

**PATTERSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
MINUTES**

December 19, 2018

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 Azevedo.

Directors Present: John Azevedo, David Reichmuth, Richard Barbaste, David Fantozzi, Frank Trinta

Directors Absent:

Others Present: Vince Lucchesi General Manager
 Toni Russell Secretary/Treasurer

CORRECTIONS OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

General Manager Lucchesi requested Report Item No: 18. be changed to: Grower Meeting Discussion.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

MINUTES:

The minutes of the November 21, 2018 Regular Board Meeting were reviewed by the Board.

Director Fantozzi made a motion to approve the November 21, 2018 board minutes. Second by Director Reichmuth and passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL STATUS:

Secretary/Treasurer Russell gave 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 cash disbursements for November 2018. General Manager Lucchesi gave a report on the draft budget through November 2018.

Director Reichmuth made a motion to approve the November 2018 Financial Status. The motion was seconded by Director Barbaste and passed unanimously.

CONSIDER APPOINTMENT OF TWO PID BOARD MEMBERS AS PID AD HOC FINANCE COMMITTEE:

General Manager Lucchesi, requested the board consider appointing a two (2) member ad hoc committee to work with staff on the budget. The committee would report their recommendations to the board.

Director Fantozzi made a motion to appoint Director Barbaste and Director Trinta as the Ad Hoc Finance Committee. Second by Director Reichmuth and passed unanimously.

CONSIDER ADOPTION OF THE FY 2019-2020 NORTHERN DELTA MENDOTA REGION SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT BUDGET:

General Manager Lucchesi discussed Sustainable Groundwater Management Act Agreement Cost Allocation with the Board. Lucchesi reported PID's share of the cost is \$54,069, but with the Prop 1 Grant Funding reimbursement, PID's out of pocket cost will be \$16,303.

Director Barbaste made a motion to approve the budget as reported. Second by Director Trinta and passed unanimously.

CONSIDER ADOPTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS TABLET POLICY FOR THE DIGITAL BOARD PACKETS AND AUTHORIZE THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH PERVASENT SOFTWARE, INC. FOR BOARDPAPERS SOFTWARE:

Lucchesi reported the purpose of the Tablet Use Policy is to provide guidelines and procedures for a District Board Member to implement the efficient and appropriate use of the District Tablet. The Tablet's would remain the property of the District, and are being provided to the Board Members for use relating to duties specific to the Board Member's position. In addition, the District needs to enter into an agreement with Pervasant Software Inc. to get the BoardPapers program onto the tablets for usage.

Director Fantozzi made a motion to adopt the Tablet use Policy for digital board packets. Included in the motion Director Fantozzi authorized staff to execute the service agreement with Pervasant Software Inc. Second by Director Barbaste and passed unanimously.

CONSIDER PURCHASE OF 1,400 LF OF 36-INCH PVC PIPE FOR 3-SOUTH PIPELINE REPLACEMENT:

Lucchesi stated, as a continuation from the November board meeting, the Districts' 3-South Pipeline extension is a poured in place concrete pipeline that has been leaking and need of constant repair over the past 15 years. It was recommendation of staff that the District replace the current pipeline with PVC pipe. The estimated cost for 1,400 LF of PVC pipe is \$80,000. It was reported that this expense is just for the purchase of the pipe, the remaining costs will be attributed to the 2019 PID budget, but the pipe needed to be ordered due to a 3-month lead time on delivery.

Following review of two (2) cost estimates, Director Fantozzi made a motion to approve the budget of \$80,000 for 1,400 LF of PVC pipe. Second by Director Reichmuth and passed unanimously.

CONSIDER CONTINUED PARTICIPATION IN DEL PUERTO CANYON RESERVOIR PROJECT:

The Board discussed continued participation in the DPCR Project with the issuance of an RFP for a program manager to move the project forward into the next steps. The discussion centered around

West Stanislaus Irrigation District (WSID) Board's position for future financial commitments being met.

1. Reviewing proposal's received from the RFP
2. Potential of receiving grant funding for planning phases
3. Receiving answers from Reclamation on water rights issues
4. Determining participation percentages based on amount of storage capacity

Director Trinta made a motion to reflect the position of WSID, continued financial participation will be dependent upon requests being satisfied. Second by Director Barbaste and passed unanimously

WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

A written report was included in the Board packet on recent activities and maintenance in the District.

