

Minutes of the Board Meeting of the
TRUCKEE-CARSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT
Regular Session
June 7, 2007

The Board of Directors of the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District, in the Counties of Churchill and Lyon, State of Nevada, met in regular session at the offices of the District, 2666 Harrigan Road, Fallon, Nevada on Thursday, June 7, 2007.

Call to Order, Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance

President, Ernest C. Schank called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m. in compliance with NRS Chapter 241. The following Directors were present constituting a quorum:

Present:	Ernest C. Schank Richard Harriman Ray Peterson Larry Miller Lester deBraga Don Travis	President Vice President, Arrived at 9:35a.m. Secretary Director Treasurer Director
Others Present:	Dave Overvold	Project Manager
Absent:	Jerry Blodgett	Director

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Paula Bailey.

Resolution

A **motion** was made by **Director Lester deBraga** to spread across the TCID Board Meeting Minutes congratulations to **Ray A. Peterson, Jr.**, TCID Board of Director's Secretary, born on Monday, June 4, 1927, for having reached 80 years of age seconded by **Director Larry Miller** and unanimously approved.

Supervisors Reports

Kelly Cecil, Hydro Foreman

Kelly reported on the hydro department readings as follows:

Location	KWs
26' Drop	450 KW
New Power Plant	2,700 KW
Old Power Plant	1,200 KW
TOTAL:	4,350 KW

Kelly reported that John Cokeley is currently working on the new power plant and the Gilpin Spill. One of the screens has a ripped belt that will be repaired.

Kelly also reported on last month's trespass incident at the Lahontan Dam. There have been 5 individuals arrested and Kelly filled out reports necessary to prosecute them for trespass. They were five navy personnel, one of which went out on the catwalk on the second level of the dam. This is very dangerous.

Walter Winder, O&M Foreman

Walter reported that the long reach is cleaning on the Harrigan Road job. The short reach is on the Rogers Road job, which is two-thirds complete. They have moved out of the 24” pipe and are into the 18” pipe and are making it approximately 200’ per day. The drott is on the TC4 in Fernley removing the collapsed bridge on the TC4 then removing abandoned pipe on Cottonwood Lane.

The team is striping the house for the automation of the LC3. There are leaky gates and the team continues to work on these throughout the season. Walter would like to see the county get what they wanted out of this project, which is to be able to put the access road. The land owners were notified prior to any fencing being disturbed on Rogers Road. Dave Overvold, Project Manager feels that if the District would like to narrow the easement along Rogers Road and allow the county to use more of the easement they would need to go through the process of a public hearing. The Board believed that there had been a motion previously made requiring the county to secure the underlying easement prior to moving ahead on any future projects. This will be further researched to verify policy.

Walter also requested a temp be hired until the Rogers Road job is complete. The first weed control temp has quit.

A **motion** was made by **Director Don Travis** to approve hiring a temp for the O&M team seconded by **Director Lester deBraga** and unanimously approved.

Brian Baley, Water Master

Brian reported the following water storage levels data:

Lahontan Elevation	4,155.12	Feet
Lahontan Storage	216,800	Acre Feet
Lahontan Out Flow	684	CFS
Carson River Flow At Fort Churchill	117	CFS
Truckee River Flow At Vista	329	CFS
Truckee Canal Flow At Wadsworth	126	CFS
Truckee Canal At Hazen (Bango)	148	CFS
Truckee River Below Derby Dam	123	CFS
Spilling At Gilpin Approximately	5	CFS

Diverted Last Month	<u>40,709 AF</u>
Delivered Last Month:	<u>25,520.50 AF</u>
Efficiency Last Month:	<u>62.7%</u>

John Baker, Water Master

John indicated that the water at the S5 check is at a high level. The water is going over the S3. John had the ditch rider pull some boards. The automation was working but could not handle the pressure of the water level.

Dave indicated that there is always room for improvement.

Brian Baley inquired about the new procedures for printing water orders on Fridays. **Dave** confirmed that the new procedures include printing and handing out the orders at 3:00 p.m. and continuing to take orders. A summary of those orders taken between 3:00 and 4:30 p.m. will be handed out, as well, and taken care of just as though they had been received at the 3:00 p.m. printing.

