

**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 6th day of March 2014, at 9:00 a.m. at the District office in Tipton, California.

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

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| Director Div.3  | Randy Parreira                 |
| Director Div.2  | Bill De Groot                  |
| Director Div.5  | Frank Junio                    |
| Director Div. 1 | Neal Westbrook - <b>ABSENT</b> |
| 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 DeGroot, second by Director Parreira and unanimously approved, the Agenda was approved as presented.

The Minutes of the February 5, 2014 Regular meeting were distributed for review prior to the meeting. On motion by Director Parreira, second by Director Schott and unanimously approved, the Board accepted the February 5, 2014 Regular Meeting minutes and ordered them placed on file.

The Board considered adoption of Resolution 2014-3-1, authorizing withdraw from the Mid-Valley Water Authority pursuant to discussion at the January meeting. On motion by Director DeGroot, second by Director Parreira and unanimously approved the Board authorized Resolution 2014-3-1. A copy of Resolution 2014-3-1, is attached as

## **EXHIBIT "A".**

### **WATER RESOURCES**

#### Water Supply

General Manager VINK reviewed with the Board a variety of water resource related activities. It continues to be an extremely dry year throughout California with the Friant Declaration remaining at zero for 2014. General Manager VINK reported for the first time in the history of the Central Valley Project, the Bureau of Reclamation is planning to use San Joaquin River water, which is historically allocated to Friant Contractors, to meet Exchange Contract demand under the original exchange agreements. If that were to happen, there would end up being virtually no water to the Friant Contractors outside of a small amount of 2013 carry-over water and about 9,000 acre-feet of February unreleased restoration flow water.

At approximately 9:30 am, the Board went into Closed Session to discuss a variety of groundwater activities accordance with Government Code Section 54956.9. Upon coming out of Closed Session, it was reported that no action was taken.

The Board then spent time discussing the Groundwater Task Force Committee landowner meeting held at the Heritage Complex on March 5, 2014. The Task Force continues to work on groundwater sustainability in the District. No action was taken.

The Board reviewed the Water Rights application prepared for Appropriation of Water from Deer Creek. After considerable discussion, on motion by Director Schott, seconded by Director DeGroot, the Board authorized filing of the application with the State Water Resources Control Board for an annual appropriation of up to 10,000 acre-feet, from Deer Creek. On motion by Director Parreira, seconded by Director Schott the and unanimously approved, the Board also authorized the requisite filing fee required with the application in the amount of \$150,850.00.

### **DISTRICT OPERATIONS**

#### Operations & Maintenance

The Board reviewed a variety of Construction and Maintenance activities including an extensive briefing on the Avenue 116 project.

Operations Manager Battles then reviewed with the Board the need to purchase

three light duty trucks to stay within the District's Vehicle Equipment Replacement plan. Even though it is a dry year, it is necessary to stay with the replacement plan to avoid getting behind and having to spend additional money in future years. On motion by Director DeGroot second by Director Schott and unanimously approved, the Board authorized purchase of three light duty trucks. Included in the motion, was also the ratification of a purchase of a bottom dump trailer for the operations and maintenance fund. The bottom-dump trailer was purchased as part of the Halopoff Construction going out of business sale.

#### Administrative Matters

The Board reviewed the Financial Statements for the month of February 2014. On motion by Director Parreira second by Director DeGroot 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 February bills. On motion by Director Parreira second by Director DeGroot and unanimously approved, the Board ratified the actions of the Finance Committee in the payment of the February bills.

#### CROSS-VALLEY

General Manager Vink reported on Cross Valley Long-term Interim Renewal contract discussions at was held on February 6, 2014 in Sacramento and the recent execution of the two-year Interim Renewal contracts.

#### FRIANT WATER AUTHORITY

The Board reviewed the February 27, 2014 minutes of the Friant Water Authority. The minutes of the Friant Water Authority meeting were distributed for review prior to the meeting, and as such, are not repeated here.

#### SOUTH VALLEY WATER BANKING AUTHORITY

The Board reviewed the March 4, 2014 minutes of the South Valley Water Banking Authority. In addition, prior to the Regular meeting a landowner meeting was held.

The minutes of the South Valley Water Banking Authority meeting were distributed for review prior to the meeting, and as such, are not repeated here.

**MISC. AUTHORITIES/AGENCIES:**

Deer Creek & Tule River Authority

The Deer Creek and Tule River Authority will be having its meeting on March 15, 2014.

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

Nothing new to report.

**MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS:**

1. ACWA / JPIA – Nothing new to report
2. California Farm Water Coalition – Nothing new to report

At approximately 9:45am, the Board left the District Boardroom for a tour on the Avenue 116 project. No action was taken on that tour.

Upon returning from the tour, there being no further business be brought to the Board's attention and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Vink  
General Manager