

CARSON TRUCKEE WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

Board Meeting
July 11, 2017

DIRECTORS:

Ernie Schank
John Capurro
Ed James
Pete Olsen
Mike Nevin
Todd Westergard
Karen Baggett
John Enloe

ABSENT:

Greg Dennis

GUESTS:

Lori Williams, Engineer
Ron Penrose, Superintendent
Leo Bergin, Attorney
Danielle Henderson, TRFMA
Matt Setty, NVEMV (engineer)
Staff

1. CALL REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER -

President Westergard called the Regular meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT – None

3. APPROVE AGENDA –

Director Schank made a motion to approve the Agenda as presented; seconded by Director Olsen; motion carried.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND CHECKS WRITTEN –

Director Capurro made a motion to approve the May 2017 Minutes and financial statements as submitted and checks written on Bank of America #9430 - #9436 and Nevada State Bank #2754 - #2772, motion seconded by Director Nevin; motion carried.

5. FEDERAL WATERMASTER'S REPORT –

A complete copy of the Water Report is available at District Offices or on the internet at troa.net.

No representative from the Water Master's office was present.

6. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE BOARD DIRECTION REGARDING ENCROACHMENT PERMIT REQUESTS AND PROJECTS – Lori Williams

See Engineer's Report

No new requests have been received.

7. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE BOARD ACTION REGARDING POSSIBLE 408 PERMIT REVIEW DELAYS AT THE USACE FLOOD BRANCH DUE TO BUDGET MATTERS– Lori Williams

See Engineer's Report

Ms. Williams has a call scheduled with USACE and USFWS after which she will have a better idea of how things are going to proceed. Director James asked if there is a time limit by which USACE must report. Ms. Williams does not believe so. Director Westergard would like to attend the meeting with USACE as well and possible try to invite someone from Congressman Mark Amodei's office as well. There was discussion as to how the prioritization would be once the delays are over. Ms. Williams advised that USACE stated they will be on the dates submitted and projects will not be artificially moved ahead.

- ❖ Director James made a motion that the District send a letter to USACE stating our concerns and issues prior to the scheduled meeting. Letter will be cc'd to all Representatives and agencies that could be impacted; seconded by Director Schank; motion carried.

8. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE BOARD DIRECTION REGARDING EMERGENCY DEBRIS/DEPOSIT REMOVAL WORK, FEMA PROCESS FOR COST RECOVERY AND NEXT STEPS FOR REMAINING WORK TO BE COMPLETED, INCLUDING A DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION REGARDING THE BID PROCESS/TIMING AND AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A CONTRACT FOR THE REMAINING WORK – Lori Williams

See Engineer's Report

The Draft Agreement and Bid Schedule copies were provided to the Board (copies of which are available at District Offices). Director Schank asked if we have to accept the lowest bid if it meets all the specifications. No, per the NRS the bid acceptance has to meet the means and methods set forth by the permits.

- ❖ Director Schank made a motion to authorize President Westergard to sign a bid that meets the criteria set forth in the documents; seconded by Director Capurro; motion carried.

9. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE BOARD DIRECTION REGARDING NRS 532.220 GRANT APPLICATION – Lori Williams

See Engineer's Report

There was discussion that if the District applied for the funds they would be competing against other agencies that do not have the funding sources the District has.

- ❖ Director Baggett made a motion that the District NOT apply for the funding this time around and send a letter to Division of Water Resources stating that the District recognizes the need for other agencies at this time but would like to be notified of any future funding opportunities; seconded by Director Schank; motion carried.

10. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE BOARD DIRECTION REGARDING FUNDING & AUTHORIZATION FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF TRUCKEE RIVER FLOW MODELING WHERE MODELING IS CURRENTLY UNAVAILABLE OR UNSATISFACTORY – Lori Williams

See Engineer's Report

The Board felt there was a need for additional modeling but at this time felt the funds should go to the clearing of the River channel.

- ❖ Director Baggett made a motion that the agenda item be continued and that Ms. Williams see of other agencies that are impacted by additional modeling would be willing to assist in the funding of the project, and to ascertain if other agencies have modeling that could help the District; seconded by Director James; motion carried.

11. UPDATE ON THE 2017 REGULAR SESSION OF THE NEVADA LEGISLATURE WHICH COULD POTENTIALLY IMPACT CONSERVANCY DISTRICTS – Director Baggett

The Board was very appreciative of the efforts of Director Baggett, it was a busy Legislative year.

12. ENGINEER/CONSULTANT REPORT – Lori Williams

A complete copy of the Engineer's Report is available at the District Offices or on the CTWCD website.

13. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT – Ron Penrose

Nothing to report.

14. LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT – Leo Bergin

Nothing to report.

15. SECRETARY/TREASURER REPORT – Mary Pat Eymann

Nothing to report.

16. PUBLIC COMMENT - NONE

17. BOARD COMMENTS and/or REQUEST FOR AGENDA ITEMS –

Board Comments:

- Director Schank - Lahontan will hit its highest point probably on Thursday and be 1” from the top. Approximately 550,000 af of water have been let thru the dam, with 35,000 left to come in July. Total in the end will probably be around 900,000 af.
- Director James – Not bad flooding in Carson but definitely made people more aware.

Future Agenda item requests:

18. ADJOURNMENT -

There being no further business, President Westergard asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Director Schank moved to adjourn, Director Nevin, seconded said motion, motion carried.

****The next meeting Tuesday August 8, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.****

Todd Westergard,
President

Mary Pat Eymann,
Secretary/Treasurer