

**PATTERSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
MINUTES**

April 19, 2017

The Board of Directors of the Patterson Irrigation District met in its office at 948 Orange Avenue, Patterson, California for a regular monthly Board meeting. The meeting was called to order at 1:00 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
	Steve Trinta	Operations & Maintenance Supervisor
	Jeanne Zolezzi	Legal Counsel
	Rick Scheuber	Landowner
	George Reichmuth	Landowner
	Jim Demartini	County Supervisor

CORRECTIONS OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

None

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Supervisor DeMartini stated he makes it a point to attend a meeting of each of the Special Districts in his district once a year. DeMartini reminded the Board they are welcome to contact him anytime if needed.

MINUTES:

The minutes of the March 15, 2017 Regular Board Meeting were reviewed by the Board.

Director Fantozzi made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 15, 2017 Regular Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Director Barbaste and passed unanimously.

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 March 2017 for Board review.

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

SPERRY AVENUE LAND TRANSFER:

Vanden reviewed with the Board a proposal from the City of Patterson in regards to PID's open irrigation lateral that runs along Sperry Avenue. The City of Patterson is in the process of designing and constructing roadway improvements at the intersection of Sperry Avenue and South Del Puerto Avenue. PID has title to the property at the south-east corner of the intersection of Sperry Avenue and South Del Puerto Avenue.

PID currently uses the property as an open above-ground irrigation canal. In order for the City to complete the intersection improvements, an underground irrigation pipeline and related improvements must be constructed to replace the open irrigation canal.

The City proposes to install a pipeline from the intersection of South Del Puerto Avenue East along Las Palmas Avenue to the bend of PID's open channel. The cost for design, constructing and installing the pipeline, including related surveying cost, will be at the sole cost of the City. PID will be responsible for constructing the headwall south of the bend. In exchange PID would convey the property to the City. All improvement plans shall be subject to written approval and inspection of the PID.

Upon completion of the improvements, the City will grant a permanent Easement to PID. PID will record a Quitclaim Deed conveying the property to the City.

Following a thorough discussion Director Fantozzi made a motion to approve the Improvement Agreement between the PID and the City of Patterson. Seconded by Director Prevostini and passed unanimously.

LATERAL 4 NORTH LAND TRANSFER:

Vanden discussed with the Board a proposal from Ken Buehner and Larry Buehner (Buehner). Buehner is proposing to build a housing development off of North First Street which backs up to PID's Lateral 4 North. The development would consist of thirty-five (35) homes and two (2) parks. Vanden explained, a requirement of the development would be to pipe a portion of Lateral 4 North along the area of a proposed park. Vanden stated this portion of Lateral 4 North is problem area, landowners plant trees or move their fences out to the edge of the Lateral making it hard to maintain the area. It is also know area for people to dump trash on the lateral access road or into the lateral itself. Vanden discussed a possible cost share with Buehner to extend the pipeline approximately 460' along the length of the development. Buehner provided an opinion of probable construction costs to install 460' of pipeline to replace the current open channel based on a 50/50 cost share with PID. Later Buehner contacted Vanden to discuss the possibility of paying for a larger percentage of cost to install the pipeline in exchange for an additional 6 feet of PID's easement. Vanden stated the area would need to be surveyed and staked to establish PID's boundaries before moving forward.

Director Azevedo stated the District should have a policy in place in regards to Urban Development and Encroachments impacting District facilities. He stated the policy was written at the time the Villages of Patterson was being developed to ensure continued operation and maintenance of PID's facilities that were being impacted by new development.

Following a thorough discussion the Board requested additional information in regards to the project before making a decision.

USBR MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING:

Vanden discussed a request from the Bureau of Reclamation (Bureau) to participate as a cooperating agency for the San Joaquin Valley Restoration Program (SJRRP) long term recapture and recirculation of restoration flows. The Bureau is in the process of preparing the EIS/EIR for the recirculation of restoration flows and soliciting cooperation from PID to insure issues relating to PID's jurisdiction are properly addressed. Vanden stated PID legal counsel had reviewed the MOU and other than a few changes, it would be to PID's advantage to enter into an agreement with the Bureau. By entering into the agreement PID would have access to all drafts before being distributed giving PID time to respond to any inaccuracy prior to going out.

Following a discussion Director Barbaste made a motion accept the MOU between PID and the Bureau of Reclamation in regards to the SJRRP. Seconded by Director Prevostini 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.

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 March 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 March 1, 2017 PID has stored approximately 10,349 ac-ft. of Warren Act Water in the SLR. Right now, it is estimated that the reservoir will stay full until the end of May or beginning of June, when sustained drawdown will occur. PID is evacuating as much water as possible at this time to minimize the amount that could be spilled.

Vanden reported the Bureau announced the CVP Allocation for SOD Contractors had been increased to 100%, giving PID its full allocation of 16,500 acf.

CONSTRUCTION REPORT:

Two Drains Project Update: A temporary sediment suspension has been installed at the Alfalfa Station and will be tested this year.

Del Puerto Water District's contractors are installing the new recycled waterline down Lemon Avenue. They will be replacing PID's road crossing this week and next.

CLOSED SESSION:

The Board announced the items that would be discussed in Closed Session. The Board convened into closed session at 2:00 p.m. to discuss the items below:

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

The Board returned to open session at 2:40 p.m. and reported: No reportable action taken.

ADJOURNMENT

With the completion of all agenda items the meeting was adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Toni Russell Secretary/Treasurer