

**PATTERSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
MINUTES**

July 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:	Vince Lucchesi	General Manager
	Toni Russell	Secretary/Treasurer
	Steve Trinta	Operations & Maintenance Supervisor
	Jeanne Zolezzi	Legal Counsel/Via Conference Call
	Rick Scheuber	Landowner
	Paul Fantozzi	Landowner
	George Reichmuth	Landowner
	Frank Trinta	Landowner
	John Hansen	Landowner

CORRECTIONS OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

General Manager Lucchesi requested to have Item No. 13: Adoption of CEQA Negative Declaration for the Patterson Irrigation District Main Canal Rehabilitation Project, to follow Item No. 21: Closed Session. Lucchesi also requested to Item No. 4a. Priority Area II Out-of-District Water Service Agreement, be added prior to Item No. 4: Minutes.

Director Barbaste made a motion to approve the changes to the Agenda. Second by Director Fantozzi and passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Steve Foiada made mention of PID's website being down for maintenance. George Reichmuth stated his concerns with moving forward with the CEQA Negative Declaration for the Main Canal Rehabilitation Project. John Hansen welcomed Patterson Irrigation District's new General Manager Vince Lucchesi to the District and wished him luck.

PROPOSAL FOR OUT-OF-DISTRICT WATER SERVICE, PRIORITY AREA II:

President Azevedo discussed a proposal from Matt Maring to purchase water under an Out-of-District Service Agreement between Patterson Irrigation District and Matt Maring and Tom Maring (T&M Farms). Azevedo reported in prior years Maring had purchased water from PID that was delivered to Priority Area II land in DPWD. Maring stated DPWD had some capacity issues getting water to these parcels and he was looking for a reliable water supply.

Following a thorough discussion, Director Fantozzi made a motion to approve a one year Out-of-District Service Agreement between PID and T&M Farms, to deliver water to Priority Area II lands. Under the terms of the Agreement, the price of water would be equal to the DPWD cost to deliver water. The term of the Agreement would extend to the end of PID's water year of February 28, 2018. Second by Director Prevostini and passed unanimously.

MINUTES:

The minutes of the June 21, 2017 Regular Board Meeting were reviewed by the Board.

Director Barbaste made a motion to approve the minutes as received. Second by Director Reichmuth and passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Secretary/Treasurer Russell submitted a report to the Board on bank accounts and fund balances the District holds in investment accounts. The report also included an accounts receivable aging summary report and a detailed list of expenses in June 2017 for Board review.

Russell also presented the 2017 budget vs actual report as of June 30, 2017.

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

CONSIDER ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 02-2017 OF THE PATTERSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT ACCEPTING CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES PROPOSITION 1 WATER USE EFFICIENCY GRANT FUNDS):

General Manager Lucchesi reported, in 2016 the District approved a budget and instructed Montgomery Watson Harza (MWH) to pursue grant funding for the first phase of the Main Canal Rehabilitation Project. David's Engineering prepared and submitted, on behalf of Patterson Irrigation District, an application to the Department of Water Resources for funding of Schedule A of the Main Canal Rehabilitation Project, under the Prop 1 Water Use Efficiency Grant Program. On December 15, 2016, the District was notified it had been selected for funding and was awarded \$2.94 million for the Schedule A Project.

Lucchesi explained, Resolution 02-2017 is the official notice from the Board to the Department of Water Resources of its acceptance of grant funds and designates its General Manager, Vince Lucchesi as its representative.

Following a thorough discussion, the Board had several questions they wanted clarified prior to accepting the grant funding. Lucchesi stated he would get answers to their questions and report back at the next board meeting.

CONSIDER ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 03-2017 OF THE PATTERSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT APPOINTING THE GENERAL MANAGER OF THE PATTERSON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS REPRESENTATIVE ON THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE TO THE NORTHERN DELTA-MENDOTA REGION SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT SERVICES ACTIVITY AGREEMENT:

Resolution 03-2017 changes to the Northern DM Region SGMA Services Activity Agreement for Patterson Irrigation by removing Marc Vanden and appointing Vince Lucchesi, General Manager as the District's Management Committee Member.

Motion made by Director Fantozzi to adopt Resolution 03-2017. Second by Director Barbaste and passed unanimously.

CONSIDER ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 04-2017 OF THE PATTERSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT APPOINTING THE GENERAL MANAGER AS SIGNATORY ON BEHALF OF THE PATTERSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT FOR THE DISTRICT'S ACCOUNT WITH BANK OF THE WEST:

Resolution 04-2017 removes Marc Vanden as signatory on the Districts Bank of the West account and appoints its General Manager, Vince Lucchesi as signatory on behalf of PID.

Motion made by Director Barbaste to approve Resolution 04-2017. Second by Director Fantozzi and passed unanimously.

CONSIDER ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 05-2017 OF THE PATTERSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT APPOINTING THE GENERAL MANAGER AS SIGNATORY ON BEHALF OF THE PATTERSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT FOR THE DISTRICT'S ACCOUNTS WITH CENTRAL VALLEY COMMUNITY BANK:

Resolution 05-2017 removes Marc Vanden as signatory on the Districts Central Valley Community Bank account and appoints its General Manager, Vince Lucchesi as signatory on behalf of PID.

