

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
Of the  
**TEHAMA-COLUSA CANAL AUTHORITY**  
5513 Hwy 162  
WILLOWS, CA 95988  
November 01, 2017  
09:00 a.m.

**PRESENT:**

HALBERT CHARTER*	D	COLUSA COUNTY W.D.
SHELLY MURPHY*	A	COLUSA COUNTY W.D.
JAMIE TRAYNHAM*	A	DAVIS W.D./WESTSIDE W.D.
BLAIR VOELZ	D	DUNNIGAN 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.
CHARLES SCHONAUER*	D	ORLAND-ARTOIS W.D.
EMIL CAVAGNOLO*	A	ORLAND-ARTOIS W.D.
DAN JONES*	D	PROBERTA W.D.
DAN RUIZ*	A	WESTSIDE W.D.

**DISTRICTS ABSENT:**

CORNING W.D.  
CORTINA W.D.  
HOLTHOUSE W.D.  
KIRKWOOD W.D.  
LAGRANDE W.D.  
THOMES CREEK W.D.

**ALSO PRESENT:**

JEFF SUTTON*	TCCA
LISA DICHARRY	TCCA
ANDREA CLARK*	DOWNEY BRAND
RICH ROBERTSON	USBR, WILLOWS
STEVEN MARSH	MMMWC
DENNIS ALBIANI	CA ADOVCATES

“\*” indicates closed session attendance

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

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Charter called the meeting to order at 9:01a.m.

**DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM**

Roll was called and a quorum was declared present for the conduct of business, with 10 Districts represented.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**M/S/C –VOELZ/AMARO- UNANIMOUS**

To approve the November 1, 2017 Regular Meeting Agenda.

**MONTHLY RE-OCCURRING ITEMS**

**A. Board Meeting Minutes**

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

To approve the October 4, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes.

**B. Treasurer’s Report**

**M/S/C – ALVES/CAVAGNOLO -UNANIMOUS**

To approve the September 2017 Financial Reports as presented.

**C. USBR Report**

Rich Robertson discussed that all TC current Warren Acts will expire on February 28, 2018. Any water districts that need to submit any desired changes in amounts and/or wish to renew these contracts need to contact Rich as soon as possible.

Also, any districts that wish to enter into “215” contracts with USBR for the 2018 Water Year need to express interest to Rich on or before Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>.

**GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT**

**Operations & Maintenance**

- A. Manager Sutton reported on the following: (1) Water deliveries are significantly declining as the crop year comes to a close; (2) staff has just about completed all of the authorized FEMA/Cal OES projects related to the February Storm Disaster this past winter; (3) General Manager Sutton reminded the Board and the Water Districts of the upcoming Winter Maintenance Shutdown from Dec. 1 – Feb. 15; Manager Sutton reported on the very positive report received on the USBR 3 year Inspection and credited the TCCA staff for their great work operating and maintaining the TC and Corning Canal infrastructure; Directors Alves, Murphy, Ruiz, Cavagnolo, and Hendrix gave updates on the efforts to implement SGMA.

**Meetings/Presentations**

- B. Manager Sutton reported on the following: USBR meetings on the implementation of the WIIN Act; WEF Tour and luncheon; tour for the new Asst. Sect. of Interior for Water and Science; the upcoming ACWA conference; and the status of the CVP Cost Allocation Study.

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

**Report by Dennis Albiani, TCCA State Lobbyist**

- A. Dennis Albiani reported on state legislative and policy activities throughout this year and projections for 2018 related to the following: The CA budget, tax reform, water bonds, the CWC, water legislation related to conservation, water tax and regulatory issues related to federal actions.

**Review and Consider Draft 2018 TCCA Budget**

- B. Manager Sutton discussed the proposed 2018 Draft Budget in detail with the Board of Directors. He then presented the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the 2018 Draft TCCA Budget as proposed by the Committee.

**M/S/C– D. JONES/VOELZ -UNANIMOUS**

To approve the Draft 2018 TCCA Budget.

**Elk Creek Bank Stabilization Project**

- C. Manager Sutton reported on the status of permits and efforts to complete the Elk Creek Bank Stabilization Project.

**CVP Operations**

- D. Manager Sutton reported on the healthy end of year CVP Reservoir levels going into 2018. After some discussion by the Board, it was decided to not pursue work on environmental documents for water transfers at this time. Manager Sutton then discussed the status of the Re-initiation of Consultation for the Long-Term Operation of the CVP with NMFS and USFWS.

**2018 TCCA Ability to Pay Study**

- E. Manager Sutton reported on the status of participation in the Ability to Pay Study and indicated that USBR would soon be sending out agreements for execution and would require a deposit from all of the participants to get the process initiated. Manager Sutton encouraged folks to promptly get those documents returned so we can keep to the schedule of having the study complete for the 2019 Water Year.

**Delta Issues Update (DSC, SWRCB, CA Water Fix)**

- F. Manager Sutton reported on the following: On the recent decisions to participate in the CWF by south of Delta SWP and CVP contractors, the status of the

participation agreement, the implementation agreement and permits related to the CWF.

**Sites Project Authority**

- G. Manager Sutton discussed the Sites JPA efforts related to the development of a financial model for the Sites JPA. The Board again tabled the discussion of the request for Sites JPA membership submitted by the City of Sacramento and the Sacramento County Water Agency, since no new information had been provided since the October meeting.

**Red Bluff Fish Passage Improvement Project**

- H. Manager Sutton reported on his communications with USBR regarding the latent defect associated with the FPIP Motor #6. Manager Sutton also reported on the bids received for the construction of the FPIP O & M Building. Manager Sutton rejected both bids per direction from the Board and is exploring other alternatives.

**ATTORNEY REPORT**

**CLOSED SESSION**

**Conference with Legal Counsel-Existing Litigation [California Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)] Two cases:**

- A. **State Water Resources Control Board Bay-Delta Water Quality Control Plan Proceeding**  
1. No action was taken and there was nothing to report.

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

2. No action was taken and there was nothing to report.

**Conference with Legal Counsel-Anticipated Initiation of Litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1): Two Potential Cases**

- B. No action was taken and there was nothing to report.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman H. Charter adjourned the meeting at 11:43AM.

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Board Secretary  
Jeffrey P. Sutton

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Chairman  
Halbert Charter