

**TRIANGLE T WATER DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING  
December 12, 2019**

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**Those present at the meeting included**

<b>Directors:</b>	Lucas Avila	HNRG
	Dirk Vlot	Vlot Family Farms
	Molly Thurman	HNRG
<b>Others:</b>	Sarah Woolf	Water Wise
	Chase Hurley	WLS
	Brad Samuelson	WLS
	Bill Littleton	Fairmead Farms
	Jeannie Habben	Madera County
	Clay Haynes	Haynes Farms
	Phil Janzen	Agriland Farming
	Jose Ochoa	HNRG
	Michael Peters	Kaweah Pump
	George Park	Lone Tree MWC
	Carl Evers Jr.	HNRG
	Mark Hutson	

**Roll Call:** Director Avila called the meeting to order at 10:30 AM and asked for self-introductions.

**Public Comment:**

No public comment was made.

**Minutes**

Minutes from November 14, 2019 were reviewed and Director Dirk Vlot made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Director Lucas Avila and passed unanimously.

**Appointment of New Board Member**

Director Molly Thurman made a motion to nominate Jose Ochoa to fill the vacated board seat. Director Dirk Vlot made the second and the motion passed unanimously.

Newly appointed Director Jose Ochoa joined the board for the remainder of the meeting.

**Budget**

Chase Hurley reviewed the invoices to be paid and the year to date budget for 2019. Director Dirk Vlot made a motion to approve the bills and the budget. Director Molly Thurman made the second and the motion passed unanimously.

Chase Hurley then walked through the proposed 2020 Budget with the board. Based on the proposed budget the voluntary assessment will be set at \$127.72 in four quarterly payments. Director Molly Thurman made a motion to approve the proposed 2020 budget with a second by Director Dirk Vlot. The motion passed unanimously.

**Water Operations**

Chase Hurley reviewed the water report with the board for 2019. A total of 14,911 AF have been secured in the 2019 water year. To date 9,356 AF have been used.

Sarah Woolf discussed a framework for a water banking/credit program for 2020. The board recommended keeping the program as simplistic as possible in the first year. Director Molly Thurman will work with staff to put more detail into the proposed program to present to the board in January 2020.

### **Mitigation Agreement**

Chase Hurley asked the landowners involved in the mitigation agreement to respond with any concerns they have on the proposed Easement documents for the Siphon Pipeline by the end of the month.

Chase Hurley then gave an update of the Ad Hoc committee for the Mitigation Agreement being managed by the water district. The committee recommended to acquire an engineering firm that has a hydrologist to perform the reporting duties necessary for the Mitigation Agreement. Legal Counsel, Jeanne Zolezzi is researching the process necessary for the water district in hiring this service. Staff will proceed with the direction Jeanne provides.

### **Appropriative Water Right**

Sarah Woolf updated the board that the AWR had been filed and is expected to be issued in January 2020. The permit requirement calls for a public notice of exemption and a resolution for groundwater monitoring in the 2020 water year. Director Molly Thurman made a motion to pass Resolution #2019-03 to monitor groundwater use during the 2020 irrigation season. Director Jose Ochoa made the second and the Resolution as approved.

Chase Hurley informed the board that he would be issuing invoices to the landowners outside TTWD for \$10/AC for their participation in the AWR application. Those invoices are anticipated to be sent out by the end of January 2020.

### **Annexation**

Sarah Woolf informed the board that Provost & Pritchard has received all the landowner annexation applications the district has received to date. In January the board will be asked for direction on moving forward on specific lands to be annexed into TTWD.

### **OES Grant**

No update was provided.

### **Red Top Landowners Meeting**

Sarah will plan the next Red Top Landowner Meeting after the Chowchilla GSP is submitted.

### **Clayton Water District**

The Clayton Board Meeting was rescheduled for December 16, 2019 and will be attended by TTWD staff.

### **Other Business**

### **Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 11:55 AM.

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Secretary: Sarah Woolf