

TRANQUILLITY PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

PO BOX 622
TRANQUILLITY, CA 93668

2021/2022 Minutes

February 21, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 pm by Mike Pucheu at 5586 James Road, Tranquillity, CA 93668.

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Mike Pucheu	Board Chairman/Secretary	Present
Jo Ann Minnite	Board Member	Present
Gary Minnite	Welcome New Board Member	Present
Laurie Siliznoff	District Secretary	Present, by phone

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mike made a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting. There was a second by Jo Ann, and the motion passed unanimously.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA – None

PUBLIC COMMENTS – No comments

OLD BUSINESS

Rental of Farm ground – It was agreed that the lease will be for 3 years. Chris will sign and send back for records.

ARPA Grant – Because Laurie's time is consumed with copying records subpoenaed by attorney Cook for the Garcia's she will not have time to apply for the ARPA grant. A motion by Mike to let am Consulting Engineer's file the grant application with the stipulation that it would take Lakshmi two days with a not to exceed \$1,500 and if Lakshmi needs Laurie's help, she will be available. There was a second by Gary and the motion carried unanimously.

Storing of Records – Due to the ongoing lawsuit Valdez vs Garcia, attorney Larry Westerlund advised that our records should be stored in a single location. District Secretary provided the board with a few options. Currently StoreMax in Kerman has one 5' x 5' unit available for \$50.00/month. They will hold until February 2, 2022 which has since expired. A second option is the electronic storage of data through Valley Document Solutions, they have quoted a price of 0.085/page with an estimated total of \$2,621.63. With this option, most of our paper records could be disposed of. At this time, the board will consider the two options.

Repairs on Juanche – Faysal Construction is waiting for the compaction report and once they receive it they will invoice us. Mike made a motion that we wait for his invoice and Gary seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Move elections to even years – we must follow protocol as far as moving our election year to even years. We have considered moving to even years tonight. Our attorney Larry Westerlund is drawing up a Resolution for next month's meeting and all are agreed.

County billing – It is possible to have Fresno County charge customers on a yearly basis. At this time the board will consider it but make no permanent decision.

Secretary Report

Laurie attended a 3-hour Kings River Quality Coalition Webinar and filled out the required INMP Report. She also contacted Chris Johnson to make sure he was aware that the report needed to be filed.

Laurie has been putting in extra hours copying the subpoenaed records by Attorney Cook for the Valdez vs Garcia lawsuit.

Laurie has also been working with Sampson & Sampson to complete the yearly audit so that it is done in time for our active pursuit of the Clean Water State Revolving Fund Grant as well as the ARPA Funds grant.

Treasury Report

Fresno Co. 4650 - \$114,871.07, 4000-A\$13,207092 = \$128,078.99

United Security –

\$11,882.29

January expenses - \$8,970.34

Sewer Fees deposit - \$8,970.34

ADJOURNMENT

Mike made a motion to adjourn the meeting 6:24 p.m. There was a second by Jo Ann and the motion passed unanimously.

Closed Session

The board went into executive session to discuss customer overpayment. It was decided to refund customer for their overpayment for the past three years of payment at \$25/month to be offset against the new rate of \$37.95/month.

Adjournment – Mike made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6.43. There was a second by Jo Ann and the meeting was adjourned.