Director Lester deBraga questioned the Water Masters on the number of recent incidents where water has leaked or been lost. He indicated that he did not believe the ditch riders were being quite as diligent as they should be. **John Baker** stated that there had been an incident the other evening

between several ditch riders. One accused the other of not holding up his end of the job causing the other to have to check everything when he takes over the shift. John said that this is correct. When there is a shift change, the ditch rider who is taking over should make sure everything is running the way it supposed to be and take over from there. When a ditch rider takes over a shift he should take care of the items that need immediate attention. Then, do a check on the rest of his district to make sure that all is well.

Ted Renfroe, Shop Foreman

Ted reported that there were many district vehicles out of commission. The long reach and short reach will be in the shop soon. The John Deere will also be arriving at the shop from Carson Lake Pasture. One of the spray trucks is having the transmission worked on and one drott is in the shop. The shop has also been working on the 10-wheelers.

Welders have been out in the field working on handrails. They just completed the Miller Lane job. Next week they will be working at the LC-3, getting the roof and door installed. Mike Adams will then begin automation. The Truckee Canal parts have arrived and the repair will begin as soon as priority work has been completed.

Ted visited the State Purchasing Yard and looked at a 1991 International 10-wheeler dump truck he would like to purchase. It has 219,000 miles on it and is selling for \$6,000. If the purchase of this vehicle is approved by the Board, Ted would then like to put vehicle #318, a Ford dump truck, up for sale for \$10,000.

A **motion** was made by **Director Don Travis** to approve having Ted Renfroe purchase the dump truck from State Purchasing and sell vehicle #318 with any reserve being put into the equipment fund seconded by **Director Ray Peterson** and unanimously approved.

Review/Approve May 2007 Disbursements

A **motion** was made by **Director Richard Harriman** to approve the May 2007 disbursements for the New Lahontan Hydro Power Plant paid prior to Board approval and unpaid seconded by **Director Ray Peterson** and unanimously approved.

A **motion** was made by **Director Larry Miller** to approve the May 2007 general disbursements paid prior to Board approval and to pay the unpaid bills seconded by **Director Lester deBraga** and unanimously approved.

Supervisors were excused at 9:55 a.m.

United States Fish & Wildlife Service

Mr. Goddard started out by reporting on the Navy affluent they have been working on. They started working with the Navy about three years ago to receive their discharge water. It would be considered a source of wetlands water and the water rights acquisition plan IES. The Navy has been discharging for several years into the Newlands Project drains without authority to do so. So about three years ago the USFWS approached the Navy with the solution that the USFWS would acquire a secondary permit from the state engineer and take ownership of the water that comes out of their plant before it goes into the Newlands Project drains. The BOR has a policy that prohibits non-project water going into their facility, so technically the Navy is in violation of this policy. This year the Navy is renewing their discharge and sewage plant permit with the Department of Environmental Protection and BOR became aware of the Naval Air Station discharging into the drains so the USFWS stepped back in and spoke with the Navy about acquiring that affluent for wetlands and negotiations have begun on the procedure for the USFWS getting a secondary permit. The primary permit belongs to the Navy from the state engineer to discharge that water. The USFWS has the authority under the wetlands water rights acquisition program to discharge into the drains. The USFWS is now working with the Bureau and would like to use this model to start working in the future with the City of Fallon and Churchill County to

try and acquire their affluent. The permits will not allow the USFWS to call on the water but they will accept whatever volume comes out of the plant. If the Navy decides they want to use their affluent in the future, then they would be free to do this. In the winter time the USFWS may want to sit down with the District to see if there is some way for the Nave affluent to be diverted into Carson Lake, etc. In the summer time Mr. Goddard is aware that there is no way to separate this water out.

President, Ernie Schank indicated that he thought the City of Fallon already had a permit to discharge into the District drains. The quality of this water is regulated by the NDEP.

