

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
LOWER TULE RIVER IRRIGATION DISTRICT**

The Board of Directors of the Lower Tule River Irrigation District met in a Regular meeting on the 13th day of October 2015, at 9:00 am, at the District office in Tipton, California. The meeting was called to order by President FERNANDES. It was determined the following Directors were in attendance:

Director	Div. 2	2018	JIM COSTA
Director	Div. 3	2016	TOM BARCELLOS
Director	Div. 4	2016	GARY FERNANDES (9:25am)
Director	Div. 1	2018	ALEX GARCIA
Director	Div. 5	2018	JOHN ROELOFFS (9:25am)

District Staff Present: DANIEL G. VINK – General Manager
MIKE BATTLES – Operations Manager
ERIC LIMAS – Business Manager

Guests Present ALEX PELTZER, District Counsel

1. BOARD ADMINISTRATION

On motion by Director COSTA, second by Director GARCIA and unanimously approved, the agenda was approved as presented.

The minutes of the September 8, 2015 Regular meeting were distributed for review prior to the meeting. On motion by Director COSTA, second by Director GARCIA and unanimously approved, the Board accepted the minutes and ordered them placed on file.

General Manager Vink passed out the annual strategic plan for review. No action was taken.

2. WATER RESOURCES

The Board reviewed a variety of water related activities including the current conditions, Cross Valley contract negotiations and federal and state legislative issues. No action was taken.

General Manager VINK and Business Manager LIMAS reviewed with the Board, lands that have been identified within District boundaries that would be suitable to develop into recharge basins. Developing more recharge capability is consistent with the District's strategic plan. No action was taken.

General Manager Vink presented a Section 215 Water Contract offered by the Bureau of Reclamation. After discussion, on motion by Director COSTA, second by Director ROELOFFS and unanimously approved, the Board adopted Resolution 2015-10-1 accepting the 215 Contract and authorizing execution.

The Tule Basin IRWMP group had its first organizational meeting on October 6, 2015. The District needs representatives on the Board and the Advisory committee to that group. President FERNANDES appointed Business Manager Limas as the Board member representative and General Manager Vink as the alternate and appointed Business Manager Limas as the Advisory Committee representative.

The Board then convened into closed session to discuss anticipated litigation. Upon exiting closed session it was reported that no reportable action was taken.

3. SOUTH VALLEY WATER ASSOCIATION

General Manager Vink reviewed activities, work plans and future activities, regarding District representation on water and policy issues in Sacramento, Washington DC and locally, as needed. The SVWA Advisory Committee meeting and activity report was distributed for review prior to the Board meeting. A quarterly call for funds was presented in the amount of \$37,219.52. On motion by Director COSTA, second by Director GARCIA and unanimously approved, the Board authorized payment of the call for funds.

4. DISTRICT OPERATIONS

Construction and Operation activities

Operations Manager Battles reviewed a variety of construction and maintenance activities, reporting that District crews continue to be busy with canal spraying, turnout rehab, structure rehab and canal liner rehab and cleaning out several spots in the Tule River. No action was taken.

Business Manager Limas reviewed a draft master relocation agreement with the High Speed Rail Authority. This agreement will cover relocations of District facilities. After discussion, on motion by Director BARCELLOS, second by Director COSTA and unanimously approved, the Board approved execution of the agreement.

Administrative Activities

General Manager Vink reviewed Resolution 2015-10-2 concerning property APN 279-270-023, which the District has issued a Collector's Deed on, setting the December 8, 2015 meeting date as the date the District will consider adopting a resolution that the property is to be sold. On motion by Director BARCELLOS, second by Director GARCIA and unanimously approved, the Board adopted Resolution 2015-10-2.

Business Manager Limas and General Manager Vink reviewed the proposed 2016 Operations and Maintenance and District Budgets, which were mailed out for review prior to the meeting. After discussion, on motion by Director COSTA, second by Director BARCELLOS and unanimously approved, the Board approved the 2016 budgets as presented.

The Board reviewed the Financial Statements for the month of September 2015. On motion by Director COSTA, second by Director GARCIA and unanimously approved, the Board accepted the September Financials and ordered them placed on file.

The Board reviewed the actions of the Finance Committee in the payment of the September bills. On motion by Director ROELOFFS, second by Director COSTA and

unanimously approved, the Board ratified the actions of the Finance Committee in the payments of the September bills.

5. TULE RIVER ASSOCIATION

The minutes of the Tule River Association meetings were distributed for review prior to the meeting, and as such, are not repeated here. No action was taken.

6. MISCELLANEOUS AGENCIES & AUTHORITIES

Deer Creek & Tule River Authority

The minutes of the Deer Creek & Tule River Association meetings were distributed for review prior to the meeting, and as such, are not repeated here.

7. MEETINGS, HEARINGS & NOTICES

Nothing new to report.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Daniel G. Vink
Secretary