

Minutes of the Board Meeting of the
TRUCKEE-CARSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT
 Regular Session Board Meeting Minutes
July 5, 2022

The Board of Directors of the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District, in the counties of Churchill and Lyon, State of Nevada, met in regular session at the Office of the District, 2666 Harrigan Road, Fallon, Nevada, on **Tuesday, July 5, 2022** at 9:00 a.m.

The following Directors were present constituting a quorum:

Present:	Eric Olsen Robert Oakden Lester deBraga Joseph Gomes Wade Workman Abraham Schank	President Secretary Treasurer Director Director Director
Absent:	David Stix Jr.	Vice President
Others Present:	Benjamin Shawcroft Helen-Marie Morrow Kelly Herwick Cody Biggs Mark Solinski	General Manager (Zoom at 10:00 am) Finance Manager District Water Master Construction/Maintenance Manager Hydroelectric Manager

Teleconference/Zoom Guests	Representing
Timothy Ross	Natural Resources Conservation Service
Mike Zahradka	Nevada Department of Wildlife
Bethany Chagnon	US Fish & Wildlife Service
Julie O'Shea	Farmer's Conservation Alliance
Leanna Hale	Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe
Steve King	TCID
Rachel Dahl	The Fallon Post
Aodhan Downey	Realtor Associations in Northern Nevada
Larry	Self
Pat	Self

In-Person Guests	Representing
Jack Worsley	Bureau of Reclamation
Laurie Nicholas	Bureau of Reclamation
Robert Martinez	Bureau of Reclamation
Jason Villarreal	Bureau of Reclamation
Jacob Ward	Nevada Department of Wildlife

The following agenda items are not necessarily in the order they were heard or decided but in the order as appearing on the agenda.

1. **Call to Order**

President Olsen called the meeting to order in accordance with NRS 241 at 9:16 a.m.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Robert Martinez.

3. **Approval of the Agenda**

A motion was made by Secretary Oakden to adopt the agenda as presented, seconded by Director Gomes, request for comment and the motion was unanimously approved.

4. **General Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

5. **Miscellaneous Correspondence**

No report was given.

6. **General Manager and Staff Reports**

• **Ben Shawcroft, General Manager**

Not present to report.

• **Cody Biggs, Construction & Maintenance Manager**

Cody Biggs, Construction & Maintenance Manager, reported that crews are working on drains, drain boxes, rebuilding concrete forms in preparation for concrete work, and responding to trouble calls with drot.

• **Kelly Herwick, District Water Master**

Kelly Herwick, District Water Master, provided the attached report (Exhibit A) detailing current conditions, forecasts and District operations. Discussion followed.

• **Mike Adams, Systems & Technologies Manager**

Not present to report.

• **Mark Solinski, Hydroelectric Manager**

Mark Solinski, Hydroelectric Manager, reported on current power production at all three (3) Power Plants, New Lahontan gate repair, repair of sump pump, increased moss at 26' Drop Power Plant and pursuit of a grant for the 26' Drop Power Plant.

7. **City of Fernley – General Updates**

Not present to report.

8. **United States Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS) – General Updates**

Bethany Chagnon, Deputy Project Leader, Stillwater National Wildlife Refuge (SNWR), reported that USFWS staff is working on dikes and fall and winter project completion. In addition, Chagnon stated that the SNWR is flexible regarding water deliveries considering increased demand at this time.

9. **Bureau of Reclamation – Lahontan Basin Area Office (LBAO) Representative(s) – General Updates**
Jack Worsley, Area Manager, briefed the Board regarding the Truckee Canal Extraordinary Maintenance (XM) Project bidding process; an extension until July 14 has been granted as contractors are waiting for subcontractor's finite cost estimates.
10. **Fallon-Paiute Shoshone Tribe (FPST) – General Updates**
Leanna Hale, Land & Water Manager, reported that the tribe has been cutting first crop and acknowledged Herwick's comments regarding increased water demand.
11. **Naval Air Station Fallon (NASF) – General Updates**
Not present to report.
12. **Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) – General Updates**
Timothy Ross, Soil Conservationist, reported that the Fallon NRCS Office has thirty-seven (37) concrete ditches approved and three (3) new engineering designs complete. Installation is expected in the next two (2) years.
13. **Nevada Department of Wildlife (NDOW) – General Updates**
Jacob Ward, Wildlife Technician, reported that fencing materials for the Carson Lake Pasture have arrived, water deliveries are scheduled for the end of July and weed and road maintenance is ongoing.
14. **Farmer's Conservation Alliance (FCA) – General Updates**
Julie O'Shea, Executive Director, reported that FCA is working on the System Improvement Plan (SIP) for the Carson Division.
15. **Resolution 2022-07 Approval of a WaterSMART Grant to Improve 26' Drop Power Station (Opportunity No. R23AS00008)**
Deliberation was had relating to approval/denial of an application by the District for a small scale water efficiency project grant (Opportunity No. R23AS00008) through the United States Bureau of Reclamation. This grant, if approved by Reclamation, will provide federal funding at a total cost of approximately Two Hundred Fifty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$255,000), a portion of which will be borne by the District pursuant to the terms of a 50/50 grant match, to be used by the District to provide for general facility improvement, including replacement of the facility's runners, thereby enhancing the operating efficiency of the 26' Drop Power Station in the Carson Division of the Newlands Federal Reclamation Project, resulting in greater electrical energy output. This grant includes a 50/50 match by the District consisting of administrative and labor costs, equipment use, and/or any other costs approved by existing law in relation to the said grant funding opportunity.

A motion was made by Director Schank to approve Resolution 2022-07 as presented, seconded by Treasurer deBraga, request for comment and the motion was unanimously approved.