Motion made by Director Prevostini to approve Resolution 05-2017. Second by Director Fantozzi and passed unanimously.

CONSIDER ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 06-2017 OF THE PATTERSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT APPOINTING THE GENERAL MANAGER AS SIGNATORY ON BEHALF OF THE PATTERSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT FOR THE DISTRICT'S ACCOUNTS WITH OAK VALLEY COMMUNITY BANK:

Resolution 06-2017 removes Marc Vanden as signatory on the Oak Valley Community Bank accounts and appoints its General Manager, Vince Lucchesi as signatory on behalf of PID.

Motion made by Director Barbaste to approve Resolution 6-2017. Second by Director Fantozzi and passed unanimously.

SAN LUIS & DELTA MENDOTA WATER AUTHORITY BOARD REPRESENTATION:

A motion was made to elect General Manager, Vince Lucchesi to the SLDMWA Board to fill the Division 1 Alternate vacancy created by Marc Vanden's resignation.

Motion made by Director Fantozzi, second by Director Prevostini and passed unanimously.

DRAINAGE AUTHORITY REPRESENTATION:

A motion was made to elect General Manager, Vince Lucchesi to fill the alternate vacancy on the San Joaquin Valley Drainage Authority (SJVDA) Board created by Marc Vanden's resignation.

Motion made Director Prevostini, second by Director Barbaste and passed unanimously.

DIRECTORS BRIEFING:

President Azevedo reported he had been contacted by a representative of Santa Clara Water District requesting a letter of support from PID for their Pacheco Reservoir Project.

WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

Operations and Maintenance Supervisor, Steve Trinta gave an oral report on maintenance activities in the district. A written report was included in the board packet and included grower incident reports addressed by district staff.

MANAGER'S BRIEFING:

General Manager Lucchesi reported on his current activities and projects: 1. Meeting with Raftelis Financial Consultants to continue with a review of the District's financials and do a rate study for the District. 2. Working with Sierra Controls on a quote for replacement of the District server and provide IT services. 3. Met with PID legal counsel to get up to speed on current projects they have been working on for the District. 4. Lucchesi reminded the Board of the upcoming Fall ACWA Conference being held in Anaheim this year. He stated the board members should contact the district secretary as soon as possible of their intention to attend allowing her enough time to get them registered for the conference and book rooms.

KAHN, SOARES, AND CONWAY UPDATE: None

ADMINISTRATION AND OPERATIONS REPORT:

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

Lucchesi reported, as of June 1, 2017 PID had 6,224 acf stored in San Luis Reservoir (SLR) under its two Warren Act Contract's. Based upon the most current information, sustained drawdown started June 1st, meaning any stored water in SLR as of June 1st would be subject to the foregone pumping calculation. Further, any lost CVP water would be recolored as a 2017 allocation in lieu of the like amount as an allocation. However, any stored Warren Act water would be subject to loss and won't be recolored. It is projected that the storage of 6,224 acf is considered lost, however, the district has not received final word on the calculation from the USBR to confirm any losses.

Two Drains Project Update: PID had a pump go down at the Alfalfa Station in the beginning of July, staff is working on getting quotes for a replacement.

Drawings were received from Summers Engineering for a spill structure to help with the operation of the project.

Del Puerto Avenue and Sperry Avenue Intersection: The General Manager met with staff at the City of Patterson on July 6th to discuss the project and convey concerns that the pipe might not be sized appropriately for the project and requested additional time to review the project. City of Patterson Staff pointed out the status of the project is so far along that they probably wouldn't be able to substantiate a change in pipe size to the funding sources of the project. Staff noted that, and if there is additional head required in the canal and the canal cannot handle the head, the spoil dirt deposited from Rados Brothers from the City of Modesto Recycled Water Pipeline will be utilized to modify the canal bank.

CLOSED SESSION:

The Board announced the items that would be discussed in Closed Session. The Board convened into closed session at 2:50 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 4:10 p.m.

CONSIDER ADOPTION OF THE CEQA NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE PATTERSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT MAIN CANAL REHABILITATION PROJECT:

Upon return from closed session, Director Barbaste made a motion to adopt the CEQA Negative Declaration for the Main Canal Rehabilitation Project. Second by Director Prevostini and passed by a 4 to 1 vote.

Roll Call Vote: Director Prevostini – Aye
Director Fantozzi – Nay
Director Barbaste – Aye
Director Reichmuth – Aye
Director Azevedo – Aye

For the benefit of the landowners attending the meeting, Lucchesi explained by adopting the CEQA document didn't mean the project is moving forward. The motion was to approve the CEQA document that was filed in February. The Board and General Manager plan on doing outreach and have meetings with landowners to educate them on the project so they understand what the District is working to accomplish. The first phase of the project is to fix and improve the Districts aging infrastructure.

ADJOURNMENT

With the completion of all agenda items the meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Toni Russell Secretary/Treasurer

