

**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 in a meeting on the 12th day of July 2018, at 9:30 am, at the District office in Tipton, California. The meeting was called to order by Vice President ROELOFFS. 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- ABSENT
Director	Div. 1	2018	ALEX GARCIA
Director	Div. 5	2018	JOHN ROELOFFS

District Staff present:

- Eric Limas, General Manager
- Mike Battles, Operations Manager
- John Michael Domondon, District Engineer
- Dan Vink, Senior Policy Advisor

Guests Present:

- Alex Peltzer, General Counsel, Dan Howes, Cal Poly ITRC, David DeGroot, 4Creeks Engineering, Hans Gilkey, Farmland Management Services, Ray Chrispens, member of the public, Allan Becker, Sunworld, Armando Leal, Farmer, Vincent Sola, Farmer, Vincent Sola Jr. Farmer and Paul Greidanus, Farmer

BOARD ADMINISTRATION

The Board joined the Board of Directors of the Pixley Irrigation District for a joint Board meeting.

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

The minutes of the June 12, 2018 regular meeting were distributed for review prior to the meeting. On motion by Director COSTA, second by Director BARCELLOS and unanimously approved, the Board accepted the minutes and ordered them placed on file.

At 9:45 a.m. the Boards then went into Closed Session to discuss pending litigation. Upon reconvening into open session, it was announced that there was no reportable action taken during closed session.

Dr. Dan Howes from Cal Poly ITRC presented a summary of his study of Evapotranspiration for both Districts for the period of 2007-2016. David DeGroot, 4 Creeks Engineering, showed the Boards computer screen shots of what the farmers might see on the website and mobile app once the District received the ET and Net to and from Groundwater calculations from Cal Poly's program and put it into the groundwater accounting system. Howes presented a proposal to continue to develop the data going forward from 2017 through 2019. After discussion, on motion by Director COSTA, second by Director GARCIA, and unanimously approved, the Board approved the Cal Poly proposal.

The Pixley Board then adjourned and left the meeting.

WATER RESOURCES

The Board discussed the current water run. Based on current demand, it is estimated that the current water run will last through August 11. No action was taken.

Manager LIMAS reviewed a proposal from Provost and Pritchard to complete a NEPA/CEQA document to expand the flexibility of CVC water deliveries. After discussion, on motion by Director COSTA, second by Director GARCIA and unanimously approved, the Board approved the proposal.

The Board then met as the Groundwater Sustainability Agency Board. They reviewed Tule Basin MOU Group activities, including work on the basin coordination agreement. The GSA Board also reviewed progress the Groundwater Planning Commission is making on the Groundwater Sustainability Plan. As fiscal agent for the Tule sub-basin MOU Group, the Board discussed the \$1.5 million Prop 1 grant award. After discussion, on motion by Director BARCELLOS, second by Director GARCIA and unanimously approved, the Board authorized execution of the grant agreement based on final review of the General Manager and determined that entering into the agreement is categorically exempt from CEQA under CEQA section 15306.

SOUTH VALLEY WATER ASSOCIATION

Senior Policy Advisor VINK reviewed the South Valley Water Association June meeting memo and notes and a draft Temporary Water Transfer Agreement. After discussion, on motion by Director COSTA, Second by Director GARCIA and unanimously approved, the Board approved the SVWA 3rd quarter call for funds and approved the District's participation in the temporary water transfer agreement.

DISTRICT OPERATIONS

Construction and Operation activities

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

Administrative Activities

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

The Board reviewed the actions of the Finance Committee in the payment of the June bills. On motion by Director COSTA, second by Director BARCELLOS and unanimously approved, the Board ratified the actions of the Finance Committee in the payments of the June bills.

MISCELLANEOUS AGENCIES & AUTHORITIES

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.



APPROVED

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

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Limas
General Manager