

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Taggart at 2:00 pm

1.1 Flag Salute

Director Pulley led the flag salute

1.2 Roll Call

Present were President Taggart, Vice President Reynolds, Directors Hatley, Pulley and Thompson. Also present were Recording Secretary Padilla, Attorney Carter, Engineer Heindell and Manager Boucher.

2. PERSONS DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Kate Hedges with the Konkow Maidu Cultural Preservation Association here to speak on Agenda Item 6.1.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

3.1 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on March 21, 2017

3.2 Financial Statements – March 2017

3.3 Water Warrants – Check Number 15787-15828 Total \$190,488.59

Water LAIF Deposit - \$59,960.40

Health Reimb Arrangement – Check Number 2653-2654 Total \$43.69

Secretary Revolving Account – Check Number 2635 Total \$10.63

Sewer Warrants – Check Number 6995-7001 Total \$114,528.94

Sewer LAIF Deposit - \$19,039.60

3.4 Summary of District Operation and Solar Power Generation – March 2017

It was moved by Director Thompson, and seconded by Director Reynolds to approve consent agenda item 3.1 - 3.4. Motion carried.

4. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

None

At this point, it was suggested by President Taggart to move Item 6.1 forward in the agenda to accommodate Kate Hedges with the Konkow Maidu Cultural Preservation Association

6.1 Konkow Maidu Cultural Preservation Association Update

Kate Hedges stood before the Board and mentioned that since her last report, they have not been able to get out onto the property due to the weather. She mentioned that they were tentatively scheduled for this weekend but will need to schedule it out for next weekend. She mentioned that Pete who was out at the property gaining access off of Jordan Hill Road onto Sopher Wheeler's property noted that

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the gate had been vandalized and that there is significant amounts of water in the roads. She stated that there should be roughly 8 to 9 CSUC archaeology students that will be out on Saturday, April 29th. The group will be led by Dr. Carly Whelan from CSUC and Amy Huberland from the Northeast Information Center. She mentioned that the goal for that day is to flag the eastern property line of Section 9 and to further identify the northeast ¼ of the southeast ¼ of Section 9. This will delineate the boundaries of the area to be re-surveyed first; followed by the additional identified bedrock outcroppings upstream. Attorney Carter mentioned to the Board that he had prepared a License Agreement and Release of Liability for use for the CSUC students that will be going onto the property.

Ms. Hedges mentioned that Professor Whelan is very interested in using TWSD property as an example of an un-surveyed area with a high probability of finding something worth documenting. The Board was asked on how they would feel about bringing the students onto TWSD property to look and see what they can find. She mentioned that this would be a surface survey only on what is going to be seen on the surface and there would be no digging or moving thing around. Manager Boucher mentioned to Ms. Hedges that it would be best if it was coordinated with all parties involved and to come up with a plan so that it can be explained in more detail to the Board.

5. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION BUSINESS

5.1 Introduction of New Employee

Office Manager Padilla introduced to the Board, Jackie Santillan. Jackie was hired on March 27th as a Customer Service Representative. Jackie has 4-1/2 years of experience working in the clerical field and is enthusiastic and is a very quick learner. The Board Members welcomed her to TWSD.

5.2 Grant Application – Yankee Hill Fire Safe Council

Manager Boucher reported that he has been working with Brenda Rightmyer of the Yankee Hill Fire Safe Council on the grants that have come up for the Concow Hazardous Fuel Removal. He stated that a Letter of Commitment has been written to her stating that the District is in support of the project. He mentioned that she is working on another grant application which will be coming up in the next few next month.

6. WATER BUSINESS

6.1 Konkow Maidu Cultural Preservation Association Update

This item was moved forward in the agenda and has already been discussed.

7. ATTORNEY REPORT

None

8. SEWER BUSINESS

8.1 SC-OR Report

Commissioner Hatley reported the following:

- **Revised Policy 2710:** Updated only to change the name of the new Operations Foreman along with his contact numbers.
- **Advisory Committee Request:** Chairman Dennis appointed both Directors Thompson and Hatley to meet with Manager Koch and negotiate his contract renewal. His proposal will be presented at the next Board meeting.
- **Attorney's Report:** Attorney Battle reported that the BP Settlement was approved by the court, and that SC-OR is classified as a Large Non-Residential Class Member. SC-OR received an invitation to negotiate through an independent administrator; SC-OR sent an e-mail accepting their invitation. SC-OR will try to get a buyout of what is left of the 4800 solar panels.
- **Proposed Budget:** Proposed budget was presented and everything looked fine.
- **Violation of Coliform:** SC-OR received a violation of coliform on March 9th due to a suspected higher than average BOD spike pass through the plant. With all the storms, high I&I, low flows during the evacuation, the plant is stressed. SC-OR did pass the Bioassay which is an important test. SC-OR is waiting to hear from the Regional Board as to what their enforcement may be.

9. MANAGER'S REPORT

Safety Awards for Employees: Manager Boucher reported that over the past years, the District has accumulated some brass scrap which staff took to the recyclers and received a check in the amount of \$10,802.50. He stated that in the past, the District would use the money to purchase jackets and safety items for the employees. He mentioned that the District employees have had an outstanding record with zero accidents when it comes to safety and would like to reward each full time employee with an ice chest. He mentioned that staff has priced different ice chest and for 11 full time employees, the price for a Yeti 65 Tundra would be around \$4,500.00. The price for 11 full time employees, Board Members and Attorney would be around \$6,900.00. Motion was made by Director Hatley; seconded by Director Pulley and unanimously carried to approve the purchase of the Yeti 65 Tundra utilizing the scrap money for a safety award for all full time employees in the amount not to exceed \$4,510.00.

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Sustainable Groundwater Management Act: Engineer Heindell reported that he received a letter from Butte County requesting a letter of support from the District for a collaborative grant application for funding under the SGMA planning portion of Proposition 1. He mentioned that this is to help fund creating a Groundwater Sustainability Plan which will be implemented over the East Butte Sub-basin. The letter of support will be need to be signed and sent to Butte County by the end of May.

10. HEARING OF INDIVIDUALS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None

11. BOARD COMMENTS

All Board Members commented that the District employees do a great job in staying safe and that they deserve the safety award.

At 2:40 pm, the meeting recessed to go into Closed Session and reconvened at 2:44pm.

12. CLOSED SESSION

12.1 President Taggart announced that during Closed Session, the Board discussed with General Manager Boucher his performance as the District's General Manager during the current fiscal year, possible adjustment of his salary under his Employment Agreement based on his performance, and the District's budget for its next fiscal year and particularly, the need to undertake capital improvement projects in the upcoming fiscal year. With the agreement of Boucher, the Board unanimously voted to defer any salary adjustment for Boucher pursuant to his employment agreement until it has approved next year's budget for the District and considered the impact of needed capital improvements to be undertaken next year on the budget. He noted that both the Board and Boucher recognized that given the urgent need for the improvement of the District's aging infrastructure, the impact of any capital improvement projects approved by the Board for the next fiscal year on the District's financial condition took precedence over any salary adjustment for the General Manager.

13. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 2:45 pm.

Secretary of the Board

President of the Board