

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL 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 on the 21th day of August 2018, 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	2020	TOM BARCELLOS
Director	Div. 4	2020	GARY FERNANDES
Director	Div. 1	2018	ALEX GARCIA
Director	Div. 5	2018	JOHN ROELOFFS

District Staff present:

Eric Limas, General Manager

Mike Battles, Operations Manager

Guests Present:

Mike Faria, Farmer

Josh Pitigliano, Farmer

Matt Kidder, Farmer

Megan Chicoine, Farm Land Management

Geoff Vanden Huevell, Milk Producers Council

Garry Reizebos, Adair & Evans Accountancy

BOARD ADMINISTRATION

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

The minutes of the July 12, 2018 Special 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.

WATER RESOURCES

General Manager LIMAS reviewed a monthly water use for the month of July. The water run ended on August 19. No action was taken.

LIMAS reviewed activities related to the Friant Kern Canal subsidence/capacity correction and Temperance Flat studies. Operations Manager BATTLES also let the Board know that the District has seen the Friant Kern Canal subsidence affect deliveries at both the Woods Central and Tipton Ditch turnouts. No action was taken.

The Board then met as the Groundwater Sustainability Agency Board. They reviewed Tule Basin MOU Group activities, including work on the basin coordination agreement and Thomas Harder's groundwater flow model. The GSA Board also reviewed progress the Groundwater Planning Commission is making on the Groundwater Sustainability Plan. No action was taken.

SOUTH VALLEY WATER ASSOCIATION

General Manager LIMAS reviewed the South Valley Water Association July executive director memo and notes and August 20 Board meeting discussions. No action was taken.

DISTRICT OPERATIONS

Construction and Operation activities

Operations Manager BATTLES reviewed ongoing maintenance activities, including a review of safety meetings, the water run, grading, spraying, the Poplar pipeline cleanup and the Riparian pipeline project. No action was taken.

LIMAS reviewed Riparian Pipeline Project Phase 1 construction activities and Phase 2 right of way and grant agreement activities. LIMAS recommended that the Board authorize 4 Creeks Engineering to continue right of way work on Phase 2 by completing the 30% level design work, at a cost not to exceed \$15,000 under the project proposal approved in December 2017 and prepare a NEPA document for the Bureau of Reclamation to review as part of the grant agreement for a cost not to exceed \$9,500. After discussion, on motion by Director COSTA, second by Director ROELOFFS and unanimously approved, the Board approved the recommended work to be done.

Administrative Activities

The Board announced that a settlement has been reached and executed with Angiola Water District in the case of Lower Tule River ID et al v. Angiola Water District.

The Board reviewed the financial reports for the month of July 2018. On motion by Director BARCELLOS, second by Director GARCIA and unanimously approved, the Board accepted the July Financials and ordered them placed on file.

Garry Reizebos from Adair and Evans Accountancy presented the 2017 audit report. After review and discussion, on motion by Director BARCELLOS, second by Director COSTA and unanimously approved, the Board accepted the 2017 financial audit and ordered it to be placed on file.

Manager LIMAS presented staff recommendations for adjustments to the 2018 budget for expenses related to the NASA/ASO project (\$35,000 increase), Temperance Flat studies (\$60,000 increase), SGMA implementation (\$70,000 increase), and water purchases (\$4,910,000 increase). After discussion, on motion by Director GARCIA, second by Director BARCELLOS and unanimously approved, the budget adjustments were approved as presented

The Board reviewed the District's current purchase policy and recommended updates. After discussion, on motion by Director COSTA, second by Director ROELOFFS and unanimously approved, the purchase policy was approved with the recommended updates.

Manager LIMAS presented Resolution 2018-8-1, updating the authorized signers for the Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) account. After discussion, on motion by Director BARCELLOS, second by Director COSTA and unanimously approved, the Board adopted Resolution 2018-8-1 authorizing Gary Fernandes, John Roeloffs, Eric Limas and Jarno Mayes as authorized signers on the LAIF account.

The Board reviewed the actions of the Finance Committee in the payment of the July 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 July bills.

MISCELLANEOUS AGENCIES & AUTHORITIES

Tule River Association

LIMAS gave an update of the Success Reservoir Enlargement Project. No action was taken.

Deer Creek & Tule River Authority

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

The District then went into closed session to discuss Real Property Negotiations. After reconvening into open session, it was announced that there was no reportable action 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