

Yolo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District

AGENDA Board Meeting 34274 State Highway 16 Woodland, CA 95695 Tuesday, July 5, 2011 7:00 P.M.

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AGENDA

- 7:00 1. Board Consideration: The Board will consider adoption of the minutes of the June 7, 2011 Regular Board Meetings.
- 7:02 2. Open forum (Limited to five minutes): Guest introductions, unscheduled appearances and opportunity for public comment on non-agenda items.
- 7:07 3. Board Consideration: Adding Items to the Posted Agenda.
In order to add an item to the agenda, it must fit one of the following categories:
a) A majority determination that an emergency (as defined by the Brown Act) exists; or
b) A 4/5ths determination that the need to take action that arose subsequent to the agenda being posted.
- 7:10 4. Staff Presentation: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) requirements applicable to the District.
- 7:30 5. Staff Presentation: SB X7-7 Water Measurement Regulation Implementation.
- 8:00 6. Board Consideration: Setting a date for a Board retreat.

- 8:10 7. Directors' Reports: Each member of the Board will have the opportunity to report on meetings and conferences attended during the prior month on behalf of the District.
- 8:15 8. Attorney's Report: The District's attorney will report on the following:
a) Current legal and legislative activities.
- 8:20 9. General Manager's Report: The Board will receive a report from the General Manager or designated representatives regarding current general activities and projects of the District.
a) General Activities
b) Operations, Maintenance and Water Conditions
- 8:25 10. General Discussion: Opportunity for Board members to ask questions for clarification, provide information to staff, request staff to report back on a matter, or direct staff to place a matter on a subsequent agenda.
- 8:30 11. Board Consideration: The Board will consider the approval and the payments of bills.
- 8:35 12. Closed Session:
c) Conference with Board under Personnel Issues (General Manager); Government Code Section 57957.
- 8:58 13. Closed Session Report
Report action and vote, if any, taken in Closed Session
- 9:00 14. Adjourn

The public may address the Board concerning an agenda item either before or during the Board's consideration of that agenda item. Public comment on items within the Board's jurisdiction is welcome, subject to reasonable time limits for each speaker. Upon request, agenda items may be moved up to accommodate those in attendance wishing to address that item. Times listed for consideration of agenda items are approximate only. The Board may consider any agenda item at any time during the Board meeting.

I declare that the foregoing agenda was posted at the office of the Yolo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, 34274 State Highway 16, Woodland, CA on July 1, 2011.

By: _____
Christina Cobey, Administrative Assistant



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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, July 5, 2011, 7:00 PM

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The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Yolo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District was held at 7:00 p.m. on July 5, 2011, at its regular place of business, 34274 State Highway 16, Woodland, California. Chair Rominger convened the meeting. In attendance were:

District Board

Bruce Rominger, Chair
Jim Mayer, Vice Chair
Ann Brice
Ron Tadlock
Erik Vink

District Staff

Tim O'Halloran, General Manager
Christy Barton, Assistant General Manager
Ryan Bezerra, Legal Counsel

Members of the Public

Duane Chamberlain

1. BOARD CONSIDERATION: Approval of Minutes

M/S/C approved the minutes of the June 7, 2011 Regular Board Meeting as corrected.

2. OPEN FORUM

None

3. BOARD CONSIDERATION: Adding Items to the Posted Agenda

None

4. STAFF PRESENTATION: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) requirements applicable to the District

General Manager O'Halloran provided the Board with a brief overview regarding the FERC and its safety responsibilities concerning dams with hydro plants.

Assistant General Manager Barton provided a PowerPoint presentation. Barton reviewed the four principal recurring requirements of FERC that apply to the District. Those requirements include annual dam inspections, dam failure emergency action plans, security documentation and programs, and Part 12D Independent Safety Inspections. She expanded on each of the four items and related their importance to the safety of the dams and the public.

5. SB X7-7 Water Management Regulation Implementation

General Manager O'Halloran provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding SB X7-7, the purpose of which is to require accurate measuring of deliveries and volumetric pricing.

O'Halloran reported that for program implementation purposes, existing structures must be accurate within 12%, while newly installed structures must have a 5% accuracy.

O'Halloran noted that the District has 662 delivery points within the system. O'Halloran's PowerPoint included numerous delivery gate examples from the District's system, showing problems with water entry conditions to structures. He pointed out that the presence of moss and aquatic weeds can also impact accuracy of readings.

O'Halloran reported that there are four major components to SB X7-7 measurement compliance: accuracy certification of 10% of the gates, records retention, documenting device performance, and reporting to the State. The program will be reviewed and undoubtedly modified during the next two years. During that time, the District and the Northern California Water Association (NCWA) will be actively providing input into the review process. NCWA water managers will work together to develop cost data and cost/benefit information.

6. BOARD CONSIDERATION: Setting a date for a Board retreat.

General manager O'Halloran reviewed past discussions regarding District infrastructure, sustainability, advocacy, budgets and rate structure. These are the topics he would like to review in a retreat with the Board within the next several months.

A retreat was tentatively set for Friday, September 30, 2011. The location is yet to be determined.

7. DIRECTORS' REPORTS

General Manager O'Halloran reported that he and Director Brice had met with an environmental consulting firm (AES) regarding long-term permitting issues.

8. ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Legal Counsel Bezerra reported that an item of interest to the District would relate to the State's adopted budget. All general funds previously provided to the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) and the State Water Quality Control Board (SWQCB) were removed. This means the SWRCB will need to make up the shortfall with additional fees.

9. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager O'Halloran reported that:

- a. The State Department of Finance had contacted the District regarding performing an audit associated with two of the District grants. Upon discussion with the auditor, it was noted that the District was selected for the audit due to its proximity to Sacramento and funding issues related to State employee's travel.
- b. The District's operations this year had obviously been impacted by the unusual weather with water demand fluctuating up and down dramatically.
- c. The District has started using a new herbicide the season (cascade), which is expected to be more cost effective and may save the District half of what was budgeted.

10. GENERAL DISCUSSION

None

11. BOARD CONSIDERATION: Payment of Bills

M/S/C approval for the following claim(s) for payment:

Yolo County Flood Control Checks: # 45799-45809

12. CLOSED SESSION:

The meeting was adjourned to Closed Session under:

Government Code Section 57957. Conference with Board under Personnel Issues (General Manager O'Halloran). The only persons present other than the Board was General Manager O'Halloran.

13. CLOSED SESSION REPORT:

Chairman Rominger reconvened the meeting and announced action taken during the Closed Session was to renew General Manager O'Halloran's employment contract under its current terms and conditions for a new two-year term effective July 1, 2011.

14. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Bruce J. Rominger, Chair

ATTEST:

Tim O'Halloran, Secretary