Mr. Goddard believes that this is a good solution for everyone involved and will save the USFWS from having to purchase water rights as this water will count toward the wetlands.

Mr. Goddard asked the Board if they had responded to Mr. Fred Disheroon's letter to Tracy Taylor, Federal Water Master. **President Ernie Schank** responded by saying that he felt the Board wanted to respond to the letter and would speak with the District's attorney prior to doing so. **Mike** stated that Mr. Disheroon's letter is a great step forward in getting the Department of Justice interested in what is going on upriver and protecting the federal interest in the Newlands Project water supply. As a water right owner in the Newlands Project, Mr. Goddard is very happy to step up and help protect the water supply. **President Ernie Schank** stated that he does not believe it is in the best interest of the District to promote upstream on the Carson what has been done to this area for the past 30 years. He does not believe it promotes a good neighborhood. **Mr. Goddard** then stated that he did not believe that this was the aim of this effort or the letter. He thinks it is meant to force that state engineer to recognize that we need more information upstream on the changes that are occurring and the conjunctive use of ground water and surface water may have impacts to the Newlands Project water supply. He does not believe the Department of Justice will go in and try to regulate. The Board disagrees.

Mike then handed out a wetland update on the refuge. They are holding 3,000 of wetlands in the Stillwater area out of 5,200 available. The hunting area has 8,000 acres out 15,000 acres holding a total of 11,105 acres out on the refuse. The Carson Sink still has 50,000 AF of water at the depth of 8". The Humboldt Sink should be dry by August.

Dave Overvold, Project Manager indicated to Mike that there looks like the S-T69 gate is locked. It looks like there is water running underneath the gate and that it has been locked so that it will not close completely. Mike indicated that he did not know who was responsible for this and did not believe that it was any of his staff. **Director Lester deBraga** would like the ditch rider GPS units checked to confirm whether or not any of the ditch riders have been in the area during the time of the vandalism.

Mr. Goddard asked that if the District had decided to use magnacide within the boundaries of the refuge that the District works closely with him because of strict requirements of the refuge.

Review/Approve May 2007 Director's Compensation

Ernest C. Schank	\$322.45
Richard Harriman	\$200.00
Ray Peterson	\$160.00
Larry Miller	\$80.00
Jerry Blodgett	\$
Lester deBraga	\$105.00
Don Travis	\$120.00

A **motion** was made by **Director Lester deBraga** to pay the May 2007 Directors Compensation seconded by **Director Larry Miller** and unanimously approved.

Natural Resources Conservation Services

Mr. Craig McKnight reported that as of June 1, 2007 the NRCS has signed 31 contracts for just over \$1 million here in Churchill County. He also reported to the Board that June 30, 2007 was the cut off date for next years new contracts to be submitted. He also reported that the ditch policy with the District is working very well.

Review/Approve May 2007 Regular Session Board Minutes

A **motion** was made by **Director Richard Harriman** to approve the May 7, 2007 Regular Session Board Minutes seconded by **Director Lester deBraga** and unanimously approved.

Dave Overvold, Project Manager informed the Board that the number of rings on the new cellular phones. There are now six rings prior to the call being picked up by voicemail.

Review/Approve Water Measurement Program

Dave Overvold, Project Manager reported that he had met with Betsy Reike of the Bureau and reviewed the current plan. The District will need to install 29 new stations to complete the requirements as set by the Water Measurement Program. The sites have been identified at the head gates of laterals which vary a bit from the original plan. There are only a few sites that the measuring devices will not work, as they are too flat.

President Ernie Schank stated that one of Dave's assignments is to review the sites. **Attachment #1** of the plan includes sites that have already been approved as a part of the program. **Attachment #2** includes sites that require Dave to write a narrative as to whether or not it is a site that the District would like to have and if there are any concerns. As soon as the concerns are met, the sites will then be included in Attachment #1, as approved. **Attachment #3** includes proposed sites. Some of the proposed sites have already been installed. The A5 already has a steel plate and A9 has been completed. The S3 has been designed but has not yet been installed. **Director Larry Miller** informed that he is getting a good amount of water with the meter installed. Prior to having the meter he was being overcharged according to the meter readings. He is happy with the new meter and believes that it will save him water. Larry's field times are identical to what they were without the metering device installed and he is being charged less due to the accuracy of the meters. **Dave** stated that the greatest feature of the metering device is that if there is a drop in the water, you will not be charged for that drop should something happen in the main canal. **Director Miller** believes that the A24 may need to be modified because the water is running over the structure when the canal is backed up and some bank work may be necessary.

