

August 10, 2022

The Board of Directors of the Terra Bella Irrigation District met this day in regular session, the meeting was teleconference from the District Office located at 24790 Avenue 95, Terra Bella, California.

CALL TO ORDER

President Wheaton called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

ATTENDANCE participating in this meeting remotely and in person:

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Wheaton, Doyel, Galloway

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Fowler, Martinez

OTHERS PRESENT: Sean P. Geivet, General Manager
Albert Smith, District Operations Superintendent
Ann Nelms, District Secretary-Treasurer
Doug Jackson
Fernando Rios

AGENDA – CONSIDER CHANGES OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

No changes were made to the posted agenda.

CONTINUING SUSPENSION of Public Meeting Location Resolution No. 2022-08-01 – Consider approval of resolution continuing suspension of public meeting locations pursuant to AB 361.

Upon motion by Director Doyel, seconded by Director Wheaton, the following Resolution was passed and adopted:

**TERRA BELLA IRRIGATION DISTRICT
RESOLUTION 2022-08-01 RE CONTINUED SUSPENSION OF PUBLIC TELECONFERENCING LOCATIONS**

WHEREAS, as modified by Assembly Bill 361, *Government Code* § 54953(e)(1) permits local agencies to dispense with the requirements for teleconference locations contained in *Government Code* § 54953(b)(3) under the conditions specified herein;

WHEREAS, the Board has reconsidered the state of emergency issued by the State of California in connection with COVID-19, and has found that the declared state of emergency remains in effect;

WHEREAS, local and state officials continue to recommend and, in some cases, require, social distancing measures;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Board shall, consistent with *Government Code* 54953(e)(1), continue to operate without physical, public meeting or teleconference locations.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION was passed and adopted by the Terra Bella Irrigation District Board of Directors on this 10th day of August, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: Wheaton, Doyel, Galloway

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Fowler, Martinez

/s/ Edwin L Wheaton

Edwin L. Wheaton, President

ATTEST:

/s/ Ann Nelms

Ann Nelms, Secretary

Certificate of Secretary

I do hereby certify that I am the Secretary of Terra Bella Irrigation District, a special district organized and existing under the laws of the State of California, and that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Directors thereof at a meeting thereof duly and regularly held on the 10th day of August, 2022, at which meeting a quorum of the said Board of Directors was at all times present and acting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in whole or any part thereof, and remains in force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed this Certificate on this 10th day of August, 2022, Terra Bella, California.

/s/ Ann Nelms

Ann Nelms, Secretary

PUBLIC INPUT

President Wheaton asked for public input. There was no questions or comments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

M/S/U, Wheaton, Doyel to approve the minutes of the July 13, 2022 regular meeting as mailed.

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS Review and discuss outstanding bills.

M/S/U Doyel, Wheaton to authorize the Treasurer to pay all outstanding bills against the District as presented.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Treasurer Nelms reviewed with the Board the financial status of the District, including TBID Investment Policy Review in Compliance with SB 564 and SB 866. Included in the review; monthly statements from California Bank & Trust, Local Agency Investment Fund, Friant Power Authority revenue and expenditure summary worksheet. Delinquent water account report was reviewed and discussed.

A preliminary TBID balance sheet as of June 30, 2022 as well as Income Statements for the same period, including year-to-date statements were reviewed.

Albert Smith, Operations Superintendent, presented his monthly operating activities report for July 2022. Mr. Smith stated there were no accidents or injuries to report.

Equipment maintenance and repair included a new cutting blade for the 580L backhoe, greased all pumps and motors at station #7, #8, and #9, station #6 pump motor #1 breaker was replaced, along with some new wiring. Car #1 got new front brakes. Operations maintenance and repair report included weeding and cleaned up at stations #7, #8, and #9. Two main line leaks one at Avenue 70 and Road 260, and one on Road 256 about 200 yards south of Avenue 108.

WTP average flow through the plant is around 550 gpm. Rebuilt the chlorine analyzer.

The total precipitation is 8.16 inches YTD. USA locates: 46. Back flow's Tested: 12

Manager Geivet presented the monthly water report. The Bureau allocation increased to 30% for Frait Contractors Class I water. The canal will be de-watered this winter starting about November 4th through February 1st there will be no irrigation water. There will be approximately 2,900 acre feet of carry over water to start 2023 water year. Discussion followed on this winter's canal repairs and available wells for M&I water.

Frait Water Authority is working on the canal repairs. CEO Jason Phillips is keeping everyone up-to-date with emails.

Friant Power Authority nothing new to report.

Status of Authorities; ESPA, DCTRA, ACWA & AECA: nothing new to report.

Eastern Tule GSA is working on accounting for the transittual pumping.

Fernando Rios and Doug Jackson departed from the Board room and teleconference at 9:46 a.m.

EMPLOYEE MATTERS – Closed Session, Government Code Section 54957, Personnel. Discussion and potential action on the Employees' performance and compensation

Adjourned into closed session at 9:46 a.m.

The Board of Directors met while in closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) to discuss the above-entitled action. Report Action Taken in Closed Session Required by Government Code Section 54957.1

The Board adjourned from closed session at 9:50 a.m.

Mr. Geivet reviewed the Consumer's Price Index for June 2022, showing an increase of 8.5%. Mr. Geivet recommended to the Board that they grant the employees a 8.5% cost of living increase. He also recommended step increases for Angie Guzman and Ann Nelms.

M/S/C, Galloway, Doyel to approve the Manager's recommendation to grant employees of the District the CPI 8.5% cost of living increase and grant step increases for Angie Guzman and Ann Nelms.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION [Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)] *City of Fresno, et al. v. United States of America, Court of Federal Claims, Case No. 16-1276L.*

No closed session was required.

ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54954.2 (Relating to items not appearing on the agenda)

None to report.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board of Directors, the meeting was adjourned at 9:50 a.m. by President Wheaton.

Ann Nelms, Secretary