



**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 special meeting on October 11, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. 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

District Staff present:

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

Others Present:

Alex Peltzer, General Counsel
Reyn Akiona, consultant

Landowners and Public:

None

BOARD ADMINISTRATION

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

On motion by Director PARREIRA, second by Director SCHOTT and unanimously approved, the minutes of the September 9, 2021, regular Board meeting, and September 28 Budget workshop, were approved as presented.

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 ad hoc committee and subsidence/capacity correction activities. No action was taken.

The Board reviewed Resolution 2021-10-1, Resolution Adopting Findings and Authorizing the Execution of a Contract between the United States and the District Providing for Water Service and Facilities Repayment. After discussion, on motion by Director SCHOTT, second by Director DEGROOT, and unanimously approved via roll call vote, the Board approved Resolution 2021-10-1.

The Board reviewed Resolution 2021-10-2, Resolution Adopting Findings and Authorizing the Execution of a Long-term Conveyance Contract among the Department of Water Resources of the State of California, the United States Department of the Interior Bureau of Reclamation and the District for Conveyance to the District of Central Valley Project Water. After discussion, on motion by Director PARREIRA, second by Director WESTBROOK, and unanimously approved via roll call vote, the Board approved Resolution 2021-10-2.

SOUTH VALLEY WATER ASSOCIATION

ALEX PELTZER reviewed monthly South Valley Water Association activities, including voluntary agreement discussions and current water 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 and the Deer Creek Structure project – the gate is installed, security measures are being put in place, and the air compressors have arrived and will be installed in the next couple of weeks and commissioned by the manufacturer. O&M on the Teapot Dome/Pioneer/ Vandalia and Campbell Moreland systems were performed. Meters for the Pixley Basin metering project are installed. Construction projects in Vandalia and Teapot Dome have been started. Staff is working with general counsel to draft easement agreements along the Lateral 4 alignment. No action was taken.

Staff reviewed the status of the Lateral 4 design work and an updated budget from Provost and Pritchard. After discussion, on motion by Director SCHOTT, second by Director DEGROOT, and unanimously approved, the Board approved a contract amendment of \$40,000 with Provost and Pritchard to complete the project design.

Administrative Activities

The Board reviewed Resolution 2021-10-3, Determination of APN 313-090-001, obtained by Collector's Deed, to not be sold. After discussion, on motion by Director PARREIRA, second by Director WESTBROOK, and unanimously approved, the Board approved Resolution 2021-10-3.

The Board reviewed Resolution 2021-10-4, Setting the 2022 Assessment rate. After discussion, on motion by Director DEGROOT, second by Director PARREIERA, and unanimously approved, the Board approved Resolution 2021-10-4, setting the 2022 assessment rates at \$38.09 per acre for the General Assessment, \$30.88 per acre for the Water Supply Assessment, and \$5.02 per acre for the Capital Projects Assessment.

The Board reviewed the draft 2022 Pixley ID and Operations and Maintenance Budgets. On motion by Director WESTBROOK, second by Director SCHOTT and unanimously approved, the Board approved the 2022 budgets of \$4,565,150 for Operations and Maintenance, shared with Lower Tule River ID, and \$7,682,998 for the Pixley ID budget.

The Board reviewed the financial reports for the month of September. On motion by

Director PARREIERA, second by Director DEGROOT and unanimously approved, the Board approved the financial reports.

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

The Board discussed the November meeting date, currently scheduled for November 11, which is Veteran's Day. It was decided to move the meeting to Monday, November 8.

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 Limas
General Manager