Dave said that the structures with steel plates in them have plenty of fall. The one disadvantage is that the steel plate does not take into account velocity range very well, which results in less accuracy, but fairly good compensations can be made.

They have come to agreement on an arbitrator should any disputes arise. Betsy Reike and President Ernie Schank will settle all disputes.

On page 4 of the plan it states that all District money must to be committed to installing the measuring devices, which is inaccurate. The Bureau has agreed that not all funds had to be committed to installation only.

Director Ray Peterson asked Dave the status of the measuring stations that the Bureau had reported to be no good. **Dave** responded that that was the purpose of the water measurement plan and is supposed to resolve those issues. The report also states that the Bureau would like the District to install telemetry on all future structures and that the Bureau will be responsible for installing the telemetry. This will increase costs. The cost per installation is approximately \$10,000-\$15,000. The

average cost of telemetry will be \$10,000 per installation. The entire project is projected to be completed by the year 2012. The protocol on laterals as how to determine what the loss will be for each individual water user is seepage loss protocol. The District will continue using the sutrons regardless of telemetry. The Bureau will continue to maintain the measuring devices within boundary of the R-Line and all the Truckee Canal devices. The Bureau has provided the District with a list with comments on some of the devices where there may some issues to work and be remedied by the District so that they can sign off indicating that there is no problem. On the R-Line and the S7 the Bureau has committed to be responsible for the devices within the reservation using the doplers. **President Ernie Schank** indicated that the Bureau should be responsible for confirming that their measurements using the doplers are accurate, as well, so that the District can charge off of them. The District's Cal Poly sources say there may be some problems with using the doplers. The Bureau agrees. **Dave Overvold** said that the Bureau initially required the District to measure 75% of the water. Now, if the District installs all the devices it will end up measuring more than 75%. The Bureau will provide a revised plan to Dave Overvold when available.

Nancy Upham, Mosquito Abatement – Request from District and Grant Information

Nancy had several requests. The Mosquito Abatement District has a cooperative weed management area with Fish and Wildlife and the Department of Agriculture and the three groups hold quarterly meetings. At the last Board meeting it was suggested that TCID have a representative attend these meetings, as well. She would like to have a TCID representative who could delegate whatever work that comes up. **President Ernie Schank** informed Nancy that Director Ray Peterson is assigned to attend these meetings and would bring Deborah Sherman, Weed Management with him when she is available.

At the last Cooperative Weed Management meeting that there is grant money available through the Department of Agriculture in \$5,000 increments. In the past the mosquito abatement district has sprayed drains to get rid of the brush, etc. She said the abatement district would apply for this money for projects district wide and asked if TCID would be willing to match the manpower necessary since it is for a common goal. Nancy asked if TCID would consider coming up with a project plan this fall to be submitted for next years grant application.

Director Ray Peterson suggested that this item be put on the next O&M meeting agenda and have Deborah Sherman attend. Nancy will provide a schedule of meetings for Deborah to attend, if possible. **President Ernie Schank** told Nancy that Earl Creech is an employee of the University of Nevada Cooperative Extension Service and lives here in Fallon. Earl is the weed specialist for the state of Nevada and would like to make a presentation to the Board and get familiar with some of the things that the District is doing in order to assist with the weed management program.

Nancy plans to put a chemical spray out at Carson Lake Pasture that would last for six to eight weeks. The Board will provide her with an irrigation plan for the State of Nevada. It was also suggested that she speak with Norman Norcutt and Mike Brown for use of water.

