



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

The Board of Directors of the Pixley Irrigation District convened a meeting on July 8, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, the meeting was held via video and audio conference only. 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 (9:25)
Director Div.4	Rusty Schott - ABSENT

District Staff present:

Eric Limas, General Manager
Mike Battles, Assistant Manager
Jack Lopez, Field Superintendent

Others Present:

Alex Peltzer, General Counsel
Reyn Akiona, consultant
Dan Vink, consultant

Landowners and Public:

Alan Becker, Renewable Resources Group
Geoff Vanden Huevel, Milk Producers Counsel
Carole Combs
Jeff Powers, Sequoia Riverlands Trust
Clayton Smith, Congressman Valadao's office
Robert Gould

BOARD ADMINISTRATION

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

On motion by Director DEGROOT, second by Director PARREIRA and unanimously approved, the minutes of the June 10, 2021, meeting were approved as presented.

LIMAS announced that future meetings will be held in person only for both Directors and members of the public.

WATER RESOURCES

Manager LIMAS reviewed current water conditions. Conditions are extremely dry across the state. The Friant allocation is currently 20% Class 1. The CVC allocation is currently 0%. No action was taken.

LIMAS reviewed activities related to the Friant Kern Canal operations, water quality, pumpback project and subsidence/capacity correction activities. No action was taken.

SOUTH VALLEY WATER ASSOCIATION

DAN VINK reviewed monthly South Valley Water Association activities, including federal infrastructure bills being developed and communications with the Bureau of Reclamation regarding current year water supply and operations. No action was taken.

DISTRICT OPERATIONS

Construction and Operation activities

MIKE BATTLES reviewed ongoing canal maintenance activities. Safety meetings were held, shop and facility inspections performed, dipping and spraying of canals continues, Riparian pipeline phase 2 construction is complete, Deer Creek Structure project is ongoing, waiting for materials, and o&m on the Teapot Dome/Pioneer/ Vandalia and Campbell Moreland systems were performed. There have been two accidents involving employees over the last

month. Neither accident involved any injuries and neither accident was the fault of the District employees. Meters have been received for the Pixley Basin metering project and will be installed in the next couple of months. Staff has been having discussions with landowners along the Lateral 4 alignment. BATTLES also announced that a spray truck was purchased, is currently being retrofitted, and will be operational in the next few weeks. No action was taken.

Administrative Activities

LIMAS reported that an agreement has been executed and entered into with the Center for Natural Lands Management, per approval in a previous meeting closed session.

The Board reviewed the financial reports for the month of June. On motion by Director PARREIRA, second by Director WESTBROOK and unanimously approved, the Board approved the financial reports.

The Board reviewed the bills paid for the month of June. On motion by Director DEGROOT, second by Director PARREIRA and unanimously approved, the Board approved the bills paid.

MISCELLANEOUS AGENCIES & AUTHORITIES

Deer Creek & Tule River Authority


LIMAS reviewed DCTRA activities, the minutes of the meetings are distributed for review prior to the meeting, and as such, are not repeated here. No Action was taken.

OTHER MATTERS

The Board then went into closed session. Upon reconvening into open session, it was reported that no reportable actions were taken during closed session.

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

Respectfully submitted,


Eric Limes
General Manager