

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

Lodi Library Community Room, 201 West Locust Street, Lodi CA

Monday July 30, 2018

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

- 1. Call to Order - Roll Call - Acceptance of Agenda** - The meeting was called to order by President Valente at 2:04 pm. A motion for the acceptance of the Agenda for the meeting of July 30, 2018, made by Vice President Flinn, second by Treasurer Starr. Motion passed unanimously. 4/0/0.

President Joe Valente - Area 3
Vice President Tom Flinn - Area 2
Secretary David Simpson – Area 1
Treasurer Charles Starr – Area 4
Director Marden Wilber – Area 5 - Absent

General Counsel Jennifer Spaletta
Special Counsel Roger Masuda - Absent
John Podesta – District Engineer
Deputy Secretary Shasta Burns

- 2. Correspondence/Announcements-** Secretary Simpson reviewed a letter hand delivered to the District. A response to the letter will be prepared by General Counsel Spaletta and mailed as necessary.

- 3. Action Items**

Note: Votes recorded as: For/Against/Abstention (name)

- A.** Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Scheduled Board Meeting on June 21, 2018 and the Special Meeting Minutes for June 29, 2018 and July 6, 2018. – A motion to receive and file the Minutes the Regular Scheduled Board Meeting on June 21, 2018 and the Special Meeting Minutes for June 29, 2018 and July 6, 2018, made by Vice President Flinn, second Treasurer Starr. Motion passed 4/0/0.
- B.** Monthly Financial Reports and Invoice/Expense Payments – Treasurer Starr reviewed the District’s monthly financial reports. A motion to receive and file the District’s monthly financial reports from the county account to the Districts including a warrant transfer from the District’s County account into the District’s checking account in the amount of \$100,000.00, made by Secretary Simpson, second by. Motion passed 4/0/0.
- C.** Budget Review and Adjustments – Vice President Flinn reviewed Budgeting topics with additional contingency funds
- D.** Tracy Lake Financial Reports – Treasurer Starr reviewed the monthly financial statement for Tracy Lake. Monthly bills were reviewed. Discussion of ongoing operating costs for next year. A motion to receive and file the Tracy Lake monthly financial reports made by Secretary Simpson, second by Vice President Flinn. Motion passed 4/0/0. Discussion of Tracy Lake tree removal and fish screen cleaning around the pump station. Direction to proceed with estimate presented for the cleaning around the Tracy Lakes pump Station with the Tracy Lakes Committee Meeting approval on July 31, 2018.
- E.** Water Supply Conditions Report -General Counsel Spaletta reviewed attachment in the Board meeting packet, NSJWCD Direct Diversion right has now ended.

1. Review Operations Schedule – General Counsel Spaletta reviewed releases. Discussion of current pumps that the District is running and the status of water flowing.

F. South System

1. Pump Station – General Counsel Spaletta reviewed current Arnaudo Construction and Moore Biological activity. General Counsel will contact EBMUD to stop releases for the District. Arnaudo Construction is moving along.
2. Discussion of South System Surface Water Users Improvement District Petition for Formation - General Counsel Spaletta reviewed current landowner acreage that have given consent to sign the South System Petition for Formation. Additional landowner commitment needs to be given before the petition is presented to the Board of Directors. Progress is being made.
3. Report on pipeline/valve maintenance – Action as necessary. Arnaudo Construction completed the work and the old valves have been removed and recycled. No action taken at this time.

G. 2018 USBR WaterSmart Grant Opportunities

1. Small-Scale Water Efficiency Projects Grants \$75,000 – due July 31, 2018– General Counsel reported on the small-scale grant opportunities.
 - i. Resolution 2018-12: A motion to adopt RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NORTH SAN JOAQUIN WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT TO APPLY FOR A SMALL-SCALE WATER EFFICIENCY GRANT FOR THE SOUTH SYSTEM MASTER CONTROL PROJECT made by Vice President Flinn, second by Treasurer Starr. Roll Call: Starr: Aye, Simpson: Aye, Flinn: Aye, Valente: Aye. Motion passed 4/0/0. Wilber: Absent.

H. SGMA/JPA Update –

1. Discuss determination of thresholds of significance for groundwater levels – Vice President Flinn reviewed last meeting attended and Advisory Water Committee meeting updates. The determination for monitoring wells and necessary level of yearly historical data to report data against a specific threshold, and direction needed for reporting purposes in the future. A motion to engage Provost and Prichard to attend the SGMA Technical Meeting on the second Wednesday of each month on behalf of the District in the amount not to exceed \$3,000.00 a month, which would include a monthly report back to the Board, made by Secretary Simpson, second by Vice President Flinn. Motion passed unanimously.

I. Cal-Feb/Woodbridge System

a. Costa Recharge Project – General Counsel Spaletta reported that the District will run the Costa Recharge Project for a second year. The District has budgeted more funding to this project this fiscal year. A motion to engage Provost & Prichard on a separate task order to oversee and evaluate the Costa Recharge Project with an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00 made by Secretary Simpson, second by Treasurer Starr. Motion passed unanimously.

J. North System – No new information at this time.

K. Dream Project

1. Status update on Facilities/operations – Covered in above Action items.
2. Monitoring Committee- Secretary Simpson reviewed progress. Eastern Water Alliance representative has been chosen.

- L. Discuss General Manager/Engineering/Labor Services for the District and proposals from Provost & Prichard and Stockton East Water District – Action taken in above Action Items for Provost & Prichard engagement. A motion to increase John Podesta’s rate of pay to \$100 per hour effective July 1, 2018, made by Secretary Simpson, second Vice President Flinn. Motion passed unanimously.
- M. Update on Gallo – Proposed Winery Project – Still waiting for the Environmental Impact Review at this time.
- N. Update on Water Quality Control Plan – Final SED for Lower San Joaquin River and Framework for Sacramento River, Delta, and Tributaries. – General Counsel Spaletta has reviewed the new Framework standards for different beneficial uses. New water right enforcement and standards are being proposed and dedicated for Fish and Wildlife uses and discussed in detail and its phases. Comments on final document are due July 31, 2018, and a hearing will be held on August 21 & 22, 2018. General Counsel Spaletta is actively participating in Phase II.

4. Director and Staff Reports

- A. President’s Report – Recent tours attended were discussed.
- B. General Counsel Spaletta – No report at this time.
- C. District Manager/Engineer John Podesta – N/A
- D. Committee Reports – No report at this time.
- E. Other – no other reports at this time

5. **Public Comment** – Public Comments regarding District’s potential sale of water were discussed.

6. **Closed Session** – The Board entered Closed Session at 4:03 **PM on Monday, June 25, 2018. The meeting returned to open session at 4:40 PM. There was no reportable action.**

8. **Adjournment** - Motion to adjourn the NSJWCD Regular Meeting by Secretary Simpson, second by Vice President Flinn, motion passed 4/0/0. Meeting adjourned 4:45 PM. **(Note: Item 7 not on Agenda or in Minutes)**

**** The next regular scheduled Board Meeting August 27, 2018, at the Lodi Library Community Room 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM****

The above minutes of the North San Joaquin Water Conservation District Board of Directors Meeting of August 27, 2018.

Respectfully submitted:

Shasta Burns, Deputy Secretary