Public Comment

Mr. Fred Rogne commented regarding the District's insurance. He indicated that the worker's compensation quote was in and asked when he could present it for review to the insurance committee. Mr. Rogne is working with Mr. Dan Foster of Travelers Insurance to discuss the Dam Inspection Report. He would like to get Mr. Foster, the Bureau and the Board together to discuss the dam coverage and get a better picture of how the District operates.

Review/Approve O&M Committee Recommendations

Director Ray Peterson reported the following:

1. <u>Review Accident Incident Reports and Damage Claims</u>	There was an incident report from Howard King on 5/17/07 when he backed into a stump and caused
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<p>No Board action required.</p>	<p>damage to Truck #35. Another incident was reported by Howard King on 5/13/07 when the N-T2 flooded Lucas road and the yard of Cody Biggs. The irrigator failed to shut the water off or notify ditchrider when he was done.</p> <p>There was the incident report from Brian Baley on 5/16/07 regarding the A13 lateral being plugged with weeds when Bruce Corkhill turned over the water to Wes Washburn without turning down the head. The Ditch broke and flooded Gary Snow's pasture.</p> <p>There was the incident report from Dave Greely on 5/16/07 regarding the L1-7-T11 lateral being left open and a pasture was flooded on Lazy Heart Lane. Another incident report from Dave Greely on 5/15/07 regarding the LC3 at the head of the L6 being left open all night and the water went into a drain and eventually flooded Wadsworth's field of baled rye hay. No Damage Claim has been filed.</p> <p>There was an incident report from Matt Maguire on 5/5/07 regarding the S7-2-T4 lateral when a gate was overlooked and water ran onto John Torviks field.</p> <p>The last incident report was from Kelly Herwick when the mirror on Truck #26 was accidentally damaged and fell out while driving.</p> <p>No Damage Claims were filed at the time of this meeting.</p>
<p>2. <u>Review City of Fernley Crossing Applications for Mesa and Logan Lanes</u></p> <p>No Board action is required.</p>	<p>Rick Adams and Mike Hogan from V-Point were present to answer any questions and gain a better understanding of the application and approval process. Dave was able to answer the questions regarding the crossings at both Mesa and Logan Lanes. They were informed about the need to contact the BOR for approval of the crossings. After the BOR approved the crossings TCID would issue a permit.</p> <p>The committee went into the field to look at the areas on Mesa Drive and Logan Lanes that will be affected by this application. The crossing on Mesa Drive is currently a piped culvert. The current policy requires a box culvert for lateral crossings.</p>
<p>3. <u>Review Gate Change Request for R3 – D. Weishaupt</u></p> <p>No Board action is required at this time.</p>	<p>Walter informed the committee that the R3 gate was a jack gate and it has been changed to a screw gate at the request of Dana Weishaupt because he was afraid that his 80 year old father could not use the jack gate. Mr. Weishaupt actually wanted the motor from the gate on the R Line moved to the R3 to allow his father to open the gate. However, Walter said that was not an option so he changed the gate to a screw gate that is operated with a wheel. Mr. Weishaupt called and said that he would have to see how easy the screw gate was to operate before he would approve the change.</p>

