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

Monday, December 30, 2013 6:00 PM

# 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 6:09 p.m.. Directors present: Beck, Scanlon, Wilbur. Also present Consultant Sadler, Counsel Spaletta and 6 audience members. Counsel Masuda arrived at 6:14 p.m. and Director Flinn arrived at 6:25 p.m.

#### 2. Correspondence/Announcements - None

#### 3. Action Items

#### A. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 25, 2013

The minutes were amended for Item 3.g – *Agreement with Woodbridge Irrigation District* to read: "The Board approved extension of the existing agreement with the amending documents to be reviewed and signed by the President after approval by the WID Board."

Motion to Approve: Beck. Second: Wilbur. Approved 4-0

# B. Receive and file NSJWC District monthly financial reports

The Treasurer presented the financial reports. Accepted as-presented

#### C. Approval of invoice/expense payments by the NSJWCD

The Treasurer presented the current docket of invoices and checks for approval Motion to Approve: Beck. Second: Wilbur. Approved 4-0

#### D. Tracy Lake Recharge Project

1) The Treasurer presented the current financials for this project, noting that the assessment has been paid and that the cash flow at the present time is acceptable. It was noted that bills for Counsel Spaletta have been paid from NSJWCD treasury. They will be split pursuant to the agreement with a fund transfer to follow.

Motion to Receive and File: Wilbur. Second: Scanlon. Approved 4-0

2) Project staff presented a status presented a status report on the project. Discussion ensued on the changes in the cost estimates.

#### 3) Tracy Lake Recharge Project Budget

The Board received a report from Consultant Sadler, including revised documentation. There was discussion regarding a transfer of assessment funds with Counsel Spaletta noting that that if more funds are needed a March transfer would be appropriate. If the permits are done, a 30-day warrant issuance notice could be submitted to the State after the February Coordinating meeting and the material order process could commence. An amendment to the agreement with the landowners will be presented at the January meeting.

# E. Groundwater Banking Authority (GBA)

Director Flinn noted the need to approve the new GBA agreement. County Staff agreed to furnish a presentation on the matter as soon as possible – probably in January.

#### F. South System Improvements

Consultant Walter Sadler presented his analysis of costs to upgrade the South System. Details are outlined in his memorandum of December 29, 2013. Jennifer Spaletta noted the need to refine the list of projects for the South System and discuss with the adjoining property owner, Rodney Schatz, the delineation of the needed right-of-way. Director Beck also noted the potential demand of customers served by the North System and potential usage of the CalFed pump. Counsel Spaletta noted meeting with users along the South System and advised of serious interest of these customers. The need for analysis of alternative financing including grants, direct assessment and special districts was accepted. Director Flinn noted that success in financing the South System improvements could enhance the Groundwater Demonstration Project. President Valente summarized actions that he would contact Rodney Schatz and the two attorneys for the District would develop funding alternatives for the South System Improvements.

# **G.** Community Outreach Informational Meetings

Discussed in item F above.

#### I. District Priorities

President Valente noted the need to develop a long-term district wide list of priorities with inclusion of the North System and the CalFed Pump.

#### J. Coordination of water supply activities with County stakeholders, and next-steps

President Valente noted recent meetings with customers along the South System and a tour of the South System with key EBMUD staff.

#### K. Organization of District Files

No report

# L. 2014 Meeting Calendar

The Board approved calendar for the 2014 year, including a change in meeting time from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 a.m. and the Board Policy Manual will be revised accordingly.

Motion to Approve: Flinn. Second: Wilbur. Approved 5-0

#### M. Election of 2014 Officers

The Board agreed to maintain the current structure for next year with Directors Valente-President; Beck- Vice President; Scanlon-Treasurer; and Flinn-Secretary

Motion to Approve: Beck. Second: Scanlon. Approved 5-0

## 4. Report Items

#### A. Water rights and delivery of water

Jennifer Spaletta recommended an extension of our water right to 2040.

Motion to Approve: Wilbur. Second: Flinn. Approved 5-0

#### B. Director and Staff Reports

- 1) President Valente reported on his meetings at the Farm Bureau; with pump experts; interested growers; and EBMUD.
- 2) General Counsel Masuda and Consultant Walt Sadler none
- 3) Committee Reports none
- 4) Letterhead approved first option with minor alterations

# 5. Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda

None

#### 6. Closed Session

# Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation

No Report

#### 7. Motion to Adjourn 7:55 PM

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM. The next scheduled meeting of the Board is Monday, January 27, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.

## Respectively Submitted,

Tom Flinn Secretary