

KINGS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2019

President Taylor called the regular meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Steven P. Dias, Joseph Freitas, Barry McCutcheon,
Ernest Taylor

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Michael Murray

OTHERS PRESENT: Dennis Mills, General Manager
Shawn Corley, Lakeside IWD

ESTABLISH QUORUM

It was determined that a quorum was present at the meeting.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SEPTEMBER 5 MEETING

President Taylor asked if there was a motion regarding the minutes circulated in this month's Board packets. Vice-President Dias made a motion to approve the regular September 5, 2019 meeting minutes. Director Freitas seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved the regular September 5, 2019 meeting minutes. The vote for all of the Directors was as follows:

AYES: Steven P. Dias, Joseph Freitas, Barry McCutcheon, Ernest Taylor

NOES: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: Michael Murray

COMMUNICATIONS

None.

GENERAL MANAGER

DITCH TENDER – PROBATIONARY PERIOD

Manager Mills relayed that Eddie Miranda, the Ditch Tender hired in April, worked longer than his initial six month probationary period. Manager Mills relayed that he received good feedback on Mr. Miranda's dependability and willingness to learn.

UPDATE ON RENTAL INVOICES

Manager Mills reported the following total on the previous water year:

- Peoples Main = 15,626 AF through headgate, 10,689 AF rented
- Settlers = 17,754 AF through headgate, 8,368 AF rented
- New Deal = 3,410 AF through headgate, 1,781 AF rented

- Riverside = 12,181 AF through headgate, but this includes deliveries to the Old River
- Last Chance = 60,994 AF diverted from Kings River, 35,800 AF diverted outside of flood release

ESAJIAN BASIN PROJECT

Manager Mills reported that the contract between the District and G&J Heavy Haul has been signed. He received the signed copy from G&J the night before the meeting. G&J plan to start removing trees Monday, Oct. 14. Manager Mills had also given Eric Ward direction to not fertilize the trees and stop watering.

RIVERSIDE MAINTENANCE AND CROSSING

Manager Mills reported that he had discussions with Mattos Underground and that they had provided an estimate of roughly \$100,000 for the planned efforts. It seemed that the costs were heavily influenced by the distance of haul for material from Griswold Basin to the project location. Manager Mills relayed he planned on contacting other contractors to see if this could be accomplished for less.

SGMA UPDATE

Manager Mills gave a lengthy report on recent GSA issues with Kings County's County Counsel. He also reported that the Tulare Lake Subbasin GSP internal comments will be due by Friday, Oct 18. Lastly, he reported that the Greater Kaweah GSP comments will be due to the Greater Kaweah GSA around November 1.

ON-GOING EFFORTS

RIVERSIDE-LAST CHANCE XING

Manager Mills reported that the current project concept is to use a combination of steel pipe and braced supports if needed to span the crossing. Manager Mills relayed that he needs to meet with Provost & Pritchard's structural engineer on the design, and then have them develop a construction estimate. Mattos Underground believes they can build the crossing in their shop, truck to site, and set it with a crane.

EVERETT BASIN TURNOUT

Manager Mills reported he had discussions with Mattos Underground on development of the Everett Basin turnout the week prior. Mattos is developing an estimate of costs and Manager Mills needs to select a style of flow meter for the facility.

EXPENDITURE LIST APPROVAL & FINANCING STATEMENT ACCEPTANCE

On a motion by Vice-President Dias, with a second by Director Freitas, it was unanimously approved by the Board that the expenditure list and financial statement be accepted as submitted. The vote for all of the Directors was as follows:

AYES: Steven P. Dias, Joseph Freitas, Barry McCutcheon, Ernest Taylor

NOES: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: Michael Murray

TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Manager Mills conveyed that a transfer of \$350,000 from the District's LAIF account to the Union Bank General Account was needed this month. Vice-President Dias made a motion to approve the transfer and Director Freitas seconded the motion. President Taylor called for a vote and the vote for all of the Directors was as follows:

AYES: Steven P. Dias, Joseph Freitas, Barry McCutcheon, Ernest Taylor

NOES: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: Michael Murray

BOARD MEMBER DISCUSSION/ANNOUNCEMENTS OR REPORTS

None.

SET NEXT MEETING DATE

The next regular Board of Directors meeting was set for November 14, 2019 at 1:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Mills
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