	<p>The committee felt that a jack gate would have been easier to operate for the senior Mr. Weishaupt rather than the wheel gate. It could work depending on the amount of travel that is required to move the gate up and down and the resistance of the wheel.</p>
<p>4. <u>Review Easement Reduction on Piped Drain – Chisholm</u></p> <p>The committee recommends approving the reduction of easement to 35 feet pending the approval of the BOR.</p> <p>No Board action required till BOR approves.</p>	<p>Back in 1995 the Board approved to pipe a portion of the Fernley #1 Drain that is located off Newlands Drive in Fernley. In the original plans for the piping the easement was to be reduced to twenty feet. However, the easement reduction was never approved for any amount of footage by the Board of Directors. Mr. Chisholm has applied to TCID and the BOR to reduce the easement over the piped drain. It is present policy to reduce easements over piped drains or laterals to 35 feet with 17.5 feet from the center line of the pipe on both sides.</p>
<p>5. <u>Review Crossing of Public Utilities on Mesa Drive – City of Fernley</u></p> <p>No Board action required.</p>	<p>Mr. Eric Boyer from the City of Fernley Planning Department was present to answer any questions. Mr. Martin Ugalde arrived later in the morning to answer any questions the committee might have. The crossings were reviewed by the committee in the field. The individuals representing the City of Fernley were told that an application to the BOR must be approved before a permit will be issued by TCID.</p> <p>The committee will approve the crossing and issue a permit after approval of the BOR is confirmed.</p>
<p>6. <u>Review Application by TRC for CC Infrastructure Phase II</u></p> <p>No Board action required.</p>	<p>An application for the Churchill County Sewage Treatment Plant for the sewer line that will go down Moody Lane was received. The committee reviewed the drawings and determined that the crossings that will cross TCID facilities will be accomplished by underground borings. It is unknown if the County has applied for approval from the BOR. Kate will verify BOR application.</p>
<p>7. <u>Review Plan for New Takeout on TC2 Lateral – B. Baker</u></p>	<p>Walter received a request from Bob Baker who lives at 690 Country Dr., Fernley for a new takeout off the TC2 lateral. The committee stated that he would need to fill out an application and pay his fees and submit an irrigation plan before the committee could recommend any action to the board.</p>
<p>8. <u>Review Stillwater Power Plant Request to Pump from Drain</u></p> <p>No Board action required.</p>	<p>Committee chairman Ray Peterson was contacted by the Stillwater Power Plant asking what they would have to do to be able to pump out of the Paiute Drain for cooling purposes. Ray will call the Stillwater Power Plant to inform them of the steps necessary to be able to pump.</p>
<p>9. <u>Review Alternate Takeout A9 for B. Smith</u></p> <p>The committee recommends that Walter submit a plan to improve the efficiency of water delivery for Mr. Smith and put it on the Agenda for Board approval.</p>	<p>Committee chairman Ray Peterson was contacted by Mr. Robert Smith regarding using an alternate takeout from the one he currently uses. It takes so long for the water to get to him he is concerned about the efficiency of the District. Walter stated that he has looked into using another takeout such as the A9. However, the O&M department is currently backed up on planned projects so the unplanned ones will have to wait a little longer.</p>

Recess

A **motion** was made by **Director Ray Peterson** to recess for lunch at 11:55 a.m. seconded by **Director Lester deBraga** and unanimously approved.

The Board Reconvened at 1:15 P.M.

Bureau of Reclamation

Mr. Locke Hahne attended for the Bureau. **President Ernie Schank** spoke to Mr. Hahne regarding the conservation plan. Mr. Hahne was asked about the status on the ditch rider housing. Locke reported that this issue is in the Bureau's regional office. Locke reported that a property report must be done on the Wadsworth ditch rider house that burned to get it off the books. There are two ditch rider houses and as soon as the Bureau does what they need to do the houses one will be turned over to the university and the other to the Latins.

Locke then reported on the status of the work at Derby Dam. The Bureau is in the process of procuring the pedestals that will go in between the operators and doing this in conjunction as the same time as they are waiting for cultural resources to be done on their end. It has been submitted to the procurement department and told them to go ahead. The Shipal people are interested in the visual effects of the original historical structure changing and how the small pedestal will look being there. The pedestals are currently red in color and Locke would like to see them painted black. The goal is to get the motors repaired. The project will be sole sourced because there is only one contractor that can do the job. The Bureau has a quote which includes a condition that the Bureau would need to provide the lifting mechanism. The pillars will be picked up and placed by hand operated cranes. A crane can be shared between two operators at one time. There will be several cranes available to lift the hand cranes into the pedestals. There will be two cranes available that the District can move off and on in order not change the visual look of the historical structure. The cranes break down into three parts, the boom the crank mechanism and the pedestal, and can be used were other crane pedestals are located. If the District were to purchase pedestals for other locations, the cranes could also be used at these locations.

