

# Yolo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District

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## AGENDA Board Meeting 34274 State Highway 16 Woodland, CA 95695 Tuesday, March 6, 2012 7:00 P.M.

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## AGENDA

- 7:00 1. Consideration: The Board will consider adoption of the minutes of the February 7, 2012 Regular Board Meeting.
- 7:02 2. Open forum (Limited to five minutes): Guest introductions, unscheduled appearances and opportunity for public comment on non-agenda items.
- 7:07 3. Consideration: Adding Items to the Posted Agenda.  
In order to add an item to the agenda, it must fit one of the following categories:  
a) A majority determination that an emergency (as defined by the Brown Act) exists; or  
b) A 4/5ths determination that the need to take action that arose subsequent to the agenda being posted.
- 7:10 4. Presentation: ACWA/JPIA
- 7:25 5. Consideration: Three year contract for Independent Auditor services.
- 7:30 6. Staff Report: Flow Measurement Program.
- 7:50 7. Staff Report: Indian Valley Hydroelectric Power Purchase Contract.
- 8:00 8. Directors' Reports: Each member of the Board will have the opportunity to report on meetings and conferences attended during the prior month on behalf of the District.

- 8:10 9. Attorney's Report: The District's attorney will report on the following:  
a) Current legal and legislative activities.
- 8:20 10. General Manager's Report: The Board will receive a report from the General Manager or designated representatives regarding current general activities and projects of the District.  
a) General Activities  
b) Operations, Maintenance and Water Conditions
- 8:35 11. General Discussion: Opportunity for Board members to ask questions for clarification, provide information to staff, request staff to report back on a matter, or direct staff to place a matter on a subsequent agenda.
- 8:40 12. Consideration: The Board will consider the approval and the payment of bills.
- 8:45 13. Adjourn

The public may address the Board concerning an agenda item either before or during the Board's consideration of that agenda item. Public comment on items within the Board's jurisdiction is welcome, subject to reasonable time limits for each speaker. Upon request, agenda items may be moved up to accommodate those in attendance wishing to address that item. Times listed for consideration of agenda items are approximate only. The Board may consider any agenda item at any time during the Board meeting.

I declare that the foregoing agenda was posted at the office of the Yolo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, 34274 State Highway 16, Woodland, CA on March 2, 2012.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Christina Cobey, Administrative Assistant



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## **BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**Tuesday, March 6, 2012, 7:00 PM**

**YCFCWCD Offices  
34274 State Highway 16  
Woodland, CA 95695**

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The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Yolo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District was held at 7:00 p.m. on March 6, 2012 at its regular place of business, 34274 State Highway 16, Woodland, California. Chair Mayer convened the meeting. In attendance were:

District Board

James Mayer, Chair  
Erik Vink, Vice Chair  
Ann Brice  
Bruce Rominger  
Ron Tadlock

District Staff

Tim O'Halloran, General Manager  
Christy Barton, Assistant General Manager  
Tim Ireland, Water Resources Technician  
Jen Reed, Project Manager  
Max Stevenson, Water Resources Associate  
Ryan Bezerra, Legal Counsel

Members of the Public

Duane Chamberlain  
Dave Pratt  
Don Rominger  
Rod Schaeffer

**1. CONSIDERATION: Approval of Minutes**

M/S/C approved the minutes of the February 7, 2012 Regular Board Meeting as submitted.

**2. OPEN FORUM**

None

**3. CONSIDERATION: Adding Items to the Posted Agenda**

None

**4. PRESENTATION: ACWA/JPIA**

Item 4 was postponed because the ACWA/JPIA representatives had not arrived.

**5. CONSIDERATION: Three year contract for independent Auditor services.**

General Manager O'Halloran reviewed the District's policy regarding not using the same independent auditor for more than three consecutive years. Due to that policy and the prior auditor's completion of three audits, Financial Supervisor McGriff solicited proposals for a three year contract from twelve qualified firms. O'Halloran reviewed the spreadsheet which summarized the responses received.

M/S/C accepted the low bid of Smith & Newell for a three year contract as independent auditor with the stipulation that the District can void the contract after the first year if the District is dissatisfied with the auditor.

