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# MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LOWER TULE RIVER IRRIGATION DISTRICT

The Board of Directors of the Lower Tule River Irrigation District met in a Regular meeting on the 8th day of November 2016, at 9:15 am, at the District office in Tipton, California. The meeting was called to order by President FERNANDES. It was determined the following Directors were in attendance:

Director	Div. 2	2018	JIM COSTA
Director	Div. 3	2016	TOM BARCELLOS
Director	Div. 4	2016	GARY FERNANDES
Director	Div. 1	2018	ALEX GARCIA
Director	Div. 5	2018	JOHN ROELOFFS
District Staff Present:		DAN VINK – General Manager MIKE BATTLES – Operations Manager ERIC LIMAS – Assistant General Manager	
Guests Present		PRESTON BRITTAIN, Pacific Resources	

#### 1. BOARD ADMINISTRATION

On motion by Director COSTA, second by Director GARCIA and unanimously approved, the agenda was approved as presented.

The minutes of the October 11, 2016 Regular meeting were distributed for review prior to the meeting. On motion by Director COSTA, second by Director GARCIA and unanimously approved, the Board accepted the minutes and ordered them placed on file.

#### 2. WATER RESOURCES

General Manager VINK reviewed a variety of water related activities, including Delta and San Luis Reservoir operations and development of an allocation policy for the District. No Action was taken.



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The Board discussed the formation of the Groundwater Planning Commission for the District to work on the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act compliance. After discussion and review of applications and appointments, on motion by Director BARCELLOS, second by Director ROELOFFS, and unanimously approved, the Board made the following appointments to the Groundwater Planning Commission;

- Division 1 Louie Tristao
- Division 2 Greg Fernandes
- Division 3 Mike Faria
- Division 4 Vince Sola
- Division 5 Carson TeVelde

The Board reviewed Tule Basin MOU Group activities, including the additions of Kern Tulare Water District and Alpaugh GSA to the MOU Group. After discussion, on motion by Director COSTA, second by Director ROELOFFS and unanimously approved, the Board ratified the additions of KTWD and Alpaugh GSA to the Tule Basin MOU.

#### 3. SOUTH VALLEY WATER ASSOCIATION

General Manager VINK reviewed SVWA activity which has been focused on water supply issues, Federal legislation and Delta operations over the past month. Director COSTA gave a report on the Allied Grower Group meeting that he participated in. No action was taken.



## 4. DISTRICT OPERATIONS

#### Construction and Operation activities

Operations Manager BATTLES reviewed a variety of construction and maintenance activities, reporting that District crews have been busy with grading and spraying, hauling dirt to re-line canals, laying pipeline at the UC Davis property and starting the fall Tule River Channel Clearing projects. No action was taken.

#### Administrative Activities

The Board reviewed the Financial Statements for the month of October 2016. On motion by Director COSTA, second by Director GARCIA and unanimously approved, the Board accepted the October Financials and ordered them placed on file.

The Board reviewed the actions of the Finance Committee in the payment of the October bills. On motion by Director BARCELLOS, second by Director COSTA and unanimously approved, the Board ratified the actions of the Finance Committee in the payments of the October bills.

## 5. TULE RIVER ASSOCIATION

The minutes of the Tule River Association meetings were distributed for review prior to the meeting, and as such, are not repeated here. General Manager VINK gave an update of the Success Reservoir Enlargement Project, a meeting on the project with the Corps of Engineers and Kevin McCarthy and the finalizing of the Seismic Remediation final report. No action was taken.

## 6. MISCELLANEOUS AGENCIES & AUTHORITIES

#### Deer Creek & Tule River Authority

The minutes of the Deer Creek & Tule River Association meetings are distributed for review prior to the meeting, and as such, are not repeated here.

The Board reviewed the 2017 California Farm Water Coalition dues. After discussion, on motion by Director BARCELLOS, second by Director GARCIA and unanimously approved, the Board approved payment of the dues in the amount of \$14,385.



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The Board reviewed membership in the Upper San Joaquin Water and Power Authority and the need for a meeting to officially dissolve that authority. Currently the appointed Board member to that authority is Director ROELLOFFS and the alternate is Manager VINK. After discussion, on motion by Director COSTA, second by Director GARCIA and unanimously approved, the Board appointed Assistant Manager LIMAS as an additional alternate to ensure there is coverage for the final meeting.

There being no further business to be brought to the Board attention, and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Daniel G. Vink, Secretary