



**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 on the 10th day of August 2017, at 9:00 a.m. at the District office in Tipton, California. The meeting was called to order by Board 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

District Staff present:

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

Guests Present:

Dave Dorrance, Sun World

BOARD ADMINISTRATION

On motion by Director Westbrook, second by Director Parreira and unanimously approved, the agenda was approved as presented.

The minutes of the July 5, 2017 special meeting were distributed for review prior to the meeting. On motion by Director DeGroot, second by Director Schott and unanimously approved, the Board accepted the minutes and ordered them placed on file.

WATER RESOURCES

General Manager VINK and Assistant Manager LIMAS reviewed the current water run. The board also discussed remaining CVC contract supplies. The consensus was to try and put together an exchange for Friant water to bring the water into the District with an alternative

option of selling it. The cost of the water and wheeling under the exchange program would be approximately \$165 per acre-foot. No action was taken.

The Board then met as the Groundwater Sustainability Agency Board. They reviewed Tule Basin MOU Group activities, including an ongoing effort to re-draft the basin MOU to make the six existing GSA's in the basin as the responsible parties under the MOU. The MOU group has also requested Lower Tule to be the fiscal agent and lead grant applicant for the group since the state is requiring lead agencies and applicants to also be GSA's themselves. The Deer Creek and Tule River Authority has served as the fiscal agent to date. The Board also reviewed progress the Groundwater Planning Commission is making. No action was taken.

SOUTH VALLEY WATER ASSOCIATION

General Manager VINK led the Board through a discussion of ongoing efforts at the state level to get a water bond on the 2018 election ballot. After discussion, on motion by Director DeGroot, second by Director Parreira, and unanimously approved, the Board endorsed the action taken by the SVWA Board, 1) making the restoration of the Friant Kern Canal a priority objective of the South Valley Water Association, 2) support and initiate actions at both the federal and state level that achieve that objective, and 3) provide the language necessary to the current efforts for state bond funding to complete the objective and condition support from South Valley on the inclusion of that language in any bond initiative. The only effort that currently meets the objective is the bond initiative being proposed by an effort led by Jerry Meral.

SOUTH VALLEY WATER BANKING AUTHORITY

No current updates on this project.

DISTRICT OPERATIONS

Construction and Operation activities

Operations Manager Battles gave an update of the Ave 116 extension project, and July operations and maintenance, including spraying ditches, Success Power Project repairs and removing sandbags from the spillway at the Success Reservoir. Assistant Manager Limas reported that staff received proposals from Provost & Pritchard, consulting engineers, on the North and South Ditch capacity issues, as well as the potential for expansion of the westside distribution system. After discussion, on motion by Director Westbrook, second by Director

Schott and unanimously approved, the Board approved moving forward with the proposals of \$25,000 for the North and South Ditch capacity issues and \$143,500 for the feasibility study and alternatives analysis for the westside distribution system expansion.

Administrative Activities

The Board reviewed the Financial reports for the month of July 2017. On motion by Director Parreira, second by Director DeGroot and unanimously approved, the Board accepted the July Financials and ordered them placed on file.

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

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.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Limas
Assistant General Manager