

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

Monday, February 24, 2014

Lodi Library Community Room
(This facility is handicap accessible)
201 West Locust Street, Lodi CA

1. Call Regular Meeting to Order/Roll Call

President Valente called the meeting to order at 10:06AM

Present: President - Joe Valente
Secretary - Tom Flinn
Treasurer- Hugh Scanlon
Member - Marden Wilbur (at 10:17AM)
Walter Sadler (Consultant), Roger Masuda (General Counsel), Jennifer Spaletta, (Legal Counsel)

Absent: Vice President- Mark Beck

2. Correspondence/Announcements

3. Action Items

A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 27, 2014

Moved: Flinn Seconded: Scanlon Approved: 3-0

**B. NSJWC District Monthly Financial Reports
and**

C. Invoice/expense Payments by the NSJWCD

Moved: Flinn Seconded: Scanlon Approved: 3-0

To receive and file the reports and to approve the expenses and payment as-presented.

D. Tracy Lake Recharge Project

1) Current financial reports

Moved: Flinn Seconded: Wilber Approved: 4=0

To receive and file the reports as presented.

2) Project staff presented a status report for this project, including the Schedule and permitting.

3) Resolution 2014-01: Appointing a Contracting Officer; Authorizing Advance Procurement of Project Equipment and Materials for the Tracy Lake Project; and Adoption of Procurement Rules

Council Masuda reviewed details related to this action.

Moved: Wilber Seconded: Flinn Approved: 4-0

4) **Initial Study and Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Water Right Petitions and Tracy Lake Groundwater Recharge**

Council Spaletta outlined the current status of this activity and future actions

a) The Board set a **Special Meeting for March 10, 2014** at 11 a.m. at the Lodi Library

Moved: Flinn Seconded: Wilbur Approved: 4-0

b) The Board pre-approved payment of **fees related to the Filing of the Notice of Determination and State Department of Fish and Wildlife Review**, subject to the issuance of the Notice of Determination after action on the Mitigated Negative Declaration.

Moved: Flinn Seconded: Scanlon Approved: 4-0

5) **Filing of Permit Applications for Tracy Lake Groundwater Recharge Project**

The Board authorized the payment of fees and the filing of permit applications with the State Lands Commission, Department of Fish and Wildlife, and the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board.

Moved: Flinn Seconded: Scanlon Approved: 4-0

6. Closed Session (Advanced on the agenda)

Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation

Discussion of potential significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of California Government (GC) Code section 54956.9):

Two cases: (1) Pending NSJWCD Protest of EBMUD SWRCB Petitions; and
(2) Pending Protests to NSJWCD SWRCB Petitions

Nothing to Report

- E. District Staffing** – Noted need for additional staff to deal with multitude of current activities - deferred discussion to next month.
- F. Organization of District Files** – nothing to report
- G. Groundwater Banking Authority (GBA)** – District projects are rating well in the regional planning process – County is developing a long-term strategy which offer major benefits to the District. Director Flinn recommended modifying our meeting time to 2:00PM from 10:AM to enhance coordination with the County.
- H. Community Outreach Informational Meetings** – President Valente is planning more meeting with customers the Summer.
- I. District Priorities** – presently focus on Water Rights, Tracy Lake Project and other system improvements.
- J. Committee Assignments**
The Board reviewed and adjusted the recommended assignments.
Moved: Flinn Seconded: Wilber Approved: 4-0
- K. San Joaquin County Water Advisory Commission**

The Board appointed Joe Valente as an alternate to the Commission and authorize filing of the required documents with the County Board of Supervisors.

Moved: Flinn

Seconded: Scanlon

Approved:4-0

4. Report Items

A. State Board Water Right Process

No action

B. Water Rights and Delivery of Water

General discussion

C. Director and Staff Reports

- 1) President's report – Reported on Washington DC meetings, drought issues and other matters of interest.
- 2) General Counsel Masuda – Filing of Annual Statements of Economic Interests are due April 1, 2014
- 3) Consultant Walt Sadler – Will request water from EBMUD.
- 4) Committee Reports - none
- 5) Other -

5. Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda - None

7. Motion to Adjourn to Special Meeting of the Board: Monday, March 10, 2014 at 11:00.m.

Moved: Flinn

Seconded: Scanlon

Approved: 4-0

Adjourned the meeting at 11.40AM.