Director Ray Peterson asked for an update on the barricades for the dam. Locke reported that the contract is currently being awarded. The contractor qualified his bid to the Bureau and details are being worked out. A government contract requires that two items be addressed, responsiveness and responsibility. When the contractor originally submitted a qualified bid, he did not address all Bureau issues, thus the reason for working out several details prior to commencing the job.

Project Manager's Report

Dave Overvold, Project Manager reported the following:

<p>1. <u>Bureau of Reclamation</u></p> <p>The Bureau submitted an interim report on the ROMs. The District has completed three Category II recommendations with eight Category II recommendations that remain outstanding.</p>	<p>a) Notice received 6/4/07 regarding the BOR along with the Cities of Reno and Sparks sponsoring a public workshop for the development of a an Environmental Assessment for the Below Derby Dam Restoration Project. It will be held June 21st from 6:00 to 8:00 pm.</p> <p>b) Letter received 6/4/07 as a reminder to submit Progress Report on the Project Improvement Plan.</p> <p>c) Letter received 6/4/07 as a reminder to submit the Emergency Reserve Fund Payment Due.</p> <p>d) Letter received 6/4/07 as a reminder to submit the Progress Report on the Current annual Operating Plan.</p> <p>e) Letter received 6/6/07 containing the 2007 Interim Review of Operation and Maintenance Report for</p>
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	the Water Distribution System.
2. <u>Litigation</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Three notices received 5/31/07 from PLIT lawyers titled <u>Notice of Change of Firm</u>. b) Letter received 6/4/07 from MVZ regarding the documentation for the Donner Lake lawsuit being asked for from TMWA. c) Memorandum received 6/4/07 titled <u>TCID's Memorandum of Points and Authorities In Support of Petition for Review of State Engineer Ruling 4659</u>. d) Certificate of Mailing received 6/4/07 for the 2(d) above. e) Notice received 6/4/07 titled <u>Plaintiff TCID's Notice of Deposition of the Custodian of Records of Defendant TMWA</u>. f) Notice received 6/4/07 titled <u>Notice of Motion Compelling Further Responses to Request for Production of Documents; Pints and Authorities; Declaration of Elizabeth P. Ewens</u>.
3. <u>Correspondence</u> It was suggested that the District begin getting employees trained in CPR. Implement an emergency action plan to keep the District up and running should there be some sort of interruption.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Letter sent 6/4/07 containing the Rock and Gravel Report of usage for the month of May. b) Letter received 5/31/07 from Travelers Insurance regarding recommendations made by the Insurance Company to reduce TCID's risk exposure. c) Letter received 6/5/07 regarding the Coverage Change for Dams.
4. <u>Notices</u> Dave will respond by writing a letter in opposition of polluting Carson Lake.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Notice of a public hearing being held for a special use permit to apply domestic seepage and grease trap material to his cropland. It is being held June 13th at 7:00 pm at Churchill County Administration Complex. b) Public notice received 6/6/07 regarding an application by the City of Sparks for a water pollution control discharge permit.
5. <u>Newspaper Articles</u>	Two articles in the Lahontan Valley News one on 5/5/07 and the other 5/10/07. The first is titled <i>Study shows high tungsten coincides with Fallon cancer cluster</i> . The second story is titled <i>Professor speaks about leukemia cluster findings</i> .
6. <u>Damage Claim</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Incident reported 6/3/07 by Charlie Crew on the A19 when a takeout was blocked and overtopped causing the flooding of a driveway and wash drain. b) Incident reported 6/4/07 by Matt Maguire on the S6-6 when a head of water was not turned down for the next irrigator and broke a ditch. c) Incident reported 6/4/07 by Colton Ross on the N Line when an irrigator did not open gate when he put in the boards and cause a break in the N-Line.

Open Discussion

Director Larry Miller reported that Howard Curtis had talked with Walter Winder about possibly getting a piece of 36" pipe to put a road back in where the existing pipe had collapsed. He asked if Walter had mentioned this to Dave. **Dave** said it was where the existing pipe culvert is located and is just before the delivery ditch. **Larry** indicated that Mr. Curtis said that if he could get a piece of pipe he would do the installation.

