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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 November 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 John Michael Domondon, Engineer Mark Greenall, Controller Allison Tristao, Resources Coordinator Kirk Masters, Water Resources Superintendent

Others Present:

Alex Peltzer, General Counsel Jim Koontz, General Counsel Lanny Simpson, Hartman Engineering

Landowners and Public:

Susan Long, Seth Merritt, Lance Mouw, Chase Hurley

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BOARD ADMINISTRATION

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

On motion by Director PARREIRA, second by Director SCHOTT and unanimously approved, the minutes of the October 12, 2023, meeting, were approved as presented.

LIMAS reviewed the fall groundwater readings and updated the Board on ET, the LandFlex program, and Transitional water usage. Limas also reviewed the costs of transitional water pumping to the GSA, followed by a discussion of potential transitional rates for 2024. No action was taken.

The Board reviewed and discussed a letter received from Seth Merritt, Merritt Farms. No action was taken.

The Board reviewed bids for land fallowing applications. After discussion, on motion by Director PARREIRA, second by Director DEGROOT, and unanimously approved, the Board approved the application with a bid of \$207 per acre-foot and denied the bid for \$1,030 per acre-foot with half the payment coming up front and half coming at the end of the fallowing period.

LIMAS gave an update on meetings held between the Tule Subbasin and SWRCB staff and progress being made to analyze needed GSP revisions, especially regarding subsidence. No action was taken.

LANNY SIMPSON gave an update on the Watershed Coordinator grant activities. No action was taken.

ALLISON TRISTAO reviewed Multibenefit Land Repurposing Grant activities. No action was taken.

SUSAN LONG, Executive Director of the Tule Basin Land and Water Conservation Trust, reviewed Trust activities. 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