

**WESTERN REGIONAL WATER COMMISSION
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
DRAFT MINUTES**

Wednesday, June 21, 2017

The regular meeting of the Western Regional Water Commission (“WRWC”) Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, June 21, 2017, at the Sparks Council Chambers, Legislative Building, 745 Fourth Street, Sparks, Nevada.

1. Roll Call and Determination of Presence of a Quorum

Chairman Hartung called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. There was a quorum present.

<u>Commissioners Present:</u>	<u>Appointed by:</u>
Donald Abbott	City of Sparks
Sandra Ainsworth	Sun Valley General Improvement District (“SVGID”)
Naomi Duerr (present at 9:03 a.m.)	City of Reno
Vaughn Hartung	Washoe County
Jeanne Herman	TMWA (Washoe County)
Paul McKenzie	TMWRF
Ron Smith	TMWA (City of Sparks)

<u>Commissioners Absent:</u>	<u>Appointed by:</u>
Neoma Jardon	TMWA (City of Reno)
Bob Lucey	TMWA (STMGID Successor)

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Rick Warner.

3. Public Comment

None

4. Approval of Agenda (For Possible Action)

COMMISSIONER SMITH MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HERMAN. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH SIX (6) MEMBERS PRESENT.

5. Approval of the Minutes of the May 17, 2017, Meeting (For Possible Action)

COMMISSIONER ABBOTT MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MAY 17, 2017, MINUTES, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HERMAN. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH SIX (6) MEMBERS PRESENT.

- 6. Report on the Advanced Water Treatment Technologies Demonstration Project being conducted by the University of Nevada, Reno (“UNR”), and possible direction to staff - - Jim Smitherman, WRWC Water Resources Program Manager, Rick Warner, Washoe County Community Services Department, and Dr. Krishna Pagilla, UNR. (For Possible Action)**

(Commissioner Duerr present at 9:03 a.m.)

Rick Warner presented an update on the UNR portion of the overall project and answered questions from the Commissioners. Details of the update are included in the PowerPoint presentation that staff will email to each member of the WRWC. Mr. Warner also announced that the Nevada Water Innovation Campus Kick off Reception will be August 24, 2017.

COMMISSIONER DUERR MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE REPORT, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MCKENZIE. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH SEVEN (7) MEMBERS PRESENT.

- 7. Presentation of a detailed scope of work for Phase 1 of the Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency (“TMRPA”) project to develop a regional storm water drainage network Geographic Information System (“GIS”) map, and possible direction to staff – Jim Smitherman and Jeremy Smith, TMRPA. (For Possible Action)**

Jim Smitherman presented the staff report on the detailed scope of work for Phase 1 of this project.

COMMISSIONER SMITH MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE REPORT, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ABBOTT. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH SEVEN (7) MEMBERS PRESENT.

- 8. Discussion and possible approval of three-month, no-cost time extensions for two Interlocal Agreements with the Desert Research Institute: a) The Cloud Seeding project for the 2016 - 2017 season, and b) The Cloud Seeding Monitoring Gauges project; and possible direction to staff - Chris Wessel, WRWC Water Management Planner, and Jim Smitherman. (For Possible Action)**

Chris Wessel presented the staff report. Due to the heavy snowfall this year DRI is not able to complete their scope of work on the Interlocal Agreements listed above.

Wessel explained for Commissioner Duerr that this is a need based program but there are some fixed costs involved as well.

COMMISSIONER MCKENZIE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE THREE-MONTH, NO-COST TIME EXTENSIONS, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HERMAN. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH SEVEN (7) MEMBERS PRESENT.

9. Discussion and possible approval of a Fifth Amendment to the Cooperative Agreement with Washoe County to provide staff services for the WRWC and the Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission (“NNWPC”), extending the Agreement for a term of two years; and if approved, authorize the Chairman to execute a Fifth Amendment for that purpose - Ben Hutchins, Division Director, Finance and Administration, Washoe County Community Services Department, and Jim Smitherman. (For Possible Action)

Ben Hutchins presented information included in the staff report regarding this Fifth Amendment.

COMMISSIONER MCKENZIE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE FIFTH AMENDMENT, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HERMAN. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH SEVEN (7) MEMBERS PRESENT.

10. Final Report on legislative activities, including Bills passed in the 2017 session of the Nevada Legislature that may affect or are of interest to the WRWC / NNWPC; and possible direction to staff – John Rhodes, WRWC Legal Counsel. (For Possible Action)

John Rhodes presented the staff report on the last session of the Legislature. The WRWC Legislative Subcommittee started out tracking over 30 bills and 12 of those ended up being passed. The staff report includes brief summaries of the bills that were passed.

COMMISSIONER DUERR MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE REPORT, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HERMAN. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH SEVEN (7) MEMBERS PRESENT.

11. Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding agenda items and dates for future WRWC meetings – Jim Smitherman. (For Possible Action)

COMMISSIONER DUERR MADE A MOTION TO SKIP THE JULY WRWC MEETING, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER AINSWORTH. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH SEVEN (7) MEMBERS PRESENT.

12. Commission Comments

None

13. Staff Comments

Mr. Smitherman introduced Jennifer Purgitt as the new Administrative Secretary.

Mr. Smitherman will sent invitations for the Nevada Water Innovation Campus Kick off to all WRWC members.

14. Public Comment

None

15. Adjournment (For Possible Action)

The meeting was adjourned at 9:53 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by,
Christine Birmingham, Recording Secretary

Approved by Commission in session on _____ 2017.

Chair Vaughn Hartung

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