

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
PIXLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT**

The Board of Directors of the Pixley Irrigation District met in a regular meeting on the 10th day of February 2011 at 9:00 a.m. at the District office in Tipton, California.

The meeting was called to order by President Atsma. It was determined the following Directors were present:

Director Div.3	Thewis Atsma
Director Div.2	Bill DeGroot
Director Div.5	Frank Junio
Director Div. 1	Raymond Westbrook
Director Div.4	Rusty Schott

Staff present:

Daniel G. Vink, General Manager
Mike Battles, Operations Manager
Eric Limas, Business Manager

BOARD ADMINISTRATION

On motion by Director De Groot, second by Director Schott and unanimously approved, the Agenda was approved as presented.

The minutes of the January 13, 2011 Regular meeting were distributed for review prior to the meeting. On motion by Director Junio, second by Director De Groot the minutes were unanimously approved and ordered placed on file.

The Financial Statements for the month of January were reviewed. On motion by Director Junio, second by Director Westbrook and unanimously approved, the Board accepted the Financial Statements and ordered them placed on file.

The Board reviewed the actions of the Finance Committee in the payment of the January bills prior to the February meeting. On motion by Director De Groot, second by Director Schott and unanimously approved the Board ratified the actions of Finance Committee in the payment of the bills.

The District has received an interest payment from Bitta Toor as part of the land contract

agreement executed in 2010. On motion by Director De Groot, second by Director R.L Westbrook and unanimously approved the Board authorized transferring of the deposited in the amount of \$20,240.00 into the restricted funds account. The restricted funds account can not be used without prior authorization of the Board of Directors.

The Board then considered a budget amendment to the administrative and operations section of the Joint District budget for capital expenditures related with a purchase of a new computer server. On motion by Director Schott, second by Director Junio and unanimously approved the board authorized a budget amendment in the amount of \$17,000.00 for capital expenditures for technology in the administrative and operations joint budget with Lower Tule River ID.

WATER RESOURCES

General Manager Vink reviewed a variety of water resources activities with the Board including the declaration for the Friant Division, which is tentatively set at 100% Class I and uncontrolled season water available on March 1, 2011.

The District is currently running under flood control operations for the Friant Division. After considerable discussion on the sale of water in March, April and May, on motion by Director Junio, second by Director Schott and unanimously approved the Board set the water rate for the spring at \$45.00 per a/f.

General Manager Vink also reported on a minor financing modification to the Stone Corral contract. Stone Corral had received slight changes to their financing amounts for the Bureau 9d contracts. The amounts were approximately \$1000.00 in total per payment. The finalized amounts will be included as EXHIBIT A and attached to the contract. A copy of the financing modification is attached as **EXHIBIT "A"**.

DISTRICT OPERATIONS

Operations & Maintenance

The Board has received a quote from 4-Creeks Engineering to proceed with the development of the CEQA work associated with the expansion of the distribution system on the North-East portion of the District. General Manager Vink indicated that in conversations with Consulting Engineer David De Groot that the contract number might be modified downward to reflect some changes in the biological work. On motion by Director De Groot, second by Director Schott and unanimously approved the Board authorized execution of the agreement

with 4-Creeks Engineering to proceed with the CEQA work pending final review by the General Manager.

Administrative Matters

General Manager Vink reviewed an organizational assessment with the Board. The organizational assessment is an ongoing work for strategic planning and development of a strategic plan for the District.

CROSS VALLEY CANAL

Business Manager Limas and General Manager Vink reviewed a variety of Cross Valley Canal activities with the Board including PWPRAs activities and the continuing negotiation of a long-term contract with the Bureau of Reclamation.

General Manager Vink reported that the environmental work related to the long-term contract has been authorized under a contract with Entrix, Inc. with Lower Tule acting as the lead agency. In addition, General Manager Vink and others will be working with the Bureau and potentially traveling to Washington D.C. to create a pathway with the Bureau for the execution of a contract in 2012.

FRIANT WATER AUTHORITY

The Board reviewed the January 20, 2011 minutes of the Friant Water Authority meeting. The minutes of the meeting have been distributed and as such are not repeated here.

MISC. AUTHORITIES/AGENCIES:

Deer Creek & Tule River Authority

The Board reviewed the January 21, 2011 minutes of the Deer Creek & Tule River Authority meeting. The minutes of the meeting have been distributed and as such are not repeated here.

U.S. DEPT OF INTERIOR/BUREAU OF RECLAMATION:

Nothing new to report.

MEETINGS, HEARINGS, NOTICES:

Nothing new to report.

MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS:

- A. ACWA / JPIA – CVPWA
- C. CWRA
- D. NWRA
- E. Chamber of Commerce
- F. Ag Water Committee
- G. Water Education Foundation
- H. California Farm Water Coalition
- I. Family Water Alliance

There being no further business to be brought to the Boards attention the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel G. Vink
General Manager