

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

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

Monday May 21, 2018

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

1. **Call to Order - Roll Call - Acceptance of Agenda** - The meeting was called to order by President Valente at 2:00 pm. A motion for the acceptance of the Agenda for the meeting of April 30, 2018, made by Treasurer Starr, second by Vice President Flinn. 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 - Absent
Deputy Secretary Shasta Burns

2. **Correspondence/Announcements-** Application referrals from the Community Development Department were reviewed regarding land use issues.

3. **Action Items** Note: Votes recorded as: For/Against/Abstention (name)

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Scheduled Board Meeting on April 30, 2018. – A motion to receive and file the Minutes of April 30, 2018 with the correction of Tom Flinn being in attendance, made by Secretary Simpson, second by Vice President Flinn. Motion passed 3/0/1 (Flinn).
- 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 and additional late bills due to The Coloring Book. Late bills are to be paid before the next scheduled Board Meeting, made by Secretary Simpson, second by Treasurer Starr. Motion passed 4/0/0.
- C. Budget Review and Adjustments – Vice President Flinn reviewed Budgeting topics and concerns of adjustments that need to be made. A Budget Workshop was held on May 14, 2018. The 2018/2019 Budget will be adopted at the regular scheduled Board Meeting in June.
- D. Tracy Lake Financial Reports – Treasurer Starr reviewed the monthly financial statement for Tracy Lake. Monthly bills were reviewed. Committee meeting was held last week. Discussion of ongoing operating costs for next year. A motion to receive and file the Districts Tracy Lake monthly financial reports made by Secretary Simpson, second by Vice President Flinn. Motion passed 4/0/0.
- E. Water Supply Conditions Report -General Counsel Spaletta reviewed handout, Direct Diversion Season is coming to a close. EBMUD is storing water as opposed to releasing at this point in the year. Department of Fish and Wildlife are doing a pulse flow and using a portion of the Districts water right to do so.
- F. South System
 1. Pump Station – No report at this time. Moving along as scheduled

2. Discussion of South System Surface Water Users Improvement District Petition for Formation - General Counsel Spaletta reviewed the contents of the voluntary South System Improvement District petition and its details. No action taken at this time but an extended invitation for a Public Meeting on June 14, 2018 at 5:30 pm at the Lodi District Grape Festival Grounds - Burgundy Hall. Public will be able to provide comments at this time. The petition will be mailed to landowners before the Public Meeting.
 3. Report on pipeline/valve maintenance – action as necessary. Arnaudo Construction will start work this week.
 4. Discuss SEWD out of district sales along Bear Creek – General Counsel reported out-of-district sales to this geographical area will occur in 2018.
- G. 2018 USBR WaterSmart Grant Opportunities**
1. South Pump Station Automation Project Grant Application Submitted – General Counsel reported a \$300,000 grant application was submitted on May 10, 2018. 17 letters of support were received in support of the District's project and application, along with 13 local landowners support letters.
 2. Small-Scale Water Efficiency Projects Grants \$75,000- due July 31, 2018
 - i. Valve/Meters at Tretheway & Brandt
 - ii. Replace last segment of pipe/add meter before Pixley Slough - General Counsel Spaletta explained qualifying projects along the South System that could potentially benefit and qualify from these grant monies.
 3. Authorize Contract/Budget for Engineering and Legal Services for Small Scale Grant Applications with Provost & Prichard - A motion to authorize Contract with Provost & Prichard in the amount of \$20,000 for the next two grant applications for the Small-Scale Water Efficiency Projects, made by Vice President Flinn, second by Treasurer Starr. Motion passed unanimously 4/0/0
 4. Discuss Water Marketing Grant with County, EBMUD, SEWD – General Counsel Spaletta reviewed the planning and implementation of groundwater programs and the District's qualifications for the South System and the additional work that would be put into this grant. No action taken at this time.
 5. Letters to terminate \$1 mil 2017 WaterSmart Grant due to failure of Prop. 218 proceeding – General Counsel Spaletta reviewed the formality of the termination of the \$1 mil 2017 WaterSmart Grant. A motion to have General Counsel Spaletta submit a letter for termination made by Treasurer Starr, second by Vice President Flinn. Motion passed unanimously. 4/0/0
- H. Update on Gallo – Proposed Winery Project -** No update at this time. Board of Supervisors will have a meeting of the neighboring landowners at the Gallo Field Office on Kennefick Road.
- I. SGMA/JPA Update –** President Valente attended the last meeting and reported on the outreach being done at this time.
- J. Cal-Feb/Woodbridge System**
- a. Discuss Budget for 2018 operations – Maintenance discussions on the Nakagawa Property and authorize budget for Sustainable Conservation. A motion to have \$15,000 for operating the Cal-Fed/Woodbridge System Budget for 2018 for the O & M of the Cal-Feb Project made by Secretary Simpson, second by Vice President Flinn. Motion passed unanimously. 4/0/0
 - b. Discuss Prop 1 Grant Proposal for Waste water recycling project – General Counsel Spaletta reviewed waste water recycling recharge and irrigation project

