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HENK GRIFFIN  
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MIKE CUTTONE, ASSISTANT TREASURER  
BRIAN EHLERS, DISTRICT ENGINEER  
FRANK SPLENDORIO, LEGAL COUNSEL

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors  
Root Creek Water District  
held on  
July 8, 2024**

**1. Call to Order**

The board meeting for the Root Creek Water District (RCWD) was called to order at 11:03 a.m. by President Nick Bruno. Board members present were Nick Bruno, Jeffrey Coulthard, Shannon Simonian, Mike DelaGuerra, Eric Bream, Matthew Cerniglia, and Henk Griffin. Members of the public included Julia Stornetta, Al Solis, Steve Spencer, Brian Ehlers, Steve Pickens, and Frank Splendorio.

**2. Public Comment**

The district received no public comment.

**3. Potential Conflicts of interest**

There were no potential conflicts of interest identified.

**4. Consent Calendar**

A motion was made by Director Griffin, seconded by Director Cerniglia to approve the minutes from the June 10, 2024, Board Meeting, the minutes of the Special Board Meeting held on June 20, 2024, the minutes from the Special Board Meeting on July 1, 2024 and to accept the May 2024 financials. The motion carried.

**5. Correspondence**

There was no correspondence.

**6. Board Action Items**

- a. **Basin Maintenance** – Director DelaGuerra made a motion, seconded by Director Cerniglia, to enter into an agreement with the apparent low bidder, EMTS, Inc. for basin maintenance, in the amount of \$14,560.00 and make a budget adjustment to *Repairs and Maintenance Budget Line Item 540.02-4*. The motion carried.
- b. **Accounting Services** – Director Simonian made a motion, seconded by Director DelaGuerra, to approve an agreement in the amount of \$9,690 monthly for the period of July 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024, with Cuttone and Mastro, Certified Public Accountants, amend the budget as needed. *Budget Line Item 620.01-2,3,4,5, a portion thereof (50% funded by connection fees)*. The motion carried.

- c. **Dissolution of Ad Hoc Committees** Director Coulthard made a motion, seconded by Director Griffin, to dissolve the following District ad hoc committees: Water Supply and Utilization Committee, Governance Committee, and the Budget Committee. The motion carried.
- d. **Infrastructure Facilities Policy** – Director Griffin made a motion, seconded by Director Simonian, to adopt an amended policy. The motion carried.

**7. District Engineers Report**

The District Engineer reported that all of the plans that have been reviewed by Provost & Pritchard for Village C are forthcoming. Well 5 tank – updated plans for modifications to Well 1 and Storage Tank. Well 1 – related to programming prior to the new treatment facility comes online. Scope for Ultimate Treatment Plant on Avenue 10 – Madera County requested Biological Review.

**8. Legal Counsel Report**

Begins January 1, 2025: Legislation enacted in 2018 – applies to water systems with 3,000 connections. The objectives for aggregate water usage - urban water use objection – by January 2025, annual reporting will be required. By January 2027, Must reach your urban water use objective.

AB2079 – Would have been imposed on GSA’s to gather specific information before approving/denying a permit. This bill did die.

Levine Act – Effective January 2024 – Any campaign contributions over \$250, Board members must recuse themselves while any matter is pending; and 12 months after no contributions allowed unless under \$250.

**9. District Manager’s Report**

There were 51 building permits pulled in the month of May and 39 escrow closings reported by builders in Riverstone.

Potentially change the date of the monthly Board meeting to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of every month.

Elections

Providing 300gpm of water to SJRR.

Dedications – Research warranty issue

**10. Closed Session**

There were no reportable actions from the Closed Session.

**11. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned unanimously at 12:13 pm.



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Julia D. Stornetta, District Secretary