

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PIXLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT GROUNDWATER SUSTAINIBILITY AGENCY

The Board of Directors of the Pixley Irrigation District, sitting as the GSA governing board, convened a meeting on June 8, 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 – ABSENT

Director Div.4 Rusty Schott

District Staff present:

Eric Limas, General Manager

Mike Battles, Assistant Manager

John Michael Domondon, Engineer

Mark Greenall, Controller

Others Present:

Alex Peltzer, General Counsel

Landowners and Public:

Susan Long Luis Sanchez Geof Vanden Huevel Travis Millwee

BOARD ADMINISTRATION

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

On motion by Director DEGROOT, second by Director PARREIRA and

unanimously approved, the minutes of the May 18, 2023, meeting, were approved as presented.

LIMAS updated the Board on ET and Transitional water usage. No action was taken.

The Board discussed the calculation of groundwater credits for lands that were flooded for an extended period of time. After review of options, on motion by Director DEGROOT, second by Director PARREIRA, and unanimously approved, the Board approved the daily calculation and a credit of 50% to those landowners whose land was flooded for an extended period of time.

LIMAS presented updates to Rules and Regulations, Policies 3,4 and 8. The updates were reviewed and recommended by the Groundwater Planning Commission. After discussion, on motion by Director DEGROOT, second by Director SCHOTT, and unanimously approved, the Board approved the policy updates.

LIMAS presented updates to the mitigation plan, adding sections for subsidence and water quality impacts. The updates were reviewed and recommended by the Groundwater Planning Commission. After discussion, on motion by Director PARREIRA, second by Director DEGROOT, and unanimously approved, the Board approved the policy updates.

LIMAS reported that DWR is making the LandFlex land fallowing policy available to Pixley GSA landowners. After discussion, on motion by Director DEGROOT, second by Director PARREIRA, and unanimously approved, the Board approved participating in the program with the following criteria; lands selected should be prioritized near domestic wells, in the deepest groundwater areas of the district, and long term conversions (such as recharge) over one year of fallowing. The Board also approved allowing for the sale of additional overdraft credits, dependent on the clarification that the sale of them does not come with additional future obligations.

LIMAS and SUSAN LONG gave updates on Watershed Coordinator, Tule Basin Land and Water Conservation Trust, and Multi-Benefit Land Repurposing grant activities. No action was taken.

LIMAS reviewed the determination letter from California Department of Water

Approved

Resources and the State Water Resources Control Board process on the Groundwater

Sustainability Plan of the Tule Sub basin. LIMAS gave an update on meetings held

between the Tule Subbasin and SWRCB staff. No action was taken.

OTHER MATTERS

The Board then went into closed session. Upon reconvening into open

session, it was reported that no action was 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