

**PATTERSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
MINUTES**

February 16, 2017

The Board of Directors of the Patterson Irrigation District met in the Patterson City Hall Council Chambers, 1 Plaza, Patterson, California for a Special Board meeting. The meeting was called to order at 1:07 p.m. by President John Azevedo.

Directors Present: John Azevedo, David Reichmuth, David Fantozzi, Richard Barbaste, Steve Prevostini

Directors Absent:

Others Present:	Marc Vanden	General Manager
	Toni Russell	Secretary/Treasurer
	Jeanne Zolezzi	Legal Counsel

See attached for list of Growers/Landowners in attendance

CORRECTIONS OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

General Manager Vanden reported PID Legal Counsel was running late and requested Report Item No. 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 follow Item No. 2 of the Agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Rick Scheuber stated he felt everyone attended the meeting to see what the Board was going to do about water rates. Scheuber continued to disagree with the Main Canal Project, he stated the Project is to increase capacity to the DMC. George Reichmuth continued to disagree with installing a new pipeline to replace the current main canal. Reichmuth stated the pipeline would only last 50 years, and the current system is sufficient to supply water to growers in the district. There is no need to increase capacity to pump Warren Act Water to the DMC. Paul Fantozzi commented, in 2014 the Board had made a temporary reduction in the allocation to 6" per acre due to drought conditions. Fantozzi said he understood the allocation would be increased the following year back to 2 acre feet per acre, which landowners have historically received with their Assessment.

MINUTES:

The minutes of the January 26, February 8, and February 10, 2017 Special Board Meetings were reviewed by the Board.

Director Barbaste made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 26, 2017 Special Board Meeting Second by Director Fantozzi. Director Fantozzi made a motion to approve the February 8, 2017 Special Board Meeting. Second by Director Barbaste. Director Prevostini made a motion to approve the February 10, 2017 Special Board Meeting. Second by Director Barbaste.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

General Manager Marc Vanden submitted a report to the Board on bank accounts and fund balances the District holds in investment accounts. The report also included a summary of accounts receivable and a detailed list of disbursements in January 2017 for Board review.

Director Reichmuth made a motion to approve the Financial Report for January 2017. The motion was seconded by Director Fantozzi and passed unanimously.

WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

Operations and Maintenance Supervisor, Steve Trinta gave an oral report on maintenance activities in the district. The report included canal lining repairs, pipeline, bank and box repairs and lateral maintenance.

KAHN, SOARES, AND CONWAY UPDATE:

Vanden noted, there is a monthly summary report included in the board packet provided by Kahn, Soares, and Conway updating the Board on water and agricultural issues for January 2017.

ADMINISTRATION AND OPERATIONS REPORT:

A written report was included in the Board packet regarding administration, operations, and construction activities.

WATER OPERATIONS REPORT:

Vanden reported, as of February 1, 2017, PID has stored approximately 13,136 ac-ft. of Warren Act Water in the SLR. PID wheeled 202 AF of Turlock Recycled Water for Del Puerto Water District. Vanden noted, on January 7th he was notified to cease pumping into the DMC due to capacity issues.

CONSTRUCTION REPORT:

Main Canal Rehabilitation Project: MWH is currently finishing up design, and should have a final set of plans and specs to the District by the second week of March. MWH is working on a proposal for Construction Management Services.

Vanden reported, the District still has not received a Grant Administrator from DWR. DWR is backed up and running behind schedule. Once the District receives a Grant Administrator, they should be able to answer any questions the District has in regards to the Prop 1 Grant is has been awarded for the project.

CLOSED SESSION:

The Board announced the items that would be discussed in Closed Session. The Board convened into closed session at 1:46 p.m. to discuss the items below:

- a. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
(Subdivision (b) Government Code Section 54956.9)
1 potential case

The Board returned to open session at 2:17p.m. and reported: No reportable action taken.

A this time President Azevedo announced, at the advice of PID Legal Counsel, and the Board receiving information involving potential litigation, the Board would not proceed with Item No. 7 Fiscal Year 2017 Budget Review, and Item No. 8 2017 Water Rates and Allocations.

ADJOURNMENT

With the completion of all agenda items the meeting was adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Toni Russell Secretary/Treasurer