

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
NORTH YUBA WATER DISTRICT  
Held at the District Office and Zoom  
8691 LaPorte Road, Brownsville  
Thursday, May 28, 2024**

NYWD boardroom is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: NYWD Boardroom's Zoom Meeting  
Time: May 28, 2024 05:30 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

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**A. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

President Furnee called the meeting to order at 5:31 PM, at the District Office in Brownsville, CA.

<i>NAME</i>	<i>PRESENT</i>	<i>ABSENT</i>	<i>VISITORS INCLUDING:</i>
<i>PRESIDENT</i>	Marieke Furnee		Steven D., Erin, Mr.
<i>VICE PRESIDENT</i>	Ann Plumb		Hickman, Kawanza Vinje,
<i>DIRECTORS:</i>	Gloria Bozza		Charles Sharp, Donna
	Steven Ronneberg		Corson, John Messick
	Mike Mayo		
<i>GENERAL MANGER</i>	Leona Harris		
<i>ATTORNEY</i>	Paul Boylan		

**B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Director Bozza led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**C. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON AGENDIZED ITEMS:**

The public has the opportunity to address the District Board of Directors about matters not on the agenda. Public comment is limited to no more than four (4) minutes per person, twenty (20) minutes total for all speakers. **NOTE: ALL PUBLIC PARTICIPANTS WILL BE MUTED UPON ENTRY INTO THE MEETING AND WILL ONLY BE UNMUTED TO ALLOW THEIR COMMENT. TO PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENT BY TELECONFERENCE PRESS \*9.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Comments from Members of the Public included good participation of local residents, selling district water is not beneficial use, suggestion of collaboration between the fire department and the water district, Board is doing a lot for the community, claim for damages submitted to attorney and expansion of water flow would benefit community and local produce.

**D. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT – Topics on the Agenda**

Members of the public may address the Board concerning any item on the agenda. No other comments will be allowed. Any member of the public wishing to make comment shall identify the agenda item they intend to address, and they will be provided an opportunity to make comment on that item only. Public comment is limited to no more than two (4) minutes per person, twenty (20) minutes total for all speakers. **NOTE: ALL PUBLIC PARTICIPANTS WILL BE MUTED UPON ENTRY INTO THE MEETING AND WILL ONLY BE UNMUTED TO ALLOW THEIR COMMENT. TO PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENT BY TELECONFERENCE PRESS \*9.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** No comments.

**OPEN SESSION CALENDAR**

**E. CONSENT ITEMS:**

1. Approval of Minutes for Regular Board Meeting of April 25, 2024
2. Approval of Payroll for the Month of April 2024: \$45,911.15
3. Approval of Bills for the Month of April 2024, \$677,204.52

**Director Mayo made a motion to approve consent items 1,2 and 3. President Furnee seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a unanimous vote.**

**F. JACKIE SILLMAN, YWA will present and deliver water conservation kits to NYWD to distribute to their customers.**

Jackie Sillman of YWA presented a video to the board regarding the water conservation kits which will be distributed free of charge. 200 kits will be distributed to North Yuba Water District customers. Jackie will follow up with the office staff in four months regarding data.

**G. BUDGET 2024/25:**

**President Furnee made a motion to accept the 2024/2025 Budget. Vice President Plumb seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a unanimous vote.**

**H. PROPOSAL FOR PAINTING OF 4 DOMESTIC WATER TANKS: The General Manager is asking for approval to move forward with painting of 4 District water tanks.**

District Manager Leona Harris reported to the Board that two additional companies were contacted (Jeffco and ABC Painting) with neither responding with a quote. The warrantee information is attached to the original quote. Leona also reported that she was able to speak to Sherman Williams personally at the conference and was reassured of price and correct choice of paint.

**Director Bozza made a motion to approve the quote presented at the last meeting for the painting of 4 District water tanks by Techno Coatings Inc. President Furnee seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a unanimous vote.**

- I. **STAFF REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATION:** The Board will hear reports by Districts staff and receive their recommendations for future Board action, including but not necessarily limited to:

**Financial Manager's Report:**

Review of Cash on Hand and Income Statements for the period ending January 22, 2024, to April 30, 2024

Heidi Naether read the financial report. Cash on Hand and Income Statements for the period ending April 30, 2024. Total cash on hand in all accounts including reserves was \$4,875,865.87. Total income for the fiscal year to date (July 01, 2023 – April 30, 2024) was \$3,272,278.51. Total expenses were \$1,566,589.85, leaving a net revenue over expenses of \$1,705,688.66. Expenses out of Reserves/Savings year to date totaled \$1,735,969.90. Heidi reported that some grants had been received from Yuba Water Agency so the expenses out of reserves were lower.

**General Manager's Report/Requests:**

1. The General Manager will update the board on District operations, including the status of an Operations Memorandum.

President Furnee asked about the amount of CFS going into the Dobbins Oregon House Canal. Leona did not have those numbers at this time, but reported that it is less than previously. She will provide them at the next meeting. Leona also reported that over 4000 feet of Shot Crete on the Ditches was completed which is over 10 percent. Gannett Flemming will be coming out to access the ditches and how to move forward to increase capacity.

2. The District Manager will discuss and possibly ask the Board to act on a Sponsorship for the Mountain Fair.

Leona asked the Board to approve a sponsorship of \$100 for the Mountain Fair to get more involved in the community.

**President Furnee made a motion to sponsor the \$100 for the Mountain Fair. Director Ronnenberg seconded the motion. Director. The motion was approved with a unanimous vote with Director Mayo recusing himself.**

**Legal Counsel's Report:**

Paul Boylan, District Legal Counsel addressed rumors of water being sold outside District boundaries after the passing of a recent policy which the water expert recommended to allow the District to benefit from water that is being saved. There are no plans to sell water at this time and this cannot be done without Board approval.

**CLOSED SESSION**

The Board entered into closed session at 6:12 P.M.

- J. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL -Anticipated litigation (3 cases) – pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9, subdivision (d), paragraph (2) significant exposure to litigation.** The Board will meet in closed session to discuss two anticipated/potential legal actions.
- K. **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS:** NYWD designated representative: General Manager Leona Harris. Employee organization: United Public Employees of California, Local 792.

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

The Board returned to open session at 6:29 P.M.

**L. REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS:**

For Item J. Met with counsel and gave direction.

For item K. Met with negotiator and gave instruction.

**M. DIRECTORS REPORTS:**

President Furnee reported that the Aqua Conference in Sacramento was a success. She and Leona had a fantastic time with good networking and informative classes. They are excited to attend again. President Furnee invited the Board to attend the next conference which is included in the budget.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 P.M.**

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Cath L. Fonseca". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "C".