

FINAL MINUTES  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
JULY 14, 2022

**Anderson-Cottonwood Irrigation District**

*Brenda Haynes, President*

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*Tiger Michiels, Director*

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*Ray Eliante, Director*

*Terri White, CFO/Acting GM*

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*Rick Williams, Director*

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President Haynes called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Directors present: Michiels, Haynes, Eliante, Butcher, Williams  
Directors absent: None  
Staff present: Loffmark, White, Duncan  
Staff present via phone: None

**2. DISCUSSIONS**

**2.1 Lease or Purchase of new Office Copier**

It was agreed to table the conversation until the August Board Meeting.

**3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Jennifer Meda would like answers from the questions she asked at the June 9<sup>th</sup> meeting. Asked who owns our water rights? Who changed water allocation to 18% and on who's authority. Requesting mediation per the contract or can the Board ask for mediation for the customers.

Steve McCarley requests for the Board meeting to be made at a later time in the evening to allow for those that work to come and have maximum public participation. Wants to know where the \$7.5 million ACID was spent. What is the best course of action for customers and can ACID's attorney fight the battle for mediation? Why was no Environmental Impact Report done?

Bill Gregory stated ACID is to deliver water not sell it. If no water, why a big payroll at the District. ACID made a big mistake not diverting water.

Laurie Shaw asked for a town hall meeting and would like to see someone from the Water Association and Bureau of Reclamation attend.

Debbie Fleur stated she has no water and has lost half her vegetable crop. Oaks losing leaves. Well has run dry as ACID feeds the aquifer. Need the Environmental Impact Report. Where did the \$7 million go?

Ed Roberts desired the groups lawyer's willingness to work with ACID and its legal team.

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Jennifer Doolittle showed pictures of her land and asked for help.

Tony Pochop talked in regards to no dry ditches in over 80 years. Stated in 1977 the lake was at 230-million-acre feet and received water. This year only 100 feet less, why no water?

**4. CONSENT AGENDA**

- 4.1 Minutes – Approved the Minutes of the Special Meeting June 13, 2022, the Minutes of the Special Meeting June 23, 2022, the Minutes of the Special Meeting June 28, 2022, and the Minutes of the Special Meeting July 5, 2022.
- 4.2 Approved Financial Status report for Year-to-Date Through June 2022.
- 4.3 Payroll: Approved Payroll Check Register for the Month of June 2022.
- 4.4 EFTPS & ACH Transactions – Approved EFTPS & ACH transactions for the Payroll Periods Ending May 31, 2022 and June 15, 2022.
- 4.5 Voided and/or missing checks for June 2022.

Vice President Butcher moved to approve the Consent Agenda; Director Michiels made the second with a 5-0 vote.

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

**5. ACTION ITEMS**

- 5.1 Consider approval of the Final Cash Disbursements Journal for June 2022

Director Eliante moved to approve the Cash Disbursements Journal; Vice President Butcher made the second with a 5-0 vote.

- 5.2 Consider Approval of Temporary CFO/Acting General Manager Employment Agreement with Terri White.

Director Williams moved to approve the temporary employment agreement; Director Michiels made the second with a 5-0 vote.

- 5.3 Consider Approval of Temporary Operations Manager Employment Agreement with Ben Duncan.

Director Michiels moved to approve the temporary employment agreement; Director Williams made the second with a 5-0 vote.

**6. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

Acting GM White gave an overview of the General Manager's Report and answered questions from the Board.

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It was the consensus of the Board to hold a special meeting at a later date to approve pipe purchase, bids for vegetation management, employee advertising, and NRCS projects.

**7. DIRECTORS REPORTS**

- President Haynes – None.
- Vice President Butcher – None.
- Director Eliante asked if valves for Cottonwood had been delivered from Briggs to which the answer was yes.
- Director Michiels enquired about Olney Creek project and stated he would like to talk with Holly Dawley.
- Director Williams has a meeting with a James Boyd regarding issues on his ditch.

President Haynes announced the closed session. The meeting was adjourned to a short recess at 2:50 p.m.

**CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT**

President Haynes announced that the Board of Directors would recess to a Closed Session to take the following actions:

**C.S.1 CLOSED SESSION CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION.** (Paragraph (1) of Subdivision (d) of Government Code Section §54956.9)

Name of Cases:

- I. PCFFA v. Raimondo (USDC E.D. Cal. Case No. 1:20-cv-00431-DAD-EPG);
- II. CNRA v. Raimondo (USDC E.D. Cal. Case No. 1:20-cv-00426-DAD-EPG) [2019 BiOps Lawsuits]

**C.S.2 CLOSED SESSION CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION.** Significant Exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) or (3) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9. One Case.

**C.S.3 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR**

(GOVERNMENT CODE §54957.6(a)) District Personnel Committee in Regard to Collective Bargaining Agreement with Teamsters Local #137. District's Labor Negotiator: Board President Brenda Haynes, Board Member Ray Eliante

**C.S.4 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE EMPLOYMENT AND/OR PERFORMANCE EVALUATION**

(Government Code Section §54957)  
Title: Operations Manager

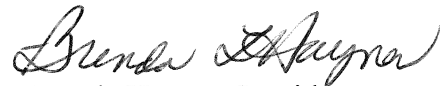
The Board of Directors returned from Closed Session and reconvened in Open Session with Directors Haynes, Butcher, Michiels, Williams, and Eliante present at 4:38 p.m.

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**REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS**

President Haynes reported that the Board of Directors met in Closed Session to discuss anticipated litigation and labor negotiations. There was no other reportable action.

The Board of Directors adjourned at 4:40 p.m.



Brenda Haynes, President