

CARSON-TRUCKEE WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

October 11, 2011

DIRECTORS:

Andre Aldax
Ernest Schank
Barbara Byington
Greg Dennis
John Capurro
Mike Nevin
Sal Quilici
Todd Westergard

OTHERS PRESENT:

Brian Casci, FWM office
Leo P. Bergin, Attorney

ABSENT:

Ron Penrose
Gwen Washburn

President Aldax called the Regular meeting of the Carson-Truckee Water Conservancy District to order at 10 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT

There being no corrections or deletions to the minutes and the Financial Statements for September. Director Schank moved to approve, seconded by Director Capurro. Motion carried.

FEDERAL WATERMASTER'S REPORT

Brian Casci gave the water report as follows: Floriston is down to 400 cfs. TMWA wants to release 100 cfs of their water out of Donner or Independence Lake for power generation. TCID Donner water is being released now, then will revert to TWMA water from Donner. Farad is at 586 cfs, Reno 424 cfs, Vista 488 cfs and Derby at 326 cfs. On Carson River; Gardnerville is 191 cfs, Woodfords 82 cfs, Carson City 257 cfs, Dayton 237 cfs and 247 cfs at Fort Churchill. Tahoe elevation is 6227.58 or 557,800 AF, Boca 31,186 AF, Stampede 204,176 AF, Prosser 14,861 AF, Donner 7041 AF and Lahontan 187,802 AF. Down to flood control at Boca and Stampede, Prosser will be down to flood control by the end of the month.

Director Schank stated that Lahontan is probably higher than it's ever been at this time of the year. Public Safety people are concerned; there is a possibility that releases may have to be made during the winter months. Lahontan is not authorized for flood control.

REVIEW CONTENTS OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL for Consulting/Engineer – SET UP SPECIFIC TIME AND DATE OF RETURN OF RFP -

The Board had been supplied a copy of the suggested RFP with additions and deletions. Director Byington asked about the paragraph beginning "The prospective consultants' proposal may include a delineation a the project team" need to correct to read "include a delineation of the project team".

Director Westergard stated the next to last paragraph needs to have "The field of candidates can

be narrowed” prior to Board meeting. Director Dennis wondered whether the City of Reno and/or Washoe County could help the District with consulting and permitting issues. Timeframe and possible conflict of interest was mentioned. Attorney Bergin stated it was more beneficial to have an independent third party in house Engineer. There was discussion with regards to exact criteria, number of pages of proposal. The date of submission should be inserted as: November 18th with review and presentation at December 13th meeting.

Director Westergard made a motion to approve draft Request for Proposals after corrections with a receipt date of November 18th for review and decision at the December 13th meeting, motion seconded by Director Nevin. Motion carried.

ESTABLISH COMMITTEE TO REVIEW RECEIPT OF RFP -

Director Schank stated we should use the existing committee, so they could short list and narrow the list to approximately three/four recommendations. Then one liaison from each consultant could be present at the December board meeting and be able to give a 10 minute presentation. The Board would make the final decision after presentations.

Director Dennis made a motion the selection committee would be: Ron Penrose, John Capurro, Greg Dennis and Gwyn Bergin. Motion seconded by Director Byington, motion carried.

ANNUAL AUDIT – Review Draft

Ms. Bergin was going to review the draft of the Annual Audit; however, same is not completed at this time. The new audit will be different then the last few years due to a new Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 54 mandates government wide financial statements of net assets and activities, which are presented on the measurement and accrual basis of accounting. Balance Sheet will show Fund Balances: Assigned and Unassigned funds

LEGAL REPORT – Leo P. Bergin

Nothing to report

ENGINEER REPORT – N/A

Director Capurro informed the Board a grant made to Western Nevada RC&D last year in order to develop two products; a website and map on the Truckee River was having problems. NRCS had eliminated all RC&D co-coordinators in the country. RC&D is still legal under 501.3c organization; their Board of Directors is at this time is trying to decide what work is going to be done without a full time coordinator. They do not want to give up on the project or the grant. Data and artwork still needs to be gathered so that the map and website can be completed. It was suggested they be invited back to the board with further information.

SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT

Mrs. Bergin presented the Financial Report as follows: Checks written on Bank of America # 9003 – 9011 and Nevada State Bank #2238 - 2242 for September as shown on Check Details in your file folders.

Director Schank moved to approve the Treasurer’s report and pay the bills previously paid and approve those yet to be paid. Seconded by Director Westergard, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

DIRECTORS REPORTS

Director Schank wants to suggest to the Committee with regards to the Engineering firm, ask who would be attending our meetings. Would like to make sure it's the same person.

TCID is now asking a local bank to make a proposal to take their LGIP funds and put the funds in a CD that meets all the state qualifications as far as protection is concerned. Interest at LGIP is about ½ percent and TCID has been offered 3 ½ percent. A 90 day CD which would definitely make more funds for the district.

Director Capurro mentioned that all things went well this year, no major problems with Ditch companies in Washoe County. Bureau of Reclamation is going to be increasing the height/crest of Stampede which will be raised thirteen feet. Increase from 10,000 year event to a 25,000 year event, concerned that liquefaction may cause the dam face to slump. This work could possibly begin next fall 2012. BOR is also looking at Boca Dam to raise the height and thickness due to safety matters. Preliminary reports are in process and will be done in the next 4 or 5 years. Cost would borne by Washoe County Water Conservation District for AG water and TMWA will be responsible for M&I. Director Schank asked if district had ever considered Electrical/power generation.

Director Nevin stated Austin Osborne will make a presentation at the November 8th meeting regarding the weed abatement in Six & Seven Mile canyon drainage, Gold Canyon, and American Flats areas.

Director Quilici informed the Board, Dayton Valley Conservation District has proposals out for three projects, permits are in place and will award at their next meeting. Each project will be bid separately; therefore, if projects do not run over the available funds they may be able to do all three. Actual work may not get accomplished this season due to height of river.

Director Westergard asked Director Nevin about the Marlette relationship with Storey County. There was discussion about Carson City taking over the operation of the Marlette system. Director Nevin stated that this had been nixed. The operation will stay status quo. Director Westergard wondered if anyone would be interested in touring the facility.

There being no further business President Aldax adjourned, next meeting will be Tuesday, November 8, 2011.

Andre Aldax,
President

Gwyndalyn S. Bergin,
Secretary/Treasurer