

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 February 9, 2023, 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

John Michael Domondon, Engineer

Kirk Masters, Water Resources Superintendent

Others Present:

Alex Peltzer, General Counsel Susan Long, Tule Basin Land and Water Conservation Trust Dan Vink, Consultant

Landowners and Public:

Travis Millwee Gerrid DeGroot

BOARD ADMINISTRATION

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

On motion by Director SCHOTT, second by Director WESTBROOK and

unanimously approved, the minutes of the January 12, 2023 meeting, were approved as presented.

WATER RESOURCES

Manager LIMAS reviewed current water conditions. The Friant Water Year 2022 allocation increased from 35% to 50 % Class 1 on February 10 with Uncontrolled Season ending on February 9. In January, the District diverted Deer Creek natural runoff that reached the District. District deliveries from Friant will continue until later in February through an exchange agreement with Delano Earlimart ID. The CVC allocation is currently 0%. No action was taken.

The Board considered Resolution 2023-2-1 Considering execution of WY 2022 215 Contract with the USBOR. After discussion, on motion by Director PARREIRA, second by Director DEGROOT and unanimously approved, the Board approved Resolution 2023-2-1.

The Board considered Resolution 2023-2-2 Considering execution of WY 2023 215 Contract with the USBOR. After discussion, on motion by Director PARREIRA, second by Director DEGROOT and unanimously approved, the Board approved Resolution 2023-2-2.

The Board discussed water rates for the current run. After discussion, on motion by Director DEGROOT, second by Director PARREIRA and unanimously approved, the Board set the water rate at \$100 per acre-foot.

LIMAS, reviewed activities related to the Friant Kern Canal operations, the water quality ad-hoc committee activities, subsidence/capacity correction current activities and studies of phase 2 capacity correction options and a potential cost share with Lower Tule for their share. No action was taken.

SOUTH VALLEY WATER ASSOCIATION

DAN VINK reviewed monthly South Valley Water Association activity including work on a Fishbio study on fish mortality in the Delta. No action was taken.

DISTRICT OPERATIONS

Construction and Operation activities

MIKE BATTLES reviewed water operations and canal maintenance activities. In addition to water run related activities, including trash removal in Deer Creek, the Tule River and canals, safety meetings were held, shop and facility inspections were performed. O&M on the Teapot Dome/Pioneer/ Vandalia and Campbell Moreland systems were performed. PWC and Vandalia capital projects are ongoing. Winter maintenance activities are currently on hold to deal with water deliveries. BATTLES also gave an update on the following Pixley projects; Lateral 4, and Eastside capacity improvement projects. No action was taken.

Administrative Activities

BATTLES presented a proposal to add cabinets and storage in the accounting and water departments. The cost would be split between Lower Tule and Pixley. After discussion, on motion by Director WESTBROOK, second by Director SCHOTT, and unanimously approved the Board approved the proposal of \$12,600.

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

The Board reviewed the bills paid for the month of January. On motion by Director PARREIRA, second by Director DEGROOT 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 there were no reportable actions taken in 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