

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

**Monday, August 25, 2014
2:00 p.m.**

1. Call Regular Meeting to Order/Roll Call

President Valente called the meeting to order at 2:03PM

Present: President - Joe Valente
Secretary - Tom Flinn
Treasurer- Hugh Scanlon
Member - Marden Wilbur
Roger Masuda (General Counsel), Jennifer Spaletta, (Legal Counsel), Walt Sadler
Absent: Vice President- Mark Beck

2. Correspondence/Announcements

Director Scanlon noted correspondence regarding the elections and insurance rates.

3. Action Items

A. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 28, 2014

Moved: Flinn Second: Wilder Approved: 4-0

B. Action to Receive and File NSJWC District Monthly Financial Reports AND

C. To Authorize Current Invoice/Expense Payments by the NSJWCD

Moved: Wilber Second: Flinn Approved: 4-0

D. Tracy Lake Recharge Project

1. Action to Receive and File Tracy Lake Current Financial Reports

Moved: Flinn Second: Wilber Approved: 4-0

2. Discussion Regarding Meetings of the Tracy Lake Improvement District Coordinating Committee or other pertinent groups. No meeting this month – Consultant Sadler noted ongoing action on permitting processes.

E. Review of Local Water Forum (August 7th) and subsequent South System Subcommittee Meeting (August 21st). Discussed meeting attendance and level of interest. Attendance in excess of 100.

Further noted meeting with subcommittee seeking input from the potential customers of the south system.

- F. Discussion of **Proposition 218 Process for Changes to District's Water Rates and Next Steps to Begin Implementing Proposition 218 Process**
Counsels Spaletta and Masuda outlined requirements and timing for the proposed rate adjustments.
- G. Discussion of **Potential Funding Opportunities** – ongoing activity.
- H. Discussion of **Pending or Proposed Legislative** that may affect the District
 1. Mokelumne River Wild and Scenic Designation – did not get out of the Assembly – future unknown.
 2. AB 1739 and SB 1168 (groundwater sustainability bills) - moving on and getting worse for local agencies – many unknowns.
 3. Water Bond – Currently at \$7.5 billion – will be on November Ballot – some funds may be available for storage projects such as groundwater banking.
- I. Discussion of Action regarding review and update of the **NSJWCD Permit 10477 – “Construction and Operations Plan.”** - Counsel Spaletta presented the reporting requirements and advised current plan is adequate – the plan should be amended as new operations are implemented by the District – will reconsider the matter in December.
- J. Discussion regarding **Eastern San Joaquin Water Alliance** – District will attempt to have a knowledgeable individual make a presentation to the Board explaining the organization sometime in the future.
- K. Discussion and Possible Action on Biennial Review of **NSJWCD Conflict of Interest Code** And Filing of Notice with the FPPC. Deferred to September meeting
- L. Discussion and Possible Action on **Board meeting planning calendar** – Counsel Masuda reviewed the recommended calendar with special adjustments in December.
- M. Discussion and Possible Action **District Staffing** – no report
- N. Discussion and Possible Action on the **Organization of District Files** – Director Flinn noted subcommittee will meet next month with a report in September.

4. Discussion Items

- A. **Law Foundation, etal. v. State Water Resources Control Board** – Counsel Spaletta reviewed recent decision with potential impact on groundwater rights.
- B. **State Board Water Right Process** - pending
- C. **Water Rights and Delivery of Water** - dependent on next winter's precipitation
- D. **November Election Results** – Director Flinn reviewed the results of the filings – only one applicant for each open seat thus no actual election needed.

5. Director and Staff Reports

- A. President's report – noted outside meeting on water matters
- B. General Counsel Masuda - none
- C. Consultant Walt Sadler - none
- D. Committee Reports – GBA cancelled again – AWC did meet – meeting with South System Subcommittee

E. Other - none

6. Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda – Mr. Pilkington addressed the Board on some historical issues. Mr. Dale Carver presented the Board with a public information request.

7. Closed Session

Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation

Nothing to report

8. Motion to Adjourn

Next Regular Meeting of the Board: Monday, September 29, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.
