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# MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PIXLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT

The Board of Directors of the Pixley Irrigation District met in a regular meeting on the 11th day of May 2016, at 9:00 a.m. at the District office in Tipton, California.

The meeting was called to order by President Junio. It was determined the following Directors were present:

Director Div.3	Randy Parreira
Director Div.2	Bill DeGroot
Director Div.5	Frank Junio
Director Div. 1	Neal Westbrook
Director Div.4	Rusty Schott (arrived at 9:10)

## District Staff present:

Dan Vink, General Manager Eric Limas, Assistant General Manager Mike Battles, Operations Manager

## **Guests Present:**

Dave Dorrance, Sunworld, Inc. Garry Reizebos, Auditor

## **BOARD ADMINISTRATION**

On motion by Director Parreira, second by Director DeGroot and unanimously approved, the Agenda was approved as presented.

The Minutes of the April 7, 2016 meeting were distributed for review prior to the meeting. On motion by Director DeGroot, second by Director Westbrook and unanimously approved, the Board accepted the meeting minutes and ordered them placed on file.

Assistant Manager Limas reviewed Resolution number 2016-5-1 setting the election date as November 8, 2016, to be run in conjunction with the County General Election. Director Junio and Director Parreira are up for re-election. After discussion, on motion by Director



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Westbrook, second by Director DeGroot and unanimously approved, the Board approved Resolution 2016-5-1. A copy of Resolution 2016-5-1 is attached as **Exhibit "A"**.

#### WATER RESOURCES

The Board reviewed a variety of water related activities including the current conditions. The 2016 water supply allocation is currently 65% Class1. No action was taken.

General Manager VINK reviewed a Groundwater Planning Commission Policy, which would form a Groundwater Planning Commission for the Groundwater Sustainability Agency under SGMA. After discussion, on motion by Director DeGroot, second by Director Westbrook, and unanimously approved, the Board approved the Groundwater Planning Commission Policy.

Assistant Manager Limas and Manager Vink reviewed and exchange for Friant water with Sunworld. Sunworld has Kaweah water they are exchanging for Friant water and has purchased additional Friant water. Under the agreement, Pixley would receive the Friant water from Sunworld and deliver Cross Valley water to Sunworld on the Westside. Pixley would be responsible for the cost of the Cross Valley water and Sunworld the cost of the Friant water. After Discussion, on motion by Director DeGroot, second by Director Schott, and unanimously approved, the Board approved the exchange agreement subject to review by General Counsel.

The Board then convened into Closed Session with General Counsel, Nic Cardella, who joined the meeting via telephone, in accordance with Government Code Section 54956.9 (A) to discuss potential litigation issues. Upon, reconvening into the regular Board meeting, it was reported that there were no reportable actions taken in closed session.

#### SOUTH VALLEY WATER ASSOCIATION

General Manager Vink reviewed the SVWA Advisory Committee meeting and activity report that was distributed for review prior to the Board meeting. No action was taken.

#### **DISTRICT OPERATIONS**

Operations Manager Battles reviewed a variety of construction and maintenance activities, reporting that District crews continue to be busy with grading, spraying, installing pipe across a County road and building up banks of a canal due to subsidence. No action was taken.

Battles reviewed bids received for 4 pickups from the State bid and from Will Tiesiera Ford. The Will Tiesiera bid was \$1,000 higher per pickup than the State bid on the 3 half ton pickups and was approximately the same on the quad cab pickup. Battles also reviewed bids



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for 2 Dump Trucks. The Gibbs Equipment bid was approximately \$5,000 cheaper per truck than the Tharps Equipment bid. After discussion, on motion by Director DeGroot, second by Director Parreira, and unanimously approved, the Board approved the pickup purchases at the local dealership, Will Tiesiera at approximately \$22,000 per half ton pickup and \$34,000 for the quad cab pickup and the Dump Truck purchases from Gibbs Equipment at approximately \$116,000 each.

# Administrative Matters

The Board reviewed the Financial Statements for the month of April 2016. On motion by Director Westbrook, second by Director DeGroot and unanimously approved, the Board accepted the Financial Statements and ordered them placed on file.

The Board reviewed the actions of the Finance Committee in the payment of the April bills. On motion by Director DeGroot, second by Director Parreira, and unanimously approved, the Board ratified the actions of the Finance Committee in the payment of the April bills.

Auditor Garry Reizebos reviewed the 2015 Financial Statement audit. After discussion, on motion by Director Westbrook, second by Director Parreira, and unanimously approved, the Board accepted the Audited Financial statements and ordered them placed on file.

## SOUTH VALLEY WATER BANKING AUTHORITY

No action was taken.

## MISC. AUTHORITIES/AGENCIES:

## Deer Creek & Tule River Authority

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

## South Valley Water Banking Authority

General Manager Vink reviewed the South Valley Water Banking Authority activities. No action was taken.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Vink General Manager