

# CARSON TRUCKEE WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

Board Meeting  
September 10, 2019

## **DIRECTORS:**

Todd Westergard  
John Capurro  
Karen Baggett  
Mike Nevin  
Ed James  
Tyler Henderson  
Ernie Schank  
Ty Minor

## **ABSENT:**

Pete Olsen  
John Enloe

## **GUESTS:**

Leo Bergin, Attorney  
Lori Williams, Engineer  
Ron Penrose, Superintendent  
Chad Blanchard, FWM  
Staff

### **1. CALL REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER -**

President Westergard called the Regular meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

### **2. PUBLIC COMMENT – None**

### **3. APPROVE AGENDA –**

Director Schank made a motion to approve the posted agenda; seconded by Director Baggett; motion carried.

### **4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND CHECKS WRITTEN –**

Director Nevin made a motion to approve the July 2019 Minutes and financial statements as submitted and checks written on Bank of America #9575- #9581 and Nevada State Bank #2930 - #2941, motion seconded by Director Capurro; motion carried. Directors Schank and James noted that they were not at the July meeting but did review the financial statements.

### **5. FEDERAL WATERMASTER'S REPORT – Chad Blanchard**

*A complete copy of the Water Report is available at  
District Offices or on the internet at [troa.net](http://troa.net).*

Things are winding down and Tahoe dropped 1100ths in the last 3 days. Rates will drop 100 cfs October 1<sup>st</sup>. After the Boca Safety of Dams construction project is completed there is a 1<sup>st</sup> fill requirement. The first fill is a slow fill and therefore Boca is being held as high as possible to assist in the first fill requirement as soon as possible.

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

*See Engineer's Report*

NDOT Spaghetti Bowl Express Permit was just signed by Chairman Westergard. This project is going to be re-bid due to extremely high bids over project budget. This will delay the project. The limitations will be noted to any new contractor. Changes by USACE have been reviewed by Attorney Bergin and are determined to be standard.

**7. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE BOARD DIRECTION REGARDING MAINTENANCE DEBRIS REMOVAL WORK, EMERGENCY DEBRIS/DEPOSIT REMOVAL WORK – Lori Williams**

*See Engineer's Report*

Approximately 25 pieces of debris were identified as needing attention. The estimated total cost would be around \$50,000. Ms. Williams inquired how the Board would like to handle this. Current construction activity makes going out to bid extremely hard. There was discussion to using a few different companies and breaking up the project.

- ❖ Director Schank made a motion to authorize Ms. Williams to spend up to a total of \$50,000 for debris removal and to break the project into 2 or 3 projects with each project being under the amount of \$25,000; seconded by Director Capurro; motion carried.

**8. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE UPDATING AND/OR DEVELOPMENT OF A FLOW MODELING UPSTREAM OF BOOTH STREET BRIDGE AS WELL AS FUNDING AND TIMING FO THIS PROJECT– Lori Williams, Ron Penrose**

*See Engineer's and Superintendent's Reports*

There was discussion as to the fact that this was not in the budget for FY19-20. There are funds available in the "Projects to be Determined" fund in the amount of \$18,000. The total estimated cost of the model would be \$70,000. The District does have the funds available in its reserve funds.

Discussion as to if the District could recoup some of this money from developers who benefit from the model. It is part of the responsibility of this District to maintain the 14,000 cfs flood channel. The District has to be careful in this case of applying different standards.

- ❖ Director Schank made a motion to approve Ms. Williams to proceed with the modeling project in the amount of up to \$69,000 and directed staff to determine what needs to be done as far as a possible augmentation to the budget and to report back to the Board at the next meeting; motion seconded by Director Capurro; motion carried.

**9. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE BOARD DIRECTION REGARDING DISTRICT PARTICIPATION ON THE ONE TRUCKEE RIVER PARTNERSHIP COUNCIL. – Lori Williams**

*See Engineer's Report*

This group contacted Ms. Williams expressing an interest in this District being on their Partnership Council. Ms. Williams feels that a lot of the work they do is water quality related or homeless related issues along the River. The interesting part is the other members of the group Ms. Williams felt. There are 4 meetings per year which are quarterly, 2-4 hours per meeting. Director Westergard has questions as to if they take stands on things or legislate. Would the District be a voting member? Do they want the District to participate financially? Ms. Williams was clear about the District's purpose.

Director James wondered if the Board has discussed a policy regarding its funding of projects. Director Schank advised that the District uses the Martis Creek Agreement and the NRS which we are formed by and to keep in mind which Counties are the major contributors to the District. The District has in the past gone on a case by case basis. Does the District want to establish a policy as to funding of projects? If so, this would be something that would be done as a separate issue at a later date.

Attorney Bergin stated that educating groups on what the District does fit into what we can do.

Participation but no financial participation at this idea seems like a good idea. Find out what their focus is. Director Capurro asked if there is a way, we could view the minutes of the group to see what they have done.

- ❖ Director James made a motion that staff investigate organization and maybe attend a meeting and bring back information to the Board to assist in determining how the Board would like to proceed; seconded by Director Nevin; motion carried.

**10. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION OF TROA REIMBURSEMENT FOR OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE UNDER SECTION 7.a.2(B)(3). – Todd Westergard**

This item was added to the agenda as there will be something coming from the Water Masters Office as far as reimbursement expenses under TROA. Chad Blanchard had left the meeting early and was therefore no present to answer questions.

Director Westergard advised that it was his recollection that the Board did authorize participation in paying something towards this. Director Schank advised that he did not recall the Board authorizing participating financially but did authorize the District to be a signatory. But we were not a signatory as to one of the parties being required to share in the cost. Director Capurro advised that the WCWCD is also reviewing their requirements as to financial responsibilities. Director James wondered if this is a requirement of this Board.

The Board directed staff to review old minutes to see if there was discussion or action as to if this Board would participate in this.

**11. ENGINEER/CONSULTANT REPORT – Lori Williams**

*See Engineer's Report*

**12. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT – Ron Penrose**

*See Superintendent's Report*

**13. LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT – Leo Bergin**

Nothing to report

**14. SECRETARY/TREASURER REPORT – Mary Pat Eymann**

Nothing to report

**15. PUBLIC COMMENT - None**

**16. BOARD COMMENTS AND REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- Future Agenda Item Requests:**
- 1. Follow-up on agenda item #8 as it pertains to the budget**
  - 2. Follow-up on agenda item #10 and review of the minutes to see if and when the District agreed to assist in funding.**

**Board Comments: none**

**17. 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 will be Tuesday, October 8, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.\*\***

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Todd Westergard,  
President

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Mary Pat Eymann,  
Secretary/Treasurer