

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Of the
TEHAMA-COLUSA CANAL AUTHORITY
5513 Hwy 162
WILLOWS, CA 95988
December 06, 2017
09:00 a.m.

PRESENT:

HALBERT CHARTER*	D	COLUSA COUNTY W.D.
JAMIE TRAYNHAM*	A	DAVIS W.D./WESTSIDE W.D.
DONITA HENDRIX*	A	DUNNIGAN 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.
DAN RUIZ*	A	WESTSIDE W.D.

DISTRICTS ABSENT:

CORNING W.D.
CORTINA W.D.
4M 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
MARY FAHEY	COLUSA COUNTY
LISA HUNTER	GLENN COUNTY
JAMES WATTS	DUNNIGAN W.D.

“*” indicates closed session attendance

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

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Charter called the meeting to order at 9:18 a.m.

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

Roll was called and a quorum was declared present for the conduct of business, with 9 Districts represented.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Manager Sutton asked the Board to join in him in celebrating the 30th Anniversary of the TCCA.

Donita Hendrix introduced to the Board of Directors Dunnigan Water Districts New Assistant Manager, James Watts.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

M/S/C –HENDRIX/J.J.JONES- UNANIMOUS

To approve the December 6, 2017 Regular Meeting Agenda.

MONTHLY RE-OCCURRING ITEMS

A. Board Meeting Minutes

M/S/C -D.JONES/J.J.JONES-UNANIMOUS

To approve the November 1, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes.

B. Treasurer’s Report

M/S/C – AMARO/HENDRIX -UNANIMOUS

To approve the October 2017 Financial Reports as presented.

C. USBR Report

Rich Robertson discussed that the environmental documents are being prepared for the new Warren Act contracts. He also asked for districts to promptly get him any additional requests related to “215” contracts with USBR for the 2018 Water Year as soon as possible.

GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT

Operations & Maintenance

- A. Manager Sutton reported on the following: (1) Winter Maintenance Shutdown from Dec. 1 – Feb. 15; (2) Gate coatings; (3) Lining repair project; (4) silt removal; and (5) completion and submittal for reimbursement on the FEMA projects. The Board expressed concern regarding the continuing lingering dry conditions and Manager Sutton committed to defer the Winter Maintenance

Shutdown until Friday Dec. 15th, at which time he will reassess to see if we need to continue water operations to avoid damage or harm to permanent crops.

Meetings/Presentations

- B. Manager Sutton reported on the following meetings at ACWA: COA, Other 78%, SWRCB negotiations, meetings with SLDM WA and FWA, DOI and USBR, ACWA Fin. Aff. Comm., CWF and Sites Reservoir.

GENERAL BUSINESS

SGMA Update

- A. Mary Fahey, Colusa County and Lisa Hunter, Glenn County reported on their respective efforts related to the implementation of SGMA.

Elk Creek Bank Stabilization Project

- B. Manager Sutton reported that all permits have been obtained and that work on the Elk Creek Bank Stabilization Project began on Nov. 27th and should be completed by mid-December.

CVP Operations

- C. Manager Sutton reported on the status of CVP reservoir levels and the efforts on the Re-initiation of Consultation for the BOs for the LTO of the CVP. The Board discussed preparation of water transfer documents and determined they wished to continue to defer any such efforts at this time in light of the healthy condition of the upstream CVP reservoirs.

2018 TCCA Ability to Pay Study

- D. Manager Sutton reported on ATP Participation and the need to get meetings scheduled to assure timely completion of this effort. Manager Sutton committed to coordinating with Steve Pavich, USBR, in regard to setting a schedule and getting out the ATP agreements and invoices.

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

- E. Manager Sutton updated the Board on current enrolled participation in the CWF, which currently includes no CVP contracts and discussions with DOI and USBR regarding the participation agreement, implementation agreement, AMP efforts and permitting concerns. To date, USBR has continued to commit to the TCCA two primary principles: Beneficiary Pays and No Redirected Negative Impacts.

Sites Project Authority

- F. Manager Sutton reported that we had received no further communications at this time related to City of Sacramento and Sacramento County joining the Sites JPA as a member, as such this item was tabled. Manager Sutton also reported on status of CWC submittal, upcoming Public Comment Meetings in Sacramento and Maxwell and currently approved amendments to the Budget related to Reservoir Committee efforts.

Red Bluff Fish Passage Improvement Project

- G. Manager Sutton reported that the velocity testing of the fish screen had been a success and that NMFS is currently in the process of sending a letter of certification.

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 11:14 AM.

Board Secretary
Jeffrey P. Sutton

Chairman
Halbert Charter