

Yolo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District

Board Meeting
Tuesday, February 1, 2022
7:00 P.M.

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AGENDA

- 7:00 1. Consideration: Re-authorize Teleconference Meetings as a Result of the COVID-19 Emergency
- 7:05 2. Consideration: Adoption of the January 4, 2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- 7:07 3. Open forum (Limited to five minutes): Guest introductions, unscheduled appearances, opportunity for public comment on non-agenda items
- 7:12 4. 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.
- 7:15 5. Consideration: Appointment of District Representatives to Committees and Various Groups
- 7:25 6. Consideration: Receive Update from Finance Committee and Authorize General Manager to Enter into Services Agreement with Larsen, Wurzel & Associates
- 7:45 7. Directors' Report: Report on meetings and conferences attended during the prior month on behalf of the District
- 7:50 8. Attorney's Report: Report on legal matters of concern to the District
- 7:55 9. General Manager's Report: Report regarding current general activities and projects of the District
a) Operations, Maintenance, and Water Conditions
b) Financial Report
c) Capital Improvement Program

- d) YSGA Update
- e) General Activities
- f) Upcoming Events

- 8:05 10. General Discussion: Opportunity for clarification or additional information request
- 8:10 11. Consideration: Consider the approval and the payment of bills
- 8:15 12. Adjourn

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I declare that the foregoing agenda was posted at the office of the Yolo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District, 34274 State Highway 16, Woodland, CA on January 28, 2022.

By: _____
Christina Cobey, Administrative Assistant

YOLO COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: February 1, 2022

ITEM #: 1

SUBJECT: Consideration: Re-authorize Teleconference Meetings as a Result of the COVID-19 Emergency

INITIATED OR BOARD
REQUESTED BY: STAFF
 OTHER _____

COORDINATED OR
PREPARED BY: Kristin Sicke
APPROVED BY: Kristin Sicke

ATTACHMENT YES NO
 DIRECTION

INFORMATION
 ACTION: MOTION
 RESOLUTION

BACKGROUND:

Yolo County health officer has recommended that local government boards, commissions, and councils continue to meet remotely given the continued threat of COVID-19. Assembly Bill 361 passed in September 2021, which allows virtual board meetings to continue until January 1, 2024. In order to meet remotely, government agencies must make findings every 30 days that the existing state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members to meet in person, or state officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommend that the Board 1) find that, as a result of the COVID-19 emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health and safety of attendees; and 2) hold meetings by teleconference as authorized by subdivision (e)(1)(C) of Section 54953 of the Government Code.

YOLO COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: February 1, 2022

ITEM #: 2

SUBJECT: Consideration: Adoption of the January 4, 2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

INITIATED OR BOARD
REQUESTED BY: STAFF
 OTHER _____

COORDINATED OR
APPROVED BY: Kristin Sicke

ATTACHMENT YES NO
 DIRECTION

INFORMATION
 ACTION: MOTION
 RESOLUTION

BACKGROUND:

Pursuant to Section 54957.5 of the Brown Act, copies of the draft minutes are available to the public on the District's website and at the District office prior to their approval.

In advance of the Board meeting, staff request the Directors notify staff if a correction is needed in the draft minutes to clarify a substantial point or to correct content. Staff will make the appropriate change(s) and submit the revised draft for review to the Board and the public at the meeting.

RECOMMENDATION:

District staff recommend the adoption of the attached minutes with any corrections.



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FLOOD CONTROL &
WATER CONSERVATION
DISTRICT

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, January 4, 2022, 7:00 PM

YCFC&WCD Offices
34274 State Highway 16
Woodland, CA 95695

Due to the threat of COVID-19 and pursuant to the [AB 361 \(Government Code section 54953\(e\)\)](#), the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Yolo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District (District) was agendized to allow Board members, staff, and the public to participate in the meeting via teleconference. The meeting was held at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 4, 2022 remotely via GoToMeeting. Vice Chair Vink convened the meeting. The following people were remotely in attendance:

District Board

Erik Vink, Chair

Tom Barth

Mary Kimball

Jim Mayer

Shane Tucker

District Staff

Kristin Sicke, General Manager

Members of the Public

Jim Barrett

Cork McIsaac

Dave Pratt

Kate Reza

Lee Smith

Jeanette Wrynski

1. CONSIDERATION: Re-authorize Teleconference Meetings as a Result of COVID-19 Emergency

District staff recommended the Board find that, as a result of the COVID-19 emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to health and safety of attendees and recommend the Board hold meetings by teleconference as authorized by Section 54953 (e)(1)(C) of Government Code.

M/S/C found that, as a result of the COVID-19 emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to health and safety of attendees and as authorized by Government Code Section 54953 (e)(1)(C) meetings will be held by teleconference.

