



**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 a regular meeting on February 14, 2019, 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 - <b>ABSENT</b>
Director Div.5	Frank Junio
Director Div. 1	Neal Westbrook - <b>ABSENT</b>
Director Div.4	Rusty Schott

***District Staff present:***

Eric Limas, General Manager  
Mike Battles, Operations Manager  
Alex Peltzer, General Counsel (via telephone)

***Guests Present:***

Allan Becker, Sunworld, Katie Musser, Sunworld, Geoff VandenHuevel, California Milk Producers Council

**BOARD ADMINISTRATION**

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

The minutes of the January 10, 2019 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 minutes and ordered them placed on file.

**WATER RESOURCES**

Manager LIMAS reviewed current statewide and local water conditions. The Friant Class 1 allocation is 88% Class 1. No action was taken.

LIMAS reviewed activities related to the Friant Kern Canal Water Quality policy, subsidence/capacity correction and Temperance Flat studies. No action was taken.

The Board then met as the Groundwater Sustainability Agency Board. LIMAS reviewed discussions and issues that have been taken up by the GPC, including the January for landowner meetings, updates to Chapters 1, 2 and 4 and proposed projects being discussed by the GPC. No action was taken.

The Board reviewed Tule Basin MOU Group activities, including work on the basin coordination agreement, basin groundwater flow model and discussions related to subsidence. No action was taken.

### **SOUTH VALLEY WATER ASSOCIATION**

Manager LIMAS reviewed the South Valley Water Association report provided by Executive Director DAN VINK. No action was taken.

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

Manager Limas gave an update of this project. Due to the outcome of litigation, the SVWBA Board vacated the approvals of the Pixley Water Bank project and the CEQA document related to the project. The Board discussed alternate projects. No action was taken.

### **DISTRICT OPERATIONS**

#### **Construction and Operation activities**

Operations Manager BATTLES reviewed ongoing maintenance activities, including a review of safety meetings, facility safety inspections, grading, canal maintenance, annual maintenance on the Teapot Dome and Pioneer systems and the Riparian pipeline project activities. BATTLES also reviewed the District's Spill Prevention and Containment plan and reported that the oil and fuel tanks need to be inspected, per the plan and recent inspection by Tulare County. No Action was taken.

Manager LIMAS reviewed a proposal from Provost & Pritchard to prepare a CEQA document and prepare 30% construction design documents for Phase 1 of the Westside

distribution system expansion project. After discussion, on motion by Director PARRIEIRA, second by Director SCHOTT, and unanimously approved, the Board approved the proposal.

#### Administrative Activities

The Board convened into closed session with General Counsel PELTZER. Upon reconvening into open session, it was reported that no reportable action was taken in closed session.

The Board reviewed the Financial reports for the month of January. On motion by Director PARREIRA, second by Director SCHOTT and unanimously approved, the Board accepted the January Financials and ordered them placed on file.

The Board reviewed the actions of the Finance Committee in the payment of the January bills. On motion by Director SCHOTT, second by Director PARREIRA and unanimously approved, the Board ratified the actions of the Finance Committee in the payments of the January 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.

#### **OTHER MATTERS**

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

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Limas  
General Manager