16. **Canvass of Votes Relating to Special Election Conducted June 30, 2022 for Approval of a Proposed Contract with the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation for the Repayment of Extraordinary Maintenance Costs for the Truckee Canal, Approval of an Outage of the Truckee Canal for One Year and Adoption of Resolution No. 2022-08 Relating to the Canvass of the Vote**

Deliberation was had relating to action regarding the canvass of the votes cast at the special election conducted by the District on June 30, 2022 including a declaration of election results and approval of Resolution No. 2022-08 relating thereto entitled: A Resolution canvassing the results of a special election held of the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District on Thursday, June 30, 2022, approving the outage of the Truckee Canal from October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023 during which Extraordinary Maintenance will be performed on the Truckee Canal and further authorizing the Board of Directors to enter into a Contract with the United States to repay the cost of such maintenance in an amount not to exceed Thirty-Five Million Dollars (\$35,000,000). This Resolution also provides for related matters.

A motion was made by Secretary Oakden to approve Resolution 2022-08 as presented, seconded by Director Gomes, request for comment and the motion was unanimously approved.

17. **Approval of Budget 2022-2023**

Deliberation was had by the Board of Directors regarding approval of the budget for fiscal year 2022-2023.

A motion was made by Treasurer deBraga to approve the budget for fiscal year 2022-2023 as presented, seconded by Director Workman, request for comment and the motion was unanimously approved.

18. **Insurance Renewal**

Deliberation was had relating to, without limitation, proposal for renewal of general liability, errors and omissions, commercial auto insurance, commercial excess liability, other mechanical and property coverage, and commercial inland marine coverage for the District for coverage that will renew on or about July 1, 2022.

A motion was made by Treasurer deBraga to approve insurance renewal as presented, seconded by Director Workman, request for comment and the motion was unanimously approved.

19. **Consent Agenda Items**

Matters borne by the consent agenda are considered routine and/or informational in nature. Any deliberation and/or decisions made relating to the consent agenda may be given by the Board in a single action without comment, discussion, or public input as a single Board action. Any item on the consent agenda may be removed there-from, upon the request of a Director or member of the public, and thus be made the object of full and complete deliberation and decision making. Action relating to the consent agenda

may be undertaken at any time during the course of the meeting. Items on the consent agenda for this meeting are as follows:

- Approval of Director's compensation as provided for by NRS 539.080.

A motion was made by Secretary Oakden to approve the Consent Agenda items including the Director's Compensation for the month of June, 2022, seconded by Director Gomes, request for comment and the motion was unanimously approved.

20. Committee Reports

- **Operations & Maintenance (O&M) Committee**

There was no meeting held for the month of June 2022.

- **Carson Lake Pasture (CLP) Committee**

There was no meeting held for the month of June 2022.

- **Employee Relations Committee**

There was no meeting held for the month of June 2022.

- **Finance Committee**

Finance Committee Recommendations:

Treasurer deBraga (Finance Committee Chairman) reported that the Finance Committee met on June 30, 2022.

A motion was made by Treasurer deBraga to approve the Treasurer's report and Finance Committee recommendation to approve check numbers 42541 through 42608, online, phone and automatic payments, and transfer of \$658,916.80 to pay bills, seconded by Director Workman, request for comment and the motion was unanimously approved.

- **Negotiations Committee**

There was no meeting held for the month of June 2022.

- **Policy Committee**

There was no meeting held for the month of June 2022.

- **Public Relations Committee**

There was no meeting held for the month of June 2022.

- **Revenue/IT Committee**

A meeting was held June 21, 2022.

- **Truckee Canal Safety Commission**


There was no meeting held for the month of June 2022.

21. Additional Public Comment

No public comment.

22. Adjournment

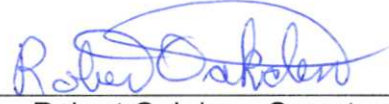
The meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the Board President at 10:33 a.m.



Eric Olsen - President

8-2-22

Date



Robert Oakden - Secretary

8-2-22

Date





Truckee-Carson Irrigation District

Newlands Project

7/05/2022

BOARD MEETING

CURRENT CONDITIONS:

- **Truckee Div.**
 - Truckee River @ Vista gauge: 387cfs
 - Truckee Canal: 164cfs
 - < 1cfs in Gilpen Spill
 - 145cfs at TC canal at Wadsworth
 - Water Master "Derby flow Target": 136.5cfs
 - Below Derby Gauge: 191cfs
 - 109cfs at TC canal at Hazen
- **Carson Div.**
 - Carson River @ Ft. Churchill gauge: 10.7cfs
 - Lahontan Storage: 153,706 a.f. / prev. 06/07/2022 @ 126,000 a.f.
 - Release below Lahontan: 926cfs
 - Total Inflows: 10cfs/ approx. 235 a.f. at 24hrs

DISTRICT STATUS:

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| • Current Lake Storage: | 126,144a.f. |
| • Total Anticipated Runoff: | 17,424a.f. |
| • Est. releases below Lahontan: | 123,187a.f. |
| • Total accumulated A.F.: | 266,755a.f. |
| • Minus Minimum Pool: | -4,000a.f. |
| • Lake Evaporation est.: | -3000a.f. |
| • Total Max. Allowable Demand: | 298,900a.f. |
| • 2022 anticipated Allocation: | 86.9% |

USFW orders: S-t75 20cfs/ actual 1cfs: Bypass 70cfs/ actual 30cfs

Canvasback orders: S-t78 10cfs/ actual 5cfs

NDOW orders: N/a

***With the increase in the Carson River flows below Diversion dam comes with an increase in losses. Water has been short to S-line Reservoir; this also affects L-line increases for Harmon Reservoir as well. Currently evaluating scheduling to improve reservoir operations while short water. There may be some delays in the schedule for orders being place today. ***

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