

NEVADA IRRIGATION DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MINUTES

February 23, 2022

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 23rd day of February 2022, at 9 a.m.

Present were Chris Bierwagen, President (Division II); Karen Hull, Vice President (Division III); and Directors Rich Johansen (Division V).

Directors Ricki Heck (Division I) and Laura L. Peters (Division IV) were absent.

Staff members present included Greg Jones, Assistant General Manager; Doug Roderick, Engineering Manager; Chip Close, Water Operations Manager; Keane Sommers, Hydroelectric Manager; Steve Prosser, Maintenance Manager; Monica Reyes, Recreation Manager; Debbie Martin, Controller; Dustin Cooper, District Counsel; and Kris Stepanian, Board Secretary.

STANDING ORDERS

- Call to Order: President Bierwagen called the meeting to order
- President Bierwagen led the Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call: 3 Members Present / 2 Members Absent, as noted above.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

- None

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Public Comment: None

**Director Hull motioned for approval of the Consent Agenda. Director Johansen seconded the motion.**

**Motion passed on the following roll call vote:**

<b>Heck, Division 1</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Bierwagen, Division 2</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Hull, Division 3</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Peters, Division 4</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Johansen, Division 5</b>	<b>Aye</b>

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The following Consent Agenda items were approved:

MINUTES – February 8, 2022, Special Meeting

**Approved the Minutes of the special meeting on February 8, 2022, as submitted. M/S/C Hull/Johansen.**

**Motion passed on the following roll call vote:**

Heck, Division 1	Absent
Bierwagen, Division 2	Aye
Hull, Division 3	Aye
Peters, Division 4	Absent
Johansen, Division 5	Aye

MINUTES – February 9, 2022, Special Meeting

**Approved the Minutes of the special meeting on February 9, 2022, as submitted. M/S/C Hull/Johansen.**

**Motion passed on the following roll call vote:**

Heck, Division 1	Absent
Bierwagen, Division 2	Aye
Hull, Division 3	Aye
Peters, Division 4	Absent
Johansen, Division 5	Aye

MINUTES – February 9, 2022, Regular Meeting

**Approved the Minutes of the regular meeting on February 9, 2022, as submitted. M/S/C Hull/Johansen.**

**Motion passed on the following roll call vote:**

Heck, Division 1	Absent
Bierwagen, Division 2	Aye
Hull, Division 3	Aye
Peters, Division 4	Absent
Johansen, Division 5	Aye

HYDROELECTRIC DEPARTMENT TRAINING REQUEST

**Approved using the 2022 Hydroelectric Department training budget to send staff to a Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E) or similar training program provided by a reputable institution, cost not to exceed the budgeted amount. M/S/C Hull/Johansen.**

**Motion passed on the following roll call vote:**

Heck, Division 1	Absent
Bierwagen, Division 2	Aye
Hull, Division 3	Aye
Peters, Division 4	Absent
Johansen, Division 5	Aye

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WARRANTS, PROJECTS AND FACILITIES REPORT, AND INVESTMENT REPORT

**Ratified the issuance of warrants by receiving and filing the check registers, Project and Facility Report, and Investment Transaction Report for the period January 22 to February 4, 2022. M/S/C Hull/Johansen.**

**Motion passed on the following roll call vote:**

<b>Heck, Division 1</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Bierwagen, Division 2</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Hull, Division 3</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Peters, Division 4</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Johansen, Division 5</b>	<b>Aye</b>

**GENERAL ORDERS**

2021 YUBA/BEAR RIVER WATERSHED SANITARY SURVEY UPDATE

Chip Close, Water Operations Manager, presented the item and introduced Bonny Starr with Starr Consulting, who provided a presentation. No Board action was taken.

Public Comment:

- Laura Barhydt, member of the public, expressed her appreciation for the presentation and commented on the agricultural community's participation in the Irrigated Lands Program, which includes a water monitoring system that looks for agricultural contamination

LOWER CASCADE CANAL AND UPPER GRASS VALLEY CANAL TREE HEALTH, CANOPY COVER AND POND MONITORING REPORT – YEAR 8 (PROJECT #6593-2)

Doug Roderick, Engineering Manager, presented the informational item and introduced Bernadette Bezy and Meghan Oats with Stantec, who provided a presentation. No Board action was taken.

Public Comment:

- Michael Hill-Weld, member of the public, expressed his appreciation for the study

ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Greg Jones, Assistant General Manager, reported on the following items:

- Outreach and messaging updates regarding drought
- Plan for Water April 12<sup>th</sup> meeting will be rescheduled to avoid Spring break

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' ITEMS / REPORTS

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

- Attended a Briar Patch Board meeting and shared highlights
- Attending a Penn Valley Town Hall meeting on February 23<sup>rd</sup>
- Participating in an event regarding climate change at Grass Valley Media Center on April 11<sup>th</sup>

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

- None

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

- None

MEETING ADJOURNED at 11:10 a.m., to reconvene in regular session on Wednesday, March 9, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. at the District's Business Center located at 1036 West Main Street, Grass Valley, California.

Submitted By



Kris Stepanian, Board Secretary