**4. PRESENTATION: ACWA/JPIA**

Assistant General Manager Barton introduced Association of California Water Agencies/Joint Powers Insurance Agency (JPIA) Executive Officer Andy Sells. Mr. Sells had requested an opportunity to address the Board and provide a brief update on the status of the organization and its programs.

Sells introduced Lou Reinkens of Tahoe City Public Utilities District, a member of the JPIA's Executive Committee. Sells presented the Board with a check for \$46,767.21 as a refund due from the JPIA.

Sells reported on the history, structure, composition and purpose of the JPIA, which is a public non-profit agency. He reviewed the three primary programs of Liability, Property and Workers' Compensation and some of the unique coverages available through the programs, and the various training and other support activities that the JPIA provides to its member agencies.

Sells distributed a spreadsheet to assist in the explanation of how the premiums and experience modifications to the premiums are determined, explained how those programs work together and why the District received the refund check.

## **6. STAFF REPORT: Flow Measurement Program.**

General Manager O'Halloran provided an update on SBX7-7 and its requirements. He reported on issues with California's Department of Water Resources (DWR) proposed regulations that will need to be addressed prior to implementation. The regulation should be approved this spring with compliance expected by the end of 2012.

Water Resources Technician Ireland provided a slide show that included an historical overview of the water measurement activities within the District, how various types of measuring devices work, and a new device (SonTek IQ Sensor). He reported that the new device will be used to measure the flows of the Winters and West Adams Canals, and explained how it differs from and why it is more accurate than prior methods used.

## **7. STAFF REPORT: Indian Valley Hydroelectric Power Purchase Contract.**

General Manager O'Halloran provided a review of the potential Feed in Tariff (FIT) and Qualified Facility (QF) rate schedules and ongoing discussions with Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) and the California Independent System Operator (ISO). He reported that the new scheduling requirements need to be clarified, but they are included in all options. At this time the District is proceeding on the basis of acquiring a FIT contract, investigating associated costs and other options.

O'Halloran reported that until the issues associated with the District Power Purchase Agreement can be settled and evaluated, the plans to refurbish Indian Valley Unit #3 will be put on hold.

## **8. DIRECTORS' REPORTS**

Chair Mayer reported that he and Director Brice had been on a tour with General Manager O'Halloran and suggested each Director would benefit from a similar tour. O'Halloran reported that the tour was of the Winters Canal showing the status of the District's infrastructure when the canal was empty and issues are more clearly observed.

Chair Mayer requested a volunteer from the Board to serve as a representative to the City of Davis Oversight Committee regarding the dissolving of the Davis Redevelopment Agency.

Director Vink agreed to serve on the Davis Oversight Committee.

Assistant General Manager Barton explained how the redevelopment agencies within the District impact the District. There are redevelopment agencies impacting the District in Davis, Winters and Woodland.

## **9. ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

Legal Counsel Bezerra provided an update regarding the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) and the Bay Delta. SWRCB staff intends to adopt a plan regulating outflow by June 2013. He is working with the Northern California Water Association (NCWA) to respond to the draft staff report. Bezerra reported on the status of HR 1837 and the work of NCWA to modify the bill to reduce the impact on Sacramento Valley water interests.

## **10. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

General Manager O'Halloran reported on the following items:

- a) General Activities
  - 1) The April Board meeting will include a public hearing related to the proposed revised rate schedule.
  - 2) The Lake County Water Protection Agency has requested a joint Board meeting with the District sometime in April. Two items mentioned for discussion were Quagga Mussels and Lake County's water appropriation application.
  - 3) Escrow has closed on the Forbes property. District staff will pursue grant opportunities to develop a multi-benefit pond.
  
- b) Operations, Maintenance & Water Conditions
  - 1) The water conditions report was available at the sign-in table.
  - 2) Staff has met to review the processes used during times of allocation.
  - 3) Water applications are due March 15, 2012 and customers have been provided with an estimate of 1.4 acre-feet per acre allocation.
  - 4) A lot of work is being done during this dry winter including a good number of small capital projects.

## **11. GENERAL DISCUSSION**

None

## **12. CONSIDERATION: Payment of Bills**

M/S/C approval for the following claim(s) for payment:

Yolo County Flood Control Checks: # 46769-46782

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

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James P. Mayer, Chair

ATTEST:

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Tim O'Halloran, Secretary