



**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 9th day of November 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:***

Alex Peltzer – General Counsel  
Dave Dorrance – Sunworld  
Brandon Spain – Farm Land Management

**BOARD ADMINISTRATION**

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

The minutes of the October 12, 2017 regular meeting were distributed for review prior to the meeting. On motion by Director Parreira, second by Director Westbrook and unanimously approved, the Board accepted the minutes and ordered them placed on file.

## **WATER RESOURCES**

Assistant Manager LIMAS reviewed the fall 2017 groundwater well measurements and maps and a summary of the 2017 water deliveries. During 2017, the District brought 96,117 acre-feet into the distribution system, sold 57,377 AF to water users, percolated 14,235 AF in recharge basins and 24,505 AF in the canal channels.

The Board then reviewed a Draft Interim Landowner Recharge Policy. After discussion, on motion by Director DeGroot, second by Director Schott and unanimously approved, the policy was adopted by the Board.

The Board then met as the Groundwater Sustainability Agency Board. They reviewed Tule Basin MOU Group activities, including work on the groundwater model by the consulting hydrologist. The GSA Board also reviewed progress the Groundwater Planning Commission is making on the Groundwater Sustainability Plan.

## **SOUTH VALLEY WATER ASSOCIATION**

General Manager VINK reviewed ongoing SVWA activities, including work being done related to San Joaquin River Restoration Program plan update by the settling parties at the request of Dianne Feinstein and a recap of his October trip to Washington DC. The South Valley Board packet was also sent out in the Board Packet prior to the meeting. No action was taken.

General Manager VINK also reviewed efforts related to putting together a JPA to study the benefits of Temperance Flat. The members of SVWA are working together to participate in this process. No action was taken.

## **SOUTH VALLEY WATER BANKING AUTHORITY**

Assistant Manager Limas gave an update of this project.

## **DISTRICT OPERATIONS**

### **Construction and Operation activities**

Operations Manager BATTLES gave an update of operations and maintenance, including grading, spraying, turnout maintenance and construction of the Burns property basins in Lower Tule. No action was taken.

### Administrative Activities

Assistant Manager Limas reported on the progress of filling the District Engineer position.

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

Assistant Manager LIMAS reviewed a proposal to move the hosting of the District server into the cloud, to avoid hardware capital and maintenance costs as well as removing the risk of hardware failure. After discussion, on motion by Director DeGroot, second by Director Parreira and unanimously approved, the Board approved the proposal.

The Board reviewed the actions of the Finance Committee in the payment of the October 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 October bills.

The Board then went into closed session in accordance with Government Code Section 545957, to discuss a Personnel labor negotiation. Upon reconvening into open session, it was reported that there were no reportable actions taken during closed session.

### **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