

# MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LOWER TULE RIVER IRRIGATION DISTRICT

The Board of Directors of the Lower Tule River Irrigation District met on the 13th day of September 2022, at 9:00 am. The meeting was called to order by President BARCELLOS. It was determined the following Directors were in attendance:

Director	Div. 2	2022	JIM COSTA
Director	Div. 3	2024	TOM BARCELLOS
Director	Div. 4	2024	FRANK MENDONSA
Director	Div. 1	2022	ALEX GARCIA
Director	Div. 5	2022	JOSH PITIGLIANO

## District Staff present:

Eric Limas, General Manager Mike Battles, Assistant Manager Mark Greenall, Controller

#### Others Present:

Alex Peltzer, General Counsel
Louie Tristao, Farmer
Mike Faria, Farmer
Stacie Ann Silva, Altum, Aqua Logic

### **BOARD ADMINISTRATION**

On motion by Director MENDONSA, second by Director GARCIA and unanimously approved, the agenda was approved as presented.

On motion by Director GARCIA, second by Director MENDONSA, and unanimously approved, the minutes of the August 9, 2022 meeting were approved as presented.



## **WATER RESOURCES**

Manager LIMAS reviewed current water conditions. The Friant Water Year 2022 initial allocation remains at 30% Class 1. The CVC allocation is currently 0%. The District water run began on July 11 and ended on August 20. LIMAS reviewed water delivery data. No action was taken.

## **FRIANT WATER AUTHORITY**

LIMAS, reviewed activities related to the Friant Kern Canal operations, the water quality ad-hoc committee activities, and subsidence/capacity correction activities. No action was taken.

## **DISTRICT OPERATIONS**

# Construction and Operation activities

MIKE BATTLES reviewed water operations and canal maintenance activities. Safety meetings were held, shop and facility inspections were performed. BATTLES reported on well permits that have been reviewed. O&M on the Teapot Dome/Pioneer/Vandalia and Campbell Moreland systems were performed. Construction projects are ongoing at Teapot Dome and Vandalia. BATTLES gave an update on the Lateral 4 and Eastside capacity improvement projects going on in Pixley. No action was taken.

BATTLES reviewed bids received for the Cal Trans STR190 and Westwood Siphon Extension Project. Four bids were received. After discussion, on motion by Director COSTA, second by Director GARCIA, and unanimously approved, the Board approved the bid from Floyd Johnston Construction in the amount of \$740,032.

LIMAS reviewed draft updates on the District Policy on Use of Recharge Facilities. After discussion, on motion by Director PITIGLIANO, second by Director COSTA and unanimously approved, the Board approved the updated policy.



### Administrative Activities

The Board reviewed the financial reports for the month of August. On motion by Director COSTA, second by Director GARCIA and unanimously approved, the Board approved the financial reports.

The Board reviewed the bills paid for the month of August. On motion by Director PITIGLIANO, second by Director COSTA and unanimously approved, the Board approved the bills paid.

## **MISCELLANEOUS AGENCIES & AUTHORITIES**

## Tule River Association

LIMAS gave an update on the Success Power Project including contract renewal options. No action was taken.

LIMAS reported on the progress on the Success Reservoir Enlargement Project construction and real estate purchase activities. No Action was taken.

## Deer Creek & Tule River Authority

LIMAS reviewed DCTRA activities, the minutes of the meetings are distributed for review prior to the meeting, and as such, are not repeated here. No Action was taken.

The Board reviewed Resolution 2022-9-1 Considering transfer of a portion of APN 302-240-018. After discussion, on motion by Director COSTA, second by Director GARCIA, and unanimous approval, the Board approved Resolution 2022-9-1.

LIMAS presented an Agreement for Common Use and Management of Property. After discussion, on motion by Director COSTA, second by Director PITIGLIANO and unanimously approved, the Board approved the agreement.



# **OTHER MATTERS**

The Board then went into closed session. Upon reconvening into open session, it was reported that there were no reportable actions taken during closed session.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Limas

General Manager