Ayes: Directors Barth, Kimball, Mayer, Tucker, and Vink

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

2. CONSIDERATION: Approval of Minutes

M/S/C approved the minutes of the December 7, 2021 regular Board meeting.

Ayes: Directors Barth, Kimball, Mayer, and Vink

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: Tucker

3. OPEN FORUM

Vice Chair Vink introduced the District's newest Director, Shane Tucker, and appreciated Tucker's representation as a landowner and farmer within Yolo County.

4. CONSIDERATION: Adding Items to the Posted Agenda

There were no changes made to the agenda.

5. CONSIDERATION: Election of Officers for 2022

General Manager Sicke reviewed the Board's past policy of rotating Directors through the positions of chair and vice chair. Sicke stated that if the Board wished to continue that policy, the slate of officers for 2022 would be Directors Erik Vink as Chair, Mary Kimball as Vice Chair, and General Manager Kristin Sicke as Secretary.

M/S/C approved the election of Directors Erik Vink as Chair, Mary Kimball as Vice Chair, and General Manager Kristin Sicke as Secretary.

Ayes: Directors Barth, Kimball, Mayer, Tucker, and Vink

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

The Board thanked Bruce Rominger for his service as Chair during 2021. Vink was seated as Chair.

6. CONSIDERATION: Adoption of Resolution 22.01 Honoring Retired Director Bruce J. Rominger

Chair Vink presented Resolution 22.01 honoring retired Director Bruce J. Rominger. Vink reflected on all of the District's accomplishments during Rominger's tenure.

Director Barth stated he was honored to serve with Rominger on the Board and appreciated his excellent knowledge of the District and exceptional engagement with the community.

M/S/C adopted Resolution 22.01 Honoring Retired Director Bruce J. Rominger.

Ayes: Directors Barth, Kimball, Mayer, Tucker, and Vink

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

7. CONSIDERATION: Review of Brown Act Provisions and Rules for Proceedings for the Board of Directors

Chair Vink requested Legal Counsel Ramos present on the Brown Act review and Directors' Rules for Proceedings. Ramos noted that the District's Rules for Proceedings for the Board of Directors was really well written and is a comprehensive document on how the Board operates in the four corners of the Brown Act. Ramos briefly reviewed the redline changes to *Rule 24 – Meetings by Teleconference* to align with government code rules of meeting by teleconference.

District staff recommended Board adoption of the 2022 Rules for Proceedings for the Board of Directors.

M/S/C adopted the proposed 2022 Rules for Proceedings for the Board of Directors (as attached in the January Board package).

Ayes: Directors Barth, Kimball, Mayer, Tucker, and Vink

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

8. CONSIDERATION: Updating River City Bank Account Signature Authorization

General Manager Sicke recommended the Board authorize General Manager Sicke to submit the necessary documentation to River City Bank to update authorized signatures as listed in the January Board package.

M/S/C authorized General Manager Sicke to submit the necessary documentation to River City Bank to update authorized signatures.

Ayes: Directors Barth, Kimball, Mayer, Tucker, and Vink

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

9. CONSIDERATION: Authorizing the District’s YSGA Representative to Vote on the Consideration of Adopting the Yolo Subbasin GSP

General Manager Sicke provided a brief presentation on the development of the Yolo Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP). Sicke reported that the YSGA will be considering adoption of the final GSP at a special meeting on January 24, 2022 and once adopted, the final GSP would be submitted to DWR by January 31, 2022. Sicke also provided a brief update on the YSGA’s Ad Hoc Drought Contingency Planning Committee’s activities.

Director Barth remarked that the GSP’s development was built around DWR’s regulatory process, and now the YSGA would need to develop the fundamental processes for how the YSGA will operate and implement the GSP on a local level. For example, the GSP does not currently define a dispute resolution process for the Yolo Subbasin, and there are issues related to authority, responsibility, control, voting, and fees that still need to be addressed.

Director Mayer stressed the importance of continuing to convey the urgency of the drought conditions during GSP implementation and raised some thoughtful questions about the District’s involvement and role in implementing the GSP.

Lee Smith commented that the District’s guiding hand in the YSGA’s implementation of the GSP is very valuable as he has also observed the importance of water districts’ participation in SGMA in other parts of the state.

Staff recommended the Board authorize the District’s Representative, Director Tom Barth, to vote on the consideration of adopting the GSP. Director Mayer made a motion for a slight revision to the recommendation: that the Board authorize Director Barth to vote yes on the YSGA’s consideration of adoption of the GSP.

M/S/C authorized the District’s YSGA Representative, Director Tom Barth, to Vote Yes on the YSGA’s Consideration of Adoption of the Yolo Subbasin GSP.