Employee Relations Committee Recommendations

Director Lester deBraga reported the following:

<p>Decision on CPI Request</p> <p>A <u>motion</u> was made by Lester deBraga to recommend to the Board of Directors a 3.3% increase in the wage scale effective July 1, 2007, contingent upon a budget review. Mr. Don Travis seconded the motion.</p> <p>Board Action Taken:</p> <p>A <u>motion</u> was made by Director Lester deBraga to give the employees a 3.1% cost of living increase effective July 1, 2007 and authorized Dave Overvold to write a letter to the Employees Association seconded by Director Don Travis and unanimously approved.</p>	<p>Mr. Blodgett asked Mike what the Employee's wanted from the committee. Mr. Adams gave each of the Committee members a letter regarding a request to negotiate for the Cost of Living adjustment to the Wage Scale. The Employee's asked for a 3.3% increase to the wage scale based on the Consumers Price Index (CPI) for all items for the past year for the area of West urban wage earners and clerical workers. There was some discussion of the CPI regarding which one to use and what were the items included in the CPI.</p>
	<p>There was some discussion about the next years Health Insurance benefit. It was felt that the Employee's Association would like the Board to consider, during negotiations, their proposal. If dependent health coverage will no longer be offered to reduce the premiums for the District then the employees feel that a \$2.00 raise should be offered to the employees to allow them to purchase their own dependents health insurance. There was some discussion as to how many employees are currently using the dependent coverage and how would the wage increase be applied. Would all employees get it even if they had no dependents, would the employees that had dependents loose the \$2.00 wage increase when they had no more dependents? There was a lot of discussion about something that Mr. Schank thought may not be offered in the negotiations for the health benefits. The idea that dependent health benefits would no longer be offered was something that was mentioned as a possible way to control the higher prices of healthcare coverage but not the only way to control costs.</p>
<p>Tobacco Policy</p>	<p>The next topic that was brought up by Mr. Adams was the Tobacco Policy. He stated that the policy was approved by the Policy Committee and then there was exchanges of email about the approved wording but the employees have had no communications about what the Board of Directors had approved. Kate stated that the Board of Directors approved the Tobacco Policy at the April Board meeting and it was added to the Management Policies books. Mike explained that the employees had still had no official notice of the change in the Tobacco Policy or what it stated. In the past employees were notified of Policy changes by enclosing them in their paycheck envelope. That will be done with the next paycheck.</p>

Open Discussion

President Ernie Schank discussed the bill that has been introduced in the Senate and the House to redefine the federal waters of the United States under the Clean Water Act. He passed out a copy of the bill to the Board for review. NWRA is currently working on this.

There was discussion regarding seepage. The Bureau would like to be involved in subdivisions that are along the Truckee Canal because they feel that they have some liability. The Bureau drafted a proposed joint policy between the District and themselves. President Schank believes that it is good to have the Bureau supporting the District on this issue.

The seepage review will be done by the Bureau at the developers cost. Plans are submitted to the District and then the District will submit the plans to the Bureau.

The next item discussed was the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District Disciplinary Guidelines. There are currently guidelines in place for disciplinary procedures, but there is a request to negotiate modifications to those guidelines. The Board will provide further clarification of the current guidelines to the Employees Association, as requested.

A **motion** was made by **Director Ray Peterson** to recess at 2:47 p.m. seconded by **Director Lester deBraga** and unanimously approved.

The Board reconvened at 5:01 p.m.

Review/Approve Personnel Matters

Director Lester deBraga and **Director Don Travis** have been excused from the meeting. **Director Jerry Blodgett** was not in attendance for today's meeting.

A **motion** was made by **Director Richard Harriman** to adopt the Project Manager's recommendation of awarding two of the merit increases as presented and a rate increase for the seconded by **Director Larry Miller** and approved by a vote of 4-0.

Adjourn

A **motion** was made by **Director Ray Peterson** to adjourn the meeting at 5:05 p.m. seconded by **Director Ray Peterson** and approved by a vote of 4-0.

Ernest C. Schank, President

Ray Peterson, Secretary

Date