Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting

Thermalito Water and Sewer District Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting June 23, 2021 – 2:00 pm

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

1.1 Flag Salute

Attorney Carter led the flag salute

1.2 Roll Call

Present were Vice President Wristen, Director Taggart and Director Latulippe. Also present were Attorney Carter, Office Manager Padilla, Manager Boucher and Engineer Heindell. Director Reynolds participated via conference call. President Hatley joined the meeting at 2:34pm.

2. PERSONS DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

None

3. CONSENT AGENDA

- 3.1 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on May 18, 2021
- **3.2** Financial Statement May 2021
- 3.3 Water Warrants Check Number 18759-18814 Total \$335,459.66

Water LAIF Deposit - \$56,182.64

Sewer Warrants - Check Number 7293-7295 Total \$37,776.61

Sewer LAIF Deposit - \$22,817.36

Sewer LAIF Withdrawal – 7/7/2021 Total \$169,000.00

Health Reimb Account - Check Number 2852-2858 Total \$3,604.08

3.4 Superintendent's Monthly Report of Maintenance and Operations and Solar Power Generation for May 2021

It was moved by Director Taggart, seconded by Director Wristen to approve Consent Agenda Items 3.1 - 3.4. Motion carried.

4. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

None

5. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION BUSINESS

5.1 Introduction of New Employee

Manager Boucher introduced to the Board, Terry Owen. Terry was hired on June 1st as Customer Service Rep I to fill in for Jackie while she is on maternity leave. Terry was introduced to each of the Board members who welcomed her to TWSD.

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5.2 <u>Adopt Resolution No. 03-21 - Resolution Adopting the Final Thermalito</u> Water and Sewer District Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022

The proposed 2021-2022 Water and Sewer Budget was reviewed by the Directors in the May Board meeting. Office Manager Padilla reviewed over the changes that were made after the May Board meeting. After discussion, it was moved by Director Taggart and seconded by Director Latulippe to approve Resolution Number 03-21 Resolution Adopting the Final Thermalito Water and Sewer District Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022. Roll call was taken.

5.3 Removal of Fees – Account 4.469.01

Manager Boucher mentioned that staff has been able to collect the past due amount from the California State Park - Thermalito Forebay in the amount of \$7,294.90. He mentioned that this amount is through May but does not include the late and delinquent fee charges for January and February. He is requesting that the Board give approval to reverse the late and delinquent fees for January, February and June in the amount of \$313.73. Motion made by Director Taggart; seconded by Director Wristen and unanimously carried to approve the reversal of the late and delinquent fees for the months of January, February and June totaling \$313.73. Roll call was taken.

6. WATER BUSINESS

6.1 <u>2021 Proposed Valley Water – TWSD Water Transfer</u>

Engineer Heindell reported that included in the Board packet is a copy of the finalized Purchase Agreement as well as the draft Conveyance Agreement with DWR and a comment letter from the Department of Fish and Wildlife regarding the transfer. He mentioned that the Department has concerns regarding the yellow-legged frog which is a special status species listed under CESA as well as the water temperature and ramp increase. He mentioned that as of yesterday, all documents have been submitted and the District is waiting to hear back from DWR. He mentioned that the transfer should start up as of September 1st.

7. ATTORNEY REPORT

None

8. SEWER BUSINESS

8.1 SC-OR Report

Commissioner Latulippe reviewed over the May 26, 2021 Regular Meeting of the Sewerage Commission – Oroville Region.

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8.2 Standing Committee-SC-OR Commissioners-Policy 4.150

President Hatley appointed the following SC-OR Committee for FY 2021/22:

COMMITTEE

DIRECTORS

SC-OR

Hatley and Wristen

SC-OR Voting Member

Hatley

Consensus of the Board is to appoint Directors Hatley and Wristen to the SC-OR Commission and to appoint Director Hatley as the Voting Member.

9. WYANDOTTE CREEK GSA

9.1 Wyandotte Creek GSA Report

None

10. MANAGER REPORT

- <u>Unpaid Charges to the Annual Assessment</u>: Staff is working on the certified letters that will be sent out to customers who have not made a payment from April 2021 back to March 2020. To date, there are 46 letters that have been sent out.
- State Water Resources Control Board: The District received two letters from the SWRCB in regards to water rights. The letters mention that the SWRCB records show that TWSD holds a post-1914 appropriative water right. As of the date of the letter, the water supply in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta watershed is insufficient to support lawful diversion under any post-1914 appropriative water right. Engineer Heindell has been in contact with the State Water Rights Division. He mentioned that the States records show that when TWSD and Table Mtn. Irrigation merged, and we received Table Mtn. Irrigation water rights, the date the District obtained the water rights was in 1920. It was explained that the water rights came from PG&E predating that date. The State mentioned that the District will need to confirm, and that the responsibility was on the District to go through the State records and examine the documents and bring them to the States attention. He mentioned that he will need to wait until the SWRCB reopens its offices.
- Engineer Heindell mentioned that this project has been placed on hold until the fall. It was discussed and decided that it would be best not to take out one of the two trunk lines of water that feeds across the powers canal when the demand is so high. Project will start up in the fall when the demand comes back down.
- <u>Meeting with Paradise Recreation</u>: The meeting with the Paradise Recreation group in regards to recreation at Lake Concow has been changed to July 13, 2021. Will bring back to the July Board meeting for discussion.

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11. HEARING OF INDIVIDUALS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS None

12. BOARD COMMENTS

Happy Birthday to Director Latulippe

At 2:43 pm, the meeting recessed to go into Closed Session and reconvened at 3:04 pm.

13. CLOSED SESSION

13.1 President Hatley reported that they discussed matters and gave staff direction.

14. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 3:05 pm.

Secretary of the Board)

President of the Board