

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

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

**Monday April 30, 2018**

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

1. **Call to Order - Roll Call - Acceptance of Agenda** - The meeting was called to order by President Valente at 2:00 pm. A motion for the acceptance of the Agenda for the meeting of April 30, 2018, made by Director Wilber, second by Secretary Simpson. Motion passed unanimously. 5/0/0.

President Joe Valente - Area 3

Vice President Tom Flinn - Area 2 - Absent

Secretary David Simpson – Area 1

Treasurer Charles Starr – Area 4

Director Marden Wilber – Area 5

General Counsel Jennifer Spaletta

Special Counsel Roger Masuda - Absent

John Podesta – District Engineer

Deputy Secretary Shasta Burns

2. **Correspondence/Announcements-** Application referrals from the Community Development Department were reviewed regarding land use issues. Each were reviewed and possible action on a small subdivision and division of land will be noted on the May Board Meeting Agenda.

3. **Action Items**

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Scheduled Board Meeting on March 26, 2018. – A motion to receive and file the Minutes of March 26, 2018, made by Secretary Simpson, second by Treasurer Starr. Motion passed 4/0/1. Vice President Flinn abstain due to his absence.
- 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 Spaletta Law, and the Coloring Book. Late bills are to be paid before the next scheduled Board Meeting and to write a warrant for a transfer of funds in the amount of \$80,000, made by Vice President Flinn, second by Treasurer Starr. Motion passed 5/0/0.
- C. Budget Review and Adjustments – Vice President Flinn reviewed Budgeting topics and concerns of adjustments that need to be made. A Budget Workshop will be held on May 14, 2018 at 2:00 pm. 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. A motion to receive and file the Districts Tracy Lake monthly financial reports made by Secretary Simpson, second by Director Wilber. Motion passed 5/0/0.
- E. Water Supply Conditions Report -General Counsel Spaletta reviewed handout, and informal email letter that informed the District of approximately 5,000-acre feet of water available from the District's Water Right, and the City of Lodi is interest in purchase. In addition, this would leave additional water for the Cal Fed

pump and potential South System Pipeline Customers. EBMUD has also been releasing additional flows for flood control releases.

**F. South System**

**1. Pump Station**

i. Resolution 2018-04 for Proceeding with Construction of Phase 1 of South Pump Station and Awarding Contract to Arnaudo Construction – A motion for the approval of Resolution 2018-04 Proceeding with Construction of Phase 1 of South Pump Station and Awarding Contract to Arnaudo Construction, made by Secretary Simpson, second by Treasurer Starr. Roll call vote: Starr; Aye, Wilber; Aye, Simpson, Aye, Flinn; Nay, Valente; Aye. Motion passed 4/1/0.

ii. Authorize Contract/Budget for Construction Support Engineering Services from design engineering firm KSN – Proposal for Design Engineer support was reviewed and in the Board packet. A motion to approve Contract for Support Engineering Services from design engineering firm KSA as presented by Secretary Simpson, second Treasurer Starr. Motion passed 4/0/1. Vice President Flinn vote: Abstain.

2. Discussion of South System Surface Water Users Improvement District Petition for Formation – General Counsel Spaletta reviewed South System Surface Water Users Improvement District’s Petition for Formation and specific details for formation. Feedback from the Board and a Draft that will be presented on a volunteer basis for a Volunteer Improvement District. Direction to have General Counsel Spaletta to move forward with landowners and a motion to approve public outreach efforts made via USPS, to the South System Improvement District No. 2 mailing list, and updates listed on the District’s website in the amount not to exceed \$2,000 for mailings, made by Secretary Simpson, second Mr. Wilber. Motion passed 5/0/0

3. Report on pipeline/valve maintenance – Update given by Mr. Podesta. Options reporting on how to reduce number of leaks and back pressure to get water flowing as easy as possible without overflow issues. Recommendation to efficiently take out valve parts for proper flow and reviewed two estimates he received to properly clean out and maintain valves in the pipeline. A motion to have Mr. Podesta proceed with necessary pipeline and valve maintenance removal in the amount not to exceed \$25,000 made by Mr. Starr, second by Mr. Wilber. Motion passed 5/0/0.

**G. Contract with Power Services, Inc. for pump test and consulting services –** General Counsel Spaletta reviewed meeting with Power Services and guidance regarding rebate packages with PG & E. General pump station testing costs were reviewed. Board will review again at the May 14<sup>th</sup> Budget Meeting.

