

**WESTERN REGIONAL WATER COMMISSION
DRAFT MINUTES**

Thursday, May 19, 2022

The Western Regional Water Commission (WRWC) Board of Trustees held a regular meeting on Thursday, May 19, 2022, at the Sparks Council Chambers, 745 4th Street, Sparks, Nevada, and conducted the following business.

1. Roll Call

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

Commissioners Present:

Donald Abbott
Sandra Ainsworth
Paul Anderson
Jenny Brekhus
Ed Lawson for Kristopher Dahir
Naomi Duerr
Vaughn Hartung
Alexis Hill (*Zoom*)

Appointed by:

Truckee Meadows Water Reclamation Facility (TMWRF)
Sun Valley General Improvement District (SVGID)
Truckee Meadows Water Authority (TMWA) (Sparks)
TMWA (Reno)
City of Sparks
City of Reno
Washoe County
TMWA (Washoe County)

Commissioners Absent:

Bob Lucey

Appointed by:

TMWA (STMGID Successor)

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Lawson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Public Comment

None

4. Approval of Agenda (For Possible Action)

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

5. Approval of the Minutes from the March 16, 2022, WRWC Meeting (For Possible Action)

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

6. PUBLIC HEARING Discussion and action on adoption of the WRWC Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 - Kim Rigdon, Water Resources Program Manager (For Possible Action)

Kim Rigdon, Water Resources Program Manager, presented the staff report and answered questions from the Commission. The WRWC approved the Tentative Budget on March 16, 2022 and directed staff to submit the Tentative Budget to the Nevada Department of Taxation (DOT) for review. The DOT approved the Tentative Budget with no modifications on April 19, 2022.

Public Comment: None

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON MADE A MOTION TO ADOPT AND CERTIFY THE WRWC TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022 – 2023, AND DIRECT STAFF TO TRANSMIT A COPY TO THE NEVADA TAX COMMISSION AS THE FINAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023, TOGETHER WITH AN AFFIDAVIT OF PROOF OF PUBLICATION OF THE NOTICE OF THE PUBLIC HEARING, IN ACCORDANCE WITH LAW, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER AINSWORTH. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH EIGHT (8) COMMISSIONERS PRESENT.

7. Action, discussion, and possible direction to staff regarding approval of funding in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 from the Regional Water Management Fund (RWMF) for an Interlocal Agreement (ILA) with Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency (TMRPA) for a “Shared Work Program” – Kim Rigdon (For Possible Action)

Ms. Rigdon presented the staff report. TMRPA and WRWC staff collaborate on multiple programmatic tasks which directly support the NNWPC and WRWC regional water planning activities. The TMRPA has submitted a scope of work and budget not to exceed \$50,000 for professional services related to mapping, web services and site hosting, minute transcripts, data management and modeling, population projections (Consensus Forecast), Regional Water Management Plan (RWMP) updates, and more recently the Natural Resources Plan.

COMMISSIONER DUERR MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE FUNDING, NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000 FROM THE RWMF FOR FY 2022-2023 FOR AN ILA WITH THE TMRPA FOR SERVICES OUTLINED IN THE TMRPA SHARED WORK PROGRAM PROPOSAL AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE TMRPA, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ABBOTT. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH EIGHT (8) COMMISSIONERS PRESENT.

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

The next WRWC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 15 at 8:30 a.m. The agenda will include multiple interlocal agreements for approval and a status report on the RWMP update.

9. Public Comment

None

10. Commission Comments

Commissioner Duerr discussed the importance of using Best Management Practices (BMPs) and expressed appreciation for the work the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) has done to take action on violations.

11. Staff Comments

Ms. Rigdon discussed the Exemplary Source Water Protection Award that was received from the American Water Works Association for the Truckee Meadows Water Authority's watershed and source water protection planning. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is using the Nevada framework as a national example for what they would like to see other communities do.

12. Adjournment (For Possible Action)

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by,
Christine Birmingham, Recording Secretary

Approved by Commission in session on _____ 2022.

Chair Vaughn Hartung

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