



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

The Board of Directors of the Pixley Irrigation District convened the regular meeting of March 8, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. at the District office in Tipton, California. The meeting was called to order by Board 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:

Eric Limas, General Manager
Mike Battles, Operations Manager
Dan Vink, Senior Policy Advisor

Guests Present:

Zach Foster – Sunworld
Jennifer Spaletta – Special Counsel

BOARD ADMINISTRATION

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

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

WATER RESOURCES

General Manager Limas gave an overview of Millerton and Success reservoir conditions. Limas also reviewed a program where westside CVP water was able to be

purchased to meet District exchange obligations in lieu of CVC water that was not able to be pumped from the Delta.

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. Dan Vink reported on a meeting with DWR to discuss acceptable methods of water quality and water consumption measurement. No action was taken.

SOUTH VALLEY WATER ASSOCIATION

The minutes and Board packet of the South Valley Water Association meetings are distributed for review prior to the meeting, and as such, are not repeated here. The Board discussed Temperance Flat MOU group activities. No action was taken.

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SOUTH VALLEY WATER BANKING AUTHORITY

Assistant Manager Limas gave an update of this project. No action was taken.

DISTRICT OPERATIONS

Construction and Operation activities

Operations Manager Battles reviewed ongoing maintenance activities, including grading, canal dipping, new turnout installations, construction of the Burns Basin, Pioneer and Teapot Dome maintenance, Pixley SCADA project and the starting of the Riparian pipeline project. Also discussed was the sale of equipment at a recent auction, the recent theft of fuel at the Pixley shop and replacement of pins and bushings needed on the excavator. No action was taken.

Administrative Activities

The Board went into closed session to talk about existing and threatened litigation. Upon reconvening to open session, it was announced that there was no reportable action taken during closed session.

The Board reviewed the Financial reports for the month of February 2018. On motion by Director Westbrook, second by Director DeGroot and unanimously approved, the Board

accepted the February Financials and ordered them placed on file.

The Board reviewed proposed updates to the Employee Handbook. After discussion, on motion by Director Westbrook, second by Director DeGroot and unanimously approved, the Board approved the proposed updates.

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

Limas reported that he was contacted by a professor from UCLA on behalf of Environmental Science Program students who are doing their senior project on water delivery systems of both on farm and district facilities. The board agreed that the District should work with them as well as some of the individual farmers.

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.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Limas
General Manager