

**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 Special Joint meeting with the Lower Tule River Irrigation District Board of Directors on the 8th day of December 2015, 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:

Director Div.3	Randy Parreira
Director Div.2	Bill DeGroot
Director Div.5	Frank Junio
Director Div. 1	Neal Westbrook
Director Div.4	Rusty Schott

***District Staff present:***

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

***Guests Present:***

Alex Peltzer, District Counsel  
Clifton Lollar  
Rod Stiefvater  
Preston Britton

**BOARD ADMINISTRATION**

On motion by Director Parreira, second by Director Westbrook and unanimously approved, the Agenda was approved as presented.

General Manager VINK, presented recommendations for staffing and salary changes. After discussion, on motion by Director DeGroot, second by Director Westbrook and unanimously approved, the Board approved the recommendations as presented including the



appointment of Eric Limas as Assistant General Manager for the Districts.

General Manager VINK then presented the Cost of Living for 2016. After discussion, on motion by Director Schott, second by Director DeGroot, and unanimously approved, the Board approved a 0.50% Cost of Living Adjustment for employees for 2016.

General Manager Vink and Business Manager Limas reviewed the update of the Districts strategic plan. After review and discussion, on motion by Director Westbrook, second by Director Schott and unanimously approved, the Board adopted the updated strategic plan as presented.

The Boards then convened into closed session to confer with legal counsel to discuss anticipated litigation. Upon exiting closed session it was reported that no reportable action was taken.

At this point, the Pixley Board of Directors adjourned the meeting to be reconvened on December 10, 2015.

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The Board of Directors of the Pixley Irrigation District reconvened their adjourned meeting from December 8, 2015 on the 10th day of December 2015, 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 DeGroot                   |
| Director Div.5  | Frank Junio                    |
| Director Div. 1 | Neal Westbrook - <b>ABSENT</b> |
| Director Div.4  | Rusty Schott                   |

***District Staff present:***

- Daniel G. Vink, General Manager
- Eric Limas, Business Manager

**BOARD ADMINISTRATION**

The Minutes of the November 5, 2015 Regular meeting were distributed for review prior

to the meeting. On motion by Director DeGroot, second by Director Schott and unanimously approved, the Board accepted the November 5, 2015 Regular meeting minutes and ordered them placed on file.

The Board discussed the annual Board Reorganization. On motion by Director Parreira, second by Director DeGroot and unanimously approved, the Board ratified the current slate of officers and appointments for the upcoming year.

### **WATER RESOURCES**

The Board reviewed a variety of water related activities including the current conditions, Groundwater Steering Committee activities and Cross Valley contract negotiations. No action was taken.

### **SOUTH VALLEY WATER ASSOCIATION**

General Manager Vink reviewed activities, work plans, future activities, and current federal and state legislative activities. The SVWA Advisory Committee meeting and activity report was distributed for review prior to the Board meeting. No action was taken.

### **DISTRICT OPERATIONS**

Business Manager Limas reviewed a variety of construction and maintenance activities, an update of the Ave 116 expansion project and reporting that District crews continue to be busy with removing dead trees in several spots in the Tule River. No action was taken.

A public hearing was opened, where Business Manager Limas presented for review the updated environmental documents associated with revised expansion of the Avenue 116 project. On motion by Director DeGroot, second by Director Parreira and unanimously approved, the Board adopted Resolution 2015-12-1 finalizing the CEQA documents and filing the Notice of Determination. A copy of Resolution 2015-12-1 is attached as **EXHIBIT "A"**. The public hearing was closed.

Business Manager Limas reported on grant funding through the US Bureau of Reclamation Drought Resiliency program. A quote was received from 4Creeks engineering to prepare a grant application for the Avenue 116 Expansion Project in the amount of \$4,000. After discussion, on motion by Director DeGroot, second by Director Parreira and unanimously approved, the Board approved the estimate to prepare the grant application.

### Administrative Matters

Business Manager Limas presented Resolution 2015-12-2, terminating the right of redemption on a Collector's Deed taken on APN 313-220-005. On motion by Director Schott, second by Director Parreira and unanimously approved, the Board approved Resolution 2015-12-2. A copy of the resolution is attached as **EXHIBIT "B"**.

The Board reviewed the Financial Statements for the month of November 2015. On motion by Director DeGroot, second by Director Parreira and unanimously approved, the Board accepted the Financial Statements and ordered them placed on file.

The Board reviewed the District Investment Policy. On motion by Director DeGroot, second by Director Schott and unanimously approved, the Board re-adopted the current Investment Policy with no changes.

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

### **SOUTH VALLEY WATER BANKING AUTHORITY**

General Manager Vink provided an update. No action was taken.

### **MISC. AUTHORITIES/AGENCIES:**

#### 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.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Vink  
General Manager