## KANAWHA WATER DISTRICT MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

June 12, 2025
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PRESENT: DIRECTORS: L. BOYD, W. DANLEY, R. LEDERER, R. HANSEN, P. CECCON JR;

ABSENT: NONE;

ALSO, PRESENT: VINCE LAUFER, MANAGER; DEBBIE SCRITCHFIELD, ASSISTANT SECRETARY; REBECCA SMITH, DOWNEY BRAND; MARY CUMMINS CPA, (VIA TELCONFERENCE)

President Boyd called the regular meeting to order at 8:05 a.m.

A. M/S/C: P. CECCON JR, R. LEDERER:

AYES: L. BOYD, W. DANLEY, R. LEDERER, R. HANSEN, P. CECCON, JR:

ABSENT: NONE:

The minutes of the regular meeting of May 8, 2025 are approved as mailed.

B. M/S/C: R. HANSEN, R. LEDERER:

AYES: L. BOYD, W. DANLEY, R. LEDERER, R. HANSEN, P. CECCON JR:

ABSENT: NONE:

Upon motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously approved, the following bills were paid from the General Fund Account. (Attached and a part of these minutes)

Mrs. Smith arrived at 8:09 a.m.

C. Mr. Laufer presented the District Treasurer's Report- Money Market Accounts -Tri Counties Bank- (Land-Based) balance is \$326,966.23 @ 4.13% and Tri Counties Bank account- balance is \$920,269.55 @ 4.13%. LAIF balance is \$638,201.74 as of 6/4 @ 4.27%. Total in Reserves \$1,885,437.52. The balance in the Kanawha checking account is \$99,458.64 and Kanawha-KGPFA checking account \$3,973.35. The interest rate on the Money Market Accounts will be 4.1% with an annual percentage yield of 4.019% starting 05/13 to 06-12-25, then will be reviewed every thirty days.

The Board reviewed the year-to-date budget comparison.

- 1. There were no members of the public who wished to address the Board.
- 2. Legal items and reports: No Closed Session on 1 and 2.
  - a) Conference with Legal Counsel- Existing Litigation (Government Code § 54956.9)- two cases.
    - 1. Center for Biological Diversity, et Al. v. U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, et al. (E.D. Cal. Case No. 1:20-cv-00706)
  - 2. North Coast Rivers Alliance, et al. v. U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, et al. (E.D. Cal. Case No. 2:16-cv-00307-DAD-SKO).

- 3. Manager's Report: (Agenda Item #4)
  - 1. The water use May was 4,798 acre-feet, to date (Jan-May) 4 acre-feet of 3F Tier 2 M&I, 26 acre-feet of 3F Tier 3, 1,728 acre-feet of 3F Tier 2 and 4,807 acre-feet project Water and 4 acre-feet M&I for a total of 6,569 acre-feet. Also, presented the Historical Water Use by Month.
  - 2. See attached list of delinquencies.
  - 3. Mr. Laufer reported that field staff have been conducting standard daily water operations and maintenance, and operational procedures. Cathodic rod installation on Plant 5 is completed and prepping for painting on plant 1. Still having staff and growers be aware of snakes this time of year. Web site is up and running Mr. Laufer has been adding Agenda's and Minutes and we are working toward stronger state compliance requirements.

Mr. Laufer asked to increase Seasonal help from \$18 to \$20.

M/S/C: R. HANSEN, W. DANLEY:

AYES: L. BOYD, W. DANLEY, R. LEDERER, R. HANSEN, P. CECCON JR:

**ABSENT: NONE** 

The Board agreed to the increase for Seasonal help from \$18 to \$20.

Ms. Cummins, CPA joined the conference call at 8:36 a.m.

4. Ms. Cummins, CPA presented the 2024 Audit Report to the Board of Directors. (Agenda item #3)

Ms. Cummins, CPA ended the conference call at 8:47 a.m.

The Board accepted the 2024 Audit Report as presented by Mary Cummins, CPA.

5. Mr. Laufer reported on the Board Meeting for June 4th at the Tehama-Colusa Canal Authority

Red Bluff / Willows -

Standard water season operations and maintenance

Treating Canal -

List of Chemicals and Dates and locations of treatments (June 17<sup>th</sup> Teton at check 1)

## USBR Update -

With Bureau of Reclamation staff shortage (down by 329 employees) and hiring freeze, tasks are taking longer to get accomplished, representative urged everyone to have patience when dealing with issues, still developing a backfilling strategy moving forward

Mr. Vanderwaal, Darin Titus, Zack Dennis – Going to Washington DC for CVP

6. Mr. Laufer presented the reservoir levels for June 9<sup>th</sup> – Trinity Lake was at 2,271,000 acre-feet compared to last year at 2,116,000 acre-feet. Shasta Lake was at 4,087,000 acre-feet compared to last year at 4,243,000 acre-feet with the 15-year average at 116%. Oroville was at 3,405,000 acre-feet compared to last year at 3,524,000 acre-feet with the 15-year average at 127%. The total North CVP was at 9,721,000 acre-feet compared to last year at 10,148,000 acre-feet. Rain total October to date 65.12 inches.

- 7. Mr. Laufer and Board members discussed the potential annexation on properties, and re-classifications of certain lands, and the possible revision of the district's annexation policy, which will bring back in July.
- Mr. P. Ceccon Jr left at 9:55 a.m.

Mr. R. Lederer left at 9:56 a.m.

- 3. Mr. Hansen reported on meeting for the Glenn Groundwater Authority. Also, groundwater readings were presented.
- 9. Other reports none
- 10. Meeting Adjourned at 10:24 a.m.

DEBBIE SCRITCHFIELD ASSISTANT SECRETARY

APPROVED ON: July 10, 2025

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