

**WESTERN REGIONAL WATER COMMISSION
DRAFT MINUTES**

Wednesday, April 21, 2021

The Western Regional Water Commission (WRWC) Board of Trustees held a regular meeting on Wednesday, April 21, 2021, via Teleconference, and conducted the following business.

1. Roll Call and Determination of Presence of a Quorum

Chair Hartung called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m. There was a quorum present.

<u>Commissioners Present:</u>	<u>Appointed by:</u>
Paul Anderson	Truckee Meadows Water Authority (TMWA) (Sparks)
Jenny Brekhus	TMWA (Reno)
Kristopher Dahir	City of Sparks
Naomi Duerr	City of Reno
Vaughn Hartung	Washoe County
Alexis Hill	TMWA (Washoe County)
Bob Lucey (<i>absent at 9:51 am</i>)	TMWA (STMGID Successor)
Bonnie Weber (<i>present at 8:34 am</i>)	Truckee Meadows Water Reclamation Facility (TMWRF)

<u>Commissioners Absent:</u>	<u>Appointed by:</u>
Sandra Ainsworth	Sun Valley General Improvement District (SVGID)

2. Public Comment

None

3. Approval of Agenda (For Possible Action)

Chair Hartung suggested removing Agenda Item 6 as there is nothing on the horizon of great importance to report for that item.

COMMISSIONER DAHIR MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS AMENDED, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HILL.

Public Comment:

Michael DeMartini stated that Agenda Item 6 is an important item to keep on the agenda and he would like to speak during that item.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH SEVEN (7) COMMISSIONERS PRESENT.

4. Approval of the Minutes for the March 17, 2021, meeting. (For Possible Action)

(*Commissioner Weber present at 8:34.*)

COMMISSIONER WEBER MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MEETING MINUTES, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DUERR. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH EIGHT (8) COMMISSIONERS PRESENT.

5. Presentation regarding OneWater NV ongoing efforts in furtherance of developing regional effluent management alternatives and funding options; and possible direction to staff – Chris Wessel, WRWC Water Resources Program Manager and Jim Smitherman, Water Resource Consultant (For Possible Action)

Staff members of WRWC member agencies and various consultants gave the presentation on ongoing regional effluent management planning efforts, including options and alternatives, the development of an effluent management planning tool, OneWater NV and funding options. The presentation materials will be posted on the website following the meeting.

There was time allotted after the presentation for commissioners to ask questions. Questions were answered and topics discussed included funding, project budgets, projects included under the umbrella of OneWater NV, feasibility study, TMWA involvement with regional resource management, interlocal agreements for the Palomino Farms project.

Public Comment:

Michael DeMartini stated this is very expensive and speculative based on unproven technology with no central regional agency except for interlocal agreements that would manage this. He discussed the need for the public to know what is going on if we will be injecting Class A effluent into our water system.

An email from Mark Goodrich was sent to the commissioners and entered in the record.

Commissioner Brekhus commented on Mr. Goodrich's email and discussed the need to get a collection system up into the septic areas in older neighborhoods.

(Commissioner Lucey absent at ~9:51 a.m.)

CHAIR DAHIR MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE PRESENTATION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WEBER. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH SEVEN (7) COMMISSIONERS PRESENT.

6. Report, discussion and action on legislative activities, including Bill Draft Requests and Bills pending in the 2021 session of the Nevada Legislature that may affect or are of interest to the WRWC / NNWPC; and possible action on WRWC Legislative Subcommittee recommendations regarding pending legislation – Michael Pagni, Legal Counsel (For Possible Action)

This item was removed from the agenda.

7. Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding agenda items and dates for future WRWC meetings

Mr. Wessel reported there will be another presentation on May 19 regarding closed basins. May 20 there will be a public meeting on the budget. The June 16 meeting will include contracts.

8. Commission Comments

None

9. Staff Comments

Mr. Wessel thanked all those involved with today's presentation.

10. Public Comment

Michael DeMartini discussed issues in the North Valleys that he is continuing to work on.

11. Adjournment (For Possible Action)

The meeting was adjourned at 10:03 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by,
Christine Birmingham, Recording Secretary

Approved by Commission in session on _____ 2021.

Chair Vaughn Hartung

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