**H. 2018 USBR WaterSmart Grant Opportunities -**

a. Water Efficiency Grants - \$300,000 to \$1,000,000 – due May 10, 2018

i. Meter/VFS/Automated Controls at South Pump Station

1. Consider Approval of Resolution 2018-05 supporting Agricultural Water Conservation and Efficiency Grant Application for Pump Station Automation Project – A motion to approve Resolution 2018-05 supporting Agricultural Water Conservation and Efficiency Grant Application for Pump Station Automation Project in the amount not to exceed \$10,000, made by Mr. Wilber, second by Vice President Flinn. Roll Call: Wilber; Aye, Starr; Aye,

Simpson; Aye, Flinn; Aye. Motion passed 5/0/0

- b. 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
- c. Authorize Contract/Budget for Engineering and Legal Services for Grant Applications with Provost & Prichard – Board will discuss above items again at the May 21, 2018 Board Meeting.
- d. Discuss Water Marketing Grant with County, EBMUD, SEWD – Discuss at the May 21, 2018 Board Meeting.
- I. 2018 Surface Water Rates – A motion to set the 2018 Surface Water Rate for \$50 an acre foot made by Secretary Simpson, second by Director Wilber. Motion passed 5/0/0
- J. Update on Gallo – Proposed Winery Project - No update at this time.
- K. SGMA/JPA Update -
  - a. Update Basin Budget and Safe Yield Analysis – President Valente gave an update on the last meeting attended and presentation given. General Counsel Spaletta gave an update on the consultant hired and workshop attended on the GSP. Model presented will move forward for the purpose of the GSP exercise.
- L. Cal-Feb/Woodbridge System
  - a. Discuss Budget for 2018 operations – Board will discuss at the Budget Workshop May 14, 2018.
- M. North System – Board will discuss at the Budget Workshop May 14, 2018.

#### 4. **Director and Staff Reports**

- A. President's Report – No report at this time
- B. General Counsel Spaletta – No report at this time
- C. District Manager/Engineer John Podesta –
- D. Committee Reports – no report at this time
- E. Other – no other reports at this time

#### 5. **Public Comment** – No additional public comments.

#### 6. **Closed Session** – The Board entered Closed Session at 4:45 PM on Monday, March 26, 2018. President Joe Valente and General Counsel Spaletta left the room at 4:55 pm for the remainder of Closed Session. Special Counsel David Hobbs joined Closed Session for addition Legal Counsel review. Vice President Flinn returned the meeting to open session at 5:21 pm. There was no reportable action.

#### 7. **Action Items (continued)** - President Valente and General Counsel Spaletta returned to the room and President Valente resumed control of the meeting.

#### N. DREAM Project

- 1. Approval of **Resolution 2018-06** awarding contract for Pixley Slough Pump Station Project – A motion to approve Resolution 2018-06 with Lodi Irrigation awarding contract for Pixley Slough Pump Station Project made by Secretary Simpson, second Director Wilber. Roll Call: Starr; Aye, Wilber; Aye, Simpson; Aye. Flinn; Aye, Valente; Aye. Motion passed 5/0/0

2. Consider Approval of **Resolution 2018-07** approving Landowner Agreements for DREAM Project Easements and Operations- A motion to adopt Resolution 2018-07, agreement section 3c. Modified as presented by Mr. Hobbs made by Secretary Simpson, second Treasurer Starr. Roll Call: Starr; Aye, Wilber; Aye, Simpson; Aye, Flinn; Aye, Valente; Abstain. Motion passed 4/0/1.

3. Pipeline/valve maintenance/repair – Review contractor options and not to exceed budget – No action taken at this time.

- O. Discuss General Manager/Engineering/Labor Services for the District and proposals from Provost & Pritchard and Stockton East Water District – No action taken at this time.

- 9. Adjournment** - Motion to adjourn the NSJWCD Regular Meeting by Secretary Simpson, second by Director Wilber, motion passed 5/0/0. Meeting adjourned 5:38 PM. **(Note: Item 8 not on Agenda or in Minutes)**

**\*\* The next regular scheduled Board Meeting May 21, 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 May 21, 2018.

Respectfully submitted:

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Shasta Burns, Deputy Secretary