sutton reported on the recent announcement from the Governor and the upcoming efforts by the SWRCB related to revisions to the CA Statewide

Drought Declaration. Manager Sutton also reported on recent developments related to the CA Water Fix.

**Sites Project Authority**

- G. Manager Sutton reported on the recent Sites Manager's meeting, the upcoming Sites JPA Board meeting, the status of the development of the Project Agreements, the status of the efforts on the feasibility study, and the development of the regulations by the Cal. Water Comm.

**Red Bluff Fish Passage Improvement Project**

- H. Manager Sutton reported on the upcoming fish screen velocity testing, and the initiation of the effort to begin preliminary work on the Operations and Maintenance facility.

**ATTORNEY REPORT**

**CLOSED SESSION**

**Conference with Legal Counsel-Existing Litigation [California Government Code Section 54956.9(c)] One case:**

**California State Water Resources Control Board-California Water Fix Hearings**

- A. Vice-Chairman Charter reported at the conclusion of the closed session that no action was taken.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Vice-Chairman Charter adjourned the meeting at 10:50 a.m.

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Board Secretary  
Jeffrey P. Sutton

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Board Vice-Chairman  
Halbert Charter