

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

The Board of Directors of the Pixley Irrigation District convened a regular meeting on April 11, 2019, 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 -ABSENT

Director Div.5

Frank Junio

Director Div. 1

Neal Westbrook

Director Div.4

Rusty Schott

District Staff present:

Eric Limas, General Manager

Mike Battles, Operations Manager

Alex Peltzer, General Counsel

Guests Present:

Allan Becker, Sunworld, Geoff Vanden Huevel, California Milk Producers

BOARD ADMINISTRATION

The Board reviewed the agenda. On motion by Director WESTBROOK, second by Director PARREIRA and unanimously approved, the agenda was approved.

The minutes of the March 12, 2019 regular meeting were distributed for review prior to the meeting. On motion by Director PARREIRA, second by Director SCHOTT and unanimously approved, the Board accepted the minutes and ordered them placed on file.

WATER RESOURCES

Manager LIMAS reviewed current statewide and local water conditions. The Friant Class 1 allocation is 100%. Millerton is also in a limited Uncontrolled Season, with water allocated to Class 2 contractors and must be delivered by April 30. No action was taken.

LIMAS reviewed the monthly delivery report and current water run. No action was taken.

The Board considered Resolution 2019-4-1, considering execution of a Temporary Water Service Contract (215) with the Bureau of Reclamation. After discussion, on motion by Director WESTBROOK, second by Director SCHOTT and unanimously approved, the Board approved Resolution 2019-4-1.

The Board had a discussion on future surface water allocation and potential Prop 218 election. No action was taken.

LIMAS reviewed activities related to the Friant Kern Canal Water Quality policy, subsidence/capacity correction and Temperance Flat studies. No action was taken.

The Board then met as the Groundwater Sustainability Agency Board. LIMAS reviewed discussions and issues that have been taken up by the GPC. LIMAS and General Counsel ALEX PELTZER, reviewed the process and next steps of setting up a Land and Water Trust, to manage retired and fallowed land. No action was taken.

The Board considered Resolution 2019-4-2. Considering Pixley ID GSA joining ACWA/JPIA Liability Insurance program. After Discussion, on motion by Director PARREIRA, second by Director WESTBROOK and unanimously approved, the Board approved Resolution 2019-4-2.

The Board reviewed Tule Basin MOU Group activities, including work on the basin coordination agreement, basin groundwater flow model and discussions related to subsidence. No action was taken.

SOUTH VALLEY WATER ASSOCIATION

Manager LIMAS reviewed the South Valley Water Association report provided by Executive Director DAN VINK. No action was taken.

SOUTH VALLEY WATER BANKING AUTHORITY

The minutes of the South Valley Water Banking Authority meetings are distributed for review prior to the meeting, and as such, are not repeated here. No action was taken.

DISTRICT OPERATIONS

Construction and Operation activities

Operations Manager BATTLES reviewed ongoing maintenance activities, including a review of safety meetings, facility safety inspections, canal maintenance and the Riparian pipeline project activities. Also discussed was water operations issues related to on and off times for water orders and the need to the District's pump tester. No action was taken.

BATTLES reviewed the pickup purchase budget and bids for pickup purchases. The bids were within the budgeted amounts. After discussion, on motion by Director WESTBROOK, second by Director PARREIRA and unanimously approved, the Board approved a bid from Will Tiesiera Ford for the purchase of 3 pickups.

Administrative Activities

The Board convened into closed session with General Counsel PELTZER. Upon reconvening into open session, it was reported that no reportable action was taken in closed session.

The Board reviewed the Financial reports for the month of March. On motion by Director WESTBROOK, second by Director SCHOTT and unanimously approved, the Board accepted the March Financials and ordered them placed on file.

The Board reviewed the actions of the Finance Committee in the payment of the March bills. On motion by Director PARREIRA, second by Director WESTBROOK and unanimously approved, the Board ratified the actions of the Finance Committee in the payments of the March bills.

The May Board meeting date coincides with the ACWA conference. The May Board meeting was rescheduled to May 16.

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.

OTHER MATTERS

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

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Limas

General Manager