## **NEVADA IRRIGATION DISTRICT**

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

### **MINUTES**

July 28, 2021

The Board of Directors of the Nevada Irrigation District convened in regular session at the District's main office located at 1036 W. Main Street, Grass Valley, on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of 2021, at 9:00 a.m.

Present were Chris Bierwagen, President (Division II); Laura L. Peters, Vice-President (Division IV); and Directors Ricki Heck (Division I); Karen Hull (Division III); and Rich Johansen (Division V).

Staff members present included Jennifer Hanson, General Manager; Marvin Davis, Finance Manager/Treasurer; Doug Roderick, Interim Engineering Manager; Tonia Tabucchi Herrera, Senior Engineer; Chip Close, Water Operations Manager; Keane Sommers, Hydroelectric Manager; Dustin Cooper, District Counsel; and Kris Stepanian, Board Secretary.

### STANDING ORDERS

- Call to Order
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call

## EMPLOYEE RELATIONS - Service Awards

The following Employees were recognized for their length of service with the District.

| <b>Employee</b>  | <u>Title</u>   | Hire Date  |
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| <u>25 Years</u><br>Monica Reyes  | Recreation Manager   | 06/17/1996   |
| <u>15 Years</u> Philip Goguen Ken Bartsch John Foppiano IV Pamela Robinson | Electrical Systems Superintendent<br>Equipment Operator<br>Water Distribution Operator II<br>Management Assistant        | 01/03/2006<br>02/13/2006<br>02/27/2006<br>06/26/2006               |
| 10 Years Don Bird Robert Graham Cindy Ware Ken Gravatt David Beem          | Safety Analyst Cross Connection Control Technician II Safety Technician II Utility Worker II Sr. Hydroelectric Machinist | 01/03/2011<br>01/10/2011<br>03/21/2011<br>04/11/2011<br>06/27/2011 |

# PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

- None

### INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- Department Updates were provided to the Board

**Public Comment: None** 

MINUTES - July 1, 2021, Special Meeting

Public Comment: None

Approved the Minutes of the special meeting on July 1, 2021. M/S/C Johansen/Hull, unanimously approved.

MINUTES – July 14, 2021, Regular Meeting

Public Comment: None

Approved the Minutes of the regular meeting on July 14, 2021. M/S/C Johansen/Hull, unanimously approved.

### WARRANTS/FINANCIALS

Marvin Davis, Finance Manager/Treasurer, presented the item.

Public Comment: None

Approved the check register and received and filed the Project & Facility and Investment Reports for the period ending July 13, 2021. M/S/C Johansen/Hull, unanimously approved.

### HEMPHILL DIVERSION STRUCTURE PROJECT (FATR #7032)

Doug Roderick, Interim Engineering Manager, and Tonia Tabucchi Herrera, Senior Engineer, presented the item.

### Public Hearing:

- Traci Sheehan, with Foothills Water Network
- James Haufler, with Friends of Auburn Ravine
- Robert Haine, member of the public
- Jean Castillo, with NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration) Fisheries

Adopted Resolution No. 2021-27 – Certifying the Adequacy of and Adopting the Final Environmental Impact Report; Adopting Statement of Findings; Approving the Hemphill Diversion Structure Project, and Adopting the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, as amended to include "State Clearinghouse" on bottom of page 1. M/S/C Peters/Heck, unanimously approved.

# TEXAS CREEK FLUME SPILLWAY FOOTING FOUNDATION PROTECTION (FATR #2525)

Keane Sommers, Hydroelectric Manager, presented the item.

Public Comment: None

Awarded a construction contract with Glissman Excavation in the amount of \$168,821.00, approved the associated budget amendment and authorized the General Manager to execute the appropriate documents. M/S/C Peters/Hull, unanimously approved.

The meeting recessed at 10:40 a.m. and reconvened at 10:46 a.m.

### COMPUTERIZED MAINTENANCE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM UPDATE

Jennifer Hanson, General Manager, introduced the item, and Keane Sommers, Hydroelectric Manager, presented an informational presentation on the status of the Computerized Maintenance Management System.

**Public Comment: None** 

**Board Action: None** 

# DROUGHT ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES, FINES, AND PENALTIES

Chip Close, Water Operations Manager, presented the item.

## Public Comment:

- Kurt Lorenz, member of the public
- Michael Ross, member of the public

Adopted Resolution No. 2021-28 - Establishing Enforcement Procedures, Fines, and Penalties for Violations of the District's Mandatory Water Use Restrictions Established in Resolution No. 2021-21. M/S/C Hull/Johansen, unanimously approved.

The meeting recessed at 12:23 p.m. and reconvened at 12:30 p.m.

## PLAN FOR WATER PROCESS OVERVIEW

Jennifer Hanson, General Manager, presented the discussion item.

#### Public Comment:

- Otis Wollan, member of the public
- Traci Sheehan, with Foothills Water Network
- Bruce Herring, member of the public
- Dianna Suarez, resident of Colfax

**Board Action: None** 

# GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Jennifer Hanson, General Manager, reported on the following items:

- 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Update
- Curtailments Update provided by Dustin Cooper, Legal Counsel

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS' ITEMS / REPORTS

Director Hull, Division III, reported on the following items:

 Working with constituents on different issues and expressed her appreciation for support received from District staff and the General Manager

Director Peters, Division IV, reported on the following items:

- She will be on the upcoming ACWA Region 3 Board of Directors ballot
- Enjoyed recent vacation

Director Heck, Division I, reported on the following items:

- Constituent concerns regarding vulnerable wells and requests for water
- Volunteering at the District's Nevada County Fair booth & suggested a press release
- Requested a future Board item to discuss fire restrictions and USFS contracts

Director Johansen, Division V, reported on the following items:

- Public Health & Safety
- Water temperatures
- Thirsty crops

Director Bierwagen, Division II, reported on the following items:

Observed water tenderer

### PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED IN CLOSED SESSION

None

The meeting recessed at 1:45 p.m. and reconvened in Closed Session at 1:50 p.m.

Closed session conference with Legal Counsel – existing litigation was declared at 1:45 p.m., pursuant to Government Code § 54956.9. Petition for Assignment of State-filed Application A005634 and Accompanying Water Right Application A005634X01 of Nevada Irrigation District and Request for Release from Priority of State Filed Applications A005633 and A005634 in favor of Water Right License 11120 of South Sutter Water District.

**Board Action: None** 

MEETING ADJOURNED at 2:36 p.m. to reconvene in regular session on Wednesday, August 25, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. at the District's Business Center located at 1036 West Main Street, Grass Valley, California. The August 11, 2021 meeting has been canceled.

| Attest a true record of actions had and taken at the above and foregoing meeting our presence thereat and our consent thereto. | Ē            | Board Secretary |
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|  | Division I   |                 |
|  | Division II  |                 |
|  | Division III |                 |
|  | Division IV  |                 |
|  | Division V   |                 |