concept. A proposal for grant and cost for the project are being discussed for Board Presentation at the June Board Meeting. Informational purposes only at this time.

- K.** North System – General Counsel Spaletta reviewed proposal from Jane Wagner-Tyack, and discussion groups funded by the county for educational purposes and SGMA. A motion to move forward with discussion groups funded by the county for educational purposes and SGMA, made by Vice President Flinn, second by Secretary Starr. Motion passed unanimously. 4/0/0
- L.** Draft 2018-2019 Budget – Memo and Draft Budget reviewed in the Meeting Packet, and discussion of changes for Board Action at the June Board Meeting. General Manager, Engineering, and Water Master Budgeted Items are directed as specific budget items. Final Draft will be brought back for the June Board Meeting reflecting additional changes.
- M.** Dream Project
 - 1. Status update on Facilities/operations – Lodi Pump and Irrigation is in the process of starting the above ground work that is not related to the creek. Additional work will start when the permit is in the Districts ownership. At this point District will be for sale for the month of June. Mitigation measures that need to be done to comply
 - 2. Groundwater Monitoring – Groundwater monitoring will take place this month.
 - 3. Monitoring Committee – Monitoring associated with the project is necessary along with a landowner that lives in a two-mile radius of the project. A motion to appoint Secretary Simpson for the Monitoring Committee with an Alternate of Director Marden Wilber for the monitoring committee of the Dream Project Monitoring, made by Treasurer Starr, second by Vice President Flinn. Motion passed unanimously 4/0/0.
- N.** Discuss General Manager/Engineering/Labor Services for the District and proposals from Provost & Prichard and Stockton East Water District – No action taken at this time. Board will discuss at the June Board Meeting.

4. Director and Staff Reports

- A.** President’s Report – Attended SGMA meeting and toured Charlie Starr around District’s facilities.
- B.** General Counsel Spaletta – No report at this time.
- C.** District Manager/Engineer John Podesta – N/A
- D.** Committee Reports – Treasurer Starr attended Advisory Water Commission meeting and will be properly scheduled for necessary official action.
- E.** Other – no other reports at this time

5. Public Comment – No additional public comments.

6. Closed Session – The Board entered Closed Session at 4:19 PM on Monday, May 21, 2018. The meeting returned to open session at 5:05 PM. There was no reportable action.

7. **Action Items (continued)** Note: Item O, below, was an action item that was mislabeled F – it should have been action item O on the agenda.

O. Consider Approval of Resolution 2018-08 – Motion to approve Resolution 2018-08 Amended Easement Agreement for South Pump Station by Vice President Flinn, second by Secretary Simpson. Flinn – Aye, Simpson – Aye, Starr – Aye, Valente – Aye, Wilber - Absent, motion passed 4/0/0.

9. **Adjournment** - Motion to adjourn the NSJWCD Regular Meeting by Vice President Flinn, second by Treasurer Starr, motion passed 4/0/0. Meeting adjourned 5:10 PM. **(Note: Item 8 not on Agenda or in Minutes)**

**** The next regular scheduled Board Meeting June 25, 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 June 25, 2018.

Respectfully submitted:

Shasta Burns, Deputy Secretary