Ayes: Directors Barth, Kimball, Mayer, Tucker, and Vink

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

10. DIRECTORS’ REPORTS

Director Mayer reported on NCWA’s third scenario planning session that was focused on groundwater and occurred in mid-December. He relayed that the meeting invoked a healthy conversation related to streamlining the state’s regulatory process for groundwater recharge projects. He reported on NCWA’s upcoming board meeting on January 5, 2022 and the continued engagement of NCWA and water districts in the “Voluntary Agreement” process.

Director Barth had nothing to report other than the YSGA items previously discussed.

Directors Kimball, Tucker, and Vink also had nothing to report.

11. ATTORNEY'S REPORTS

There was no report from Legal Counsel Ramos.

12. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager Sicke provided reports on the following:

- a) Operations, Maintenance, and Water Conditions
- b) Financial Report Summary – Highlights from the December 31, 2021 Financial Statements Report were quickly reviewed, and the actual FY 2021/2022 Budget was compared to the projected FY 2021/2022 Budget.
- c) Capital Improvement Program – An update on the planning activities related to large capital projects was provided.
- d) General Activities – A list of outreach activities and projects both in-house and coordinated with other agencies was reviewed.
- e) The following upcoming events were announced:
 1. January 5: Grand Jury Visit
 2. January 6: DWR's Southern Sacramento Valley AEM Surveys Preparatory Meeting
 3. January 10: WRA/YSGA Board of Directors Meetings
 4. January 11: Yolo County Board of Supervisors Meeting – Public Hearing for Teichert Shifler Mining and Reclamation Project
 5. January 11: Yolo FloodMAR Meeting with TNC
 6. January 12: WRA TC Ad Hoc Drought Task Force Meeting
 7. January 12: ACWA Region 4 Board Orientation
 8. January 12: YSGA: NSV Interbasin Coordination Meeting
 9. January 14: NCWA's NOAA Fisheries Conversation on Reintroduction of Salmon in Historical Habitats Meeting
 10. January 18: NCWA Water Coordination Task Force Meeting
 11. January 24: YSGA Special Board of Directors Meeting
 12. January 26: WRA/YSGA Executive Committee Meetings
 13. January 26/27: Yolo County Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program Annual Meetings
 14. January 27: Yolo LAFCo Meeting – Approval of District's 2020 Annexation Request
 15. January 27: Yolo County Consumer Fraud/Environmental Protection Funds Meeting
 16. February 5: Lions Club Woodland Cabinet Annual Meeting

13. GENERAL DISCUSSION

There was no general discussion.

14. CONSIDERATION: Payment of Bills

M/S/C approved the following claims for payment – Yolo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District Checks # 60736-60743.

Ayes: Directors Barth, Kimball, Mayer, Tucker, and Vink

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

15. ADJOURNMENT

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

Erik Vink, Chair

ATTEST:

Kristin Sicke, Secretary

YOLO COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: February 1, 2022

ITEM #: 5

SUBJECT: Consideration: Appointment of District Representatives to Committees and Various Groups

INITIATED OR BOARD
REQUESTED BY: STAFF
 OTHER _____

COORDINATED OR
PREPARED BY: Chair Erik Vink
APPROVED BY:

ATTACHMENT YES NO
 DIRECTION

INFORMATION
 ACTION: MOTION
 RESOLUTION

BACKGROUND:

Annually, the Chair appoints the District's representation to various groups and committees. The proposed 2022 appointments will be announced by the Chair during the meeting.

RECOMMENDATION:

This agenda item is for informational purposes only. No Board action is required.

YOLO COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: February 1, 2022

ITEM #: 6

SUBJECT: Consideration: Receive Update from Finance Committee and Authorize General Manager to Enter into Services Agreement with Larsen, Wurzel & Associates

INITIATED OR BOARD
REQUESTED BY: STAFF
 OTHER _____

COORDINATED OR
PREPARED BY: Kristin Sicke
APPROVED BY: Kristin Sicke

ATTACHMENT YES NO
 DIRECTION

INFORMATION
 ACTION: MOTION
 RESOLUTION

BACKGROUND:

The Finance Committee met on January 19, 2022 to review a proposal from Larsen, Wurzel & Associates (LWA) for providing professional services to investigate an alternative funding mechanism for augmenting the District's current funding structure.

The Finance Committee will provide an update on the meeting and additional detail about the \$45,000 proposal for enlisting LWA's assistance in identifying possible opportunities for generating new revenues for the District.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommend authorizing General Manager Sicke to enter into a Services Agreement with Larsen Wurzel & Associates on behalf of the District.