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

August 14, 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; BILL VANDERWAAL, TCCA;

President Boyd called the regular meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

1. Mr. Vanderwaal reported on the August Board Meeting at the Tehama-Colusa Canal Authority (Agenda item#4)

Washington DC – Mr. Vanderwaal, Mr. Dennis, Mr. Charter, and Mr. Titus Requesting funding from the 15.3 million dollars

- 1. Two pumps for Red Bluff Diversion Dam (have space for 11 but only have 9 pumps)
- 2. Corning Canal pumps and transformer
- 3. Trash Racks on the Tehama Colusa Canal (9-10 racks)
  - a. Working on Legislation regarding transferring water from Orland Unit on normal water years, at this time it is only available in short water years.
  - b. WIIN Act Protect Central Valley Project allocation
  - c. Other reports
    - Also reported a weekly conference call with the districts on water use projections for the week and any others concerns
  - Discussed MOU in regards to possible increase to Black Butte Gates for capacity up to 200,000 feet
  - Preparing for winter maintenance will require some concrete liner repair in order to prepare for a max capacity test next spring
  - Mr. Vanderwaal reported on the current status of Healthy Rivers and Landscapes, and potential impacts
  - Mr. Vanderwaal also asked if District would like its website to be handled by the TC's tech provider under an umbrella plan including all large TC districts
- A. M/S/C: P. CECCON JR, R. HANSEN:

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

ABSENT: NONE:

The minutes of the regular meeting of July 10, 2025 are approved as mailed.

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

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)

C. Mr. Laufer presented the District Treasurer's Report- Money Market Accounts -Tri Counties Bank- (Land-Based) balance is \$298,341.71 @ 3.99% and Tri Counties Bank account- balance is \$926,342.05 @ 3.99%. LAIF balance is \$645,193.90 as of 8/6 @ 4.26%. Total in Reserves \$1,869,877.66. The balance in the Kanawha checking account is \$254,529.00 and Kanawha-KGPFA checking account \$3,973.35.

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

- 2. There were no members of the public who wished to address the Board. (Agenda item#1)
- 3. Legal items and reports: No Closed Session (Agenda item#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).
- Mr. Vanderwaal left at 8:35 a.m.

Went into closed session at 8:47 a.m.

b) Discussion regarding Public Employee (Govt Code § 54957.6)

Came out of closed session at 9:01 a.m.

- 4. Manager's Report: (Agenda item#3)
  - 1. The water use July was 6,690 acre-feet, to date (Jan-July) 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 17,322 acre-feet project Water and 8 acre-feet M&I for a total of 19,088 acre-feet. Also, presented the Historical Water Use by Month.
  - 2. See attached list of delinquencies.
  - 3. Mr. Laufer reported Harvest has begun, resulting in fluctuating demands. Field staff has been conducting standard daily water operations and maintenance, and procedures, normally scheduled safety meetings and preparing for winter projects, and capital improvements. JPIA will be here to inspect Plant 3 and some turnouts.
- 5. Mr. Laufer presented the reservoir levels for August 11<sup>th</sup> Trinity Lake was at 2,037,000 acre-feet compared to last year at 1,895,000 acre-feet. Shasta Lake was at 3,050,000 acre-feet compared to last year at 3,277,000 acre-feet with the 15-year average at 108%. Oroville was at 2,575,000 acre-feet compared to last year at 2,590,000 acre-feet with the 15-year average at 123%. The total North CVP was at 7,556,000 acre-feet compared to last year at 8,106,000 acre-feet. Rain total October to date 66.76 inches.

6. Mr. Laufer opened the Public Hearing at 9:10 a.m. for Directors Establishing Per-Acre Valuation for the District Lands, hearing no objections, the hearing was closed at 9:11 a.m.

Also presented was the Resolution 2025-4 Establishing Per-Acre Valuation for District Lands.

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

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

ABSENT: NONE:

The Board approved Resolution 2025-4 Establishing Per-Acre Valuation for District Lands.

7. Mr. Laufer presented the Resolution 2025-5 Approving Annual Estimate Amount Necessary to Meet District Obligations, Approving Assessment Book, Proposing a Benefit Assessment and Setting a Hearing as a Board of Equalization and Estimated Budget.

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

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

ABSENT: NONE:

The Board of Directors approved the Resolution 2025-5 Approving Annual Estimate Amount Necessary to Meet District Obligations, Approving Assessment Book, Proposing a Benefit Assessment and Setting a Hearing as a Board of Equalization and Estimated Budget.

Notice of Hearing as a Board of Equalization to be published in local newspaper August  $22^{nd}$  and  $29^{th}$ . For the September  $12^{th}$  Meeting.

8. Mr. Laufer presented a draft Annexation Policy Revision to the Board members in regards to potential annexation on properties, and re-classifications of certain lands, and the possible revision of the district's annexation policy.

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

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

**ABSENT: NONE** 

The Board approved the Draft Annexation Policy as presented and discussed.

- 9. Tabled
- 10. Mr. Hansen reported on meeting for the Glenn Groundwater Authority. Also, groundwater readings were presented.
- 11. Other reports none
- 12. Meeting Adjourned at 9:37 a.m.

DEBBIE SCRITCHFIELD ASSISTANT SECRETARY

APPROVED ON: September 11, 2025

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