

NORTH SAN JOAQUIN WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Lodi Police Department Community Room
215 W. Elm Street, Lodi CA

Monday March 18, 2016

MINUTES

1. Call to Order/Roll Call - President Valente called the meeting to order at 2:02 PM

President Joe Valente
Vice President Tom Flinn
Secretary David Simpson
Treasurer Hugh Scanlon
Director Marden Wilber

General Counsel Jennifer Spaletta
Special Legal Counsel Roger Masuda-Absent
Consultant Walt Sadler
Deputy Secretary Shasta Burns

2. Correspondence/Announcements

Treasurer Scanlon reviewed the EBMUD mailings regarding their recent company updates.

3. Action Items

A. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the Minutes of the February 18, 2016 Regular Board Meeting, made by Director Wilber, second by Vice President Flinn. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Monthly Financial Reports and Invoice/Expense Payments

Treasurer Scanlon reviewed the financial reports, the proposed list of invoices, and expenses to be paid. Treasurer Scanlon expressed some of the monthly bills have been received, and still waiting on a few due to the early meeting. A motion to pay all invoices, and pre-approve other monthly bills before the next scheduled board meeting, made by Secretary Simpson, and second by Director Wilber. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Tracy Lake Current Financial Reports

Treasurer Scanlon reviewed recent expenditures and account balances with the Board, and checks to be written by the next regular scheduled board meeting. Treasurer Scanlon updated the board on the Tracy Lakes Money Market Account, which is now a closed. A motion to review and authorize all bills to be paid before the next regular scheduled board meeting, made by Vice President Flinn, and second by Secretary Simpson. The motion passed unanimously.

D. Discussion to transfer or change Comcast telephone services.

This motion was passed at the February Board meeting. Action has been taken.

E. Update on DREAM Groundwater Banking Demonstration Project

General Counsel Spaletta informed the board that the project is moving along as scheduled. All CEQA Document comments are due April 14, 2016. Updated CEQA information can be found on the Districts website. Operations and Funding Agreements have been reviewed and are being negotiated. \$1.75 million dollars of the partial fund money will be disbursed in July 2016. Direction given for Consultant Sadler to start work on the Bid Package for presentation and

review at the April Board Meeting. Two members of the Board will be meeting with the Joint Powers Authority as representatives of the NSJWCD.

F. Tracy Lakes Improvement - No update at this time

G. Consider adoption of the 2016 surface water rates, which rates for the Tracy Lake Improvement District and South System, which rates cannot exceed the rates approved pursuant to the completed Proposition 218 process and rate study from January 2015.

Resolution 2016-03

A motion to set a surface water rate in the amount of \$50.00 per acre foot- no meter required, based on the specific crop use, and with assumption of 3 irrigation uses, made by Secretary Simpson, second by Vice president Flinn. Roll Call: Vice President Flinn: Aye, Secretary Simpson: Aye, Treasurer Scanlon: Aye, Director Wilber: Aye, and President Valente: Aye. 5:0 vote. The motion passed unanimously.

H. South System Pump and Distribution System

- a. Discuss facility operation for 2016 irrigation season
- b. Action as needed on repair or facilities preparation for operation.

Both **a & b** we discussed together. Consultant Sadler reviewed Lodi Pumps findings on the efficiency of the pumps. One pump is inoperable. Two pumps operate at low efficiency and repairs would be expensive. Since those two pumps may have limited operation for the 2016 season, Walt made a decision to re-install them as-is. A new magnetic style Flow Meter is needed. A recommendation from Special Counsel Spaletta was to form a Work Group meeting with interested land owners, and with concurrence set a date to run the pump around the first part of May. No action needed at this time.

I. Sustainable Groundwater Management Act- Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA)

- a. Review of GSA Filings- Correspondence from Lockeford Community Service District regarding a Memorandum of Understanding to talk with the NSJWCD at a later date.
- b. Update on DWR Basin Boundary Modification Request- Vice President Flinn attended the Work Group Meeting. The consensus of the meeting was a common understanding of all the Districts working together. Vice President Flinn also reported that it was a positive work group, and things are moving forward.
- c. Update on Draft DWR Regulations- Regulations comments are due April 1, 2016

4. Discussion Items

- A.** Water Supply conditions- Handout given by General Counsel Spaletta – annual run off is increasing.
- B.** Update of existing system and proposed projects map for website- Map will be supplied by Consultant Saddler at the April Board Meeting.
- C.** South System Rehabilitation Project
 - a. Review Map of South Distribution System Pipeline Segment Status after CCTV Inspection – No discussion at this time.
 - b. Report on Lodi Pump Evaluation of South Pump Station – No discussion at this time
 - c. Permitting and Construction Timeline – No discussion at this time

- D. Review Board Responsibilities for 2016 Calendar Year- The Board Responsibilities were reviewed and will be attached for review at the April Board Meeting, and available upon request.
- E. Form 700's- All Form 700's have been received - Certificate of Completion will be filed before the April 1st, 2016 deadline.
- F. Ethics Training Reminder - President Joe Valente attended Ethics Training- Certificate of Completion is available upon request.

5. Director and Staff Reports

- A. Presidents Report –No report at this time.
- B. General Counsel Spaletta – No report at this time.
- C. Consultant Saddler - No report at this time.
- D. Committee Reports – Secretary Simpson reported that the Nakagawa CALFED Pump Discussion will be postponed until a later date. The Nakagawa family is busy at this time.
- E. Other – No reports at this time.

6. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda - No public comments at this time

7. Closed Session- The Board entered into closed session at **3:54 p.m.**

Closed Session pursuant to Section 54956.9
CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - PENDING LITIGATION - One Case
Administrative Hearings regarding California Water Fix Petitions for Change, Protest

Closed Session pursuant to Section 54956.8
CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS
Property: Easements; Negotiator: General Counsel Jennifer Spaletta and Director David Simpson; Parties: Landowners along district facilities; Under negotiation: Price, terms.

Closed Session pursuant to Section 54956.9(b):
CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION - One Case

8. Return to Open Session – The Board returned to open session at **4:20 p.m.**
President Valente reported- no reportable action taken.

9. Adjournment -

Motion to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting, made by Secretary Simpson, second by President Valente. The motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at **4:20 p.m.**

Next Regular Board Meeting on April 25, 2016, 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

David Simpson, Secretary

Joe Valente, President