DIRECTORS BRIEFING:

The Directors had nothing to report

MANAGER'S BRIEFING:

General Manager Lucchesi discussed various items that he was working on for the month. Discussion included, coordinated operation of the CVP and SWP, SED Bay Delta Plan Phase 1, Shasta Dam Raise Project, and rescheduling water in the SLR.

CSDA BOARD SECRETARY CONFERENCE REPORT:

Secretary/Treasurer Russell gave a report on the CSDA conference attended in October.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS TRAINING/STRATEGIC PLANNING DISCUSSION:

Lucchesi reported, the Board of Directors Training/Strategic planning meeting is scheduled for January 29th at PID Fire Station 2.

SGMA UPDATE:

Lucchesi reported on meetings attended in November. Lucchesi stated a meeting for the Subbasin was being held December 19th to discuss current and historic water budgets with the hopes of a sub-basin wide adoption in January 2019.

GROWER MEETING DISCUSSION:

Lucchesi reported, the Grower Meeting for 2019 is scheduled for February 27th at PID Fire Station 2.

ETHICS TRAINING:

Secretary Russell notified the Board Members who are outstanding on their ethics training and offered to schedule a time for the affected Board members to come into the office to take the training online.

DRAINAGE AUTHORITY UPDATE:

Lucchesi reported the Coalition has mailed out reminders of annual meeting dates being held in Los Banos, Newman, and Westley. Coalition members are required to attend one Coalition meeting per year.

ADMINISTRATION AND OPERATIONS REPORT:

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

Water Operations Report:

On October 30th 2017, PID started restoration water into the DMC at a flow of approximately 35-37 cfs. Since then, PID has wheeled 21,490 AF. For the month of November, PID wheeled 655 AF for FWA/USBR, introduced 200 AF into the DMC and put 190 AF into storage. At the end of October, PID has 2,037 AF in storage under its Warren Act Contract. It is anticipated the PID will put 1,000 AF into the DMC for USBR and 200AF into storage under PID's Warren Act Contract. Placing PID's storage at the end of November at approximately 2,237 AF.

As of December 1st, the balance of transfer water owed to SCVWD is 3,215 AF.

Construction Report:

Villages of Patterson:

- Construction Issues:
 - PID is still working with Teichert to work out issues from construction: Air Vent Heights, Fixing leaking manholes, and the installation of the air vent on the sub-lateral.
 - Along Walnut, where the new facilities connect to PID's existing dual 36" pipelines. The pipelines convert to a 60" line. The run of 60" line that is along Walnut was only delineated an 18' easement by VOP due to that being the only space they had to offer. PID staff is working with the City of Patterson to work through a potential easement of an additional 7 feet wide by 116 feet long to accommodate the additional space needed for access of the pipeline.
 - The COP has agreed to deed over the additional stretch of land. PID has an agreement⁶ that COP like and we'll execute the deed soon.
 - An issue arose prior to connections to the conversion from the old 3N system to the new. VOP was planning on connecting the 3N 10 sub realignment back to the existing 20" line that was thought to run parallel to Walnut. However, it was found that the line that they intended on connecting to was a 16" sub off of 3N 10. Meaning that the 24" will connect to a 16" that then connects back to the original 20" 3N 10 pipeline. Since PID requested the new line be 24" rather than smaller, the connection to the 16" should have no change in hydraulic ability. However, if the 16" causes an issue with capacity, VOP will be asked to replace the 16" with a 24" in-kind. PID has authorized the project proponent for VOP to go in and replace the pipeline

- It is anticipated that these issues will be resolved after the November 15, shutdown.

Main Canal Rehab:

All contracts are on budget with the exception of Rados with Change Order 1. The change order, if approved above, can be added to the total. Original Contracts - \$12,191,544

- PID submitted the 4th claim to DWR in October

2019 Water Supply Discussion

Lucchesi reported, it is anticipated SLR may not fill and the chances of PID Warren Act water has in storage has the chance of not spilling.

CLOSED SESSION:

The Board announced the items that would be discussed in Closed Session. The Board convened into closed session at 2:55 p.m. to discuss the items below:

- a. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS
(Government Code Section 54956.8)
Property: Water
Agency Negotiator: Vince Lucchesi, General Manager
Negotiating Parties: TBD
Under Negotiation: Instruction to Negotiator will concern price and payment terms
- b. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – POTENTIAL LITIGATION
(Subdivision 9b) of Government Code Section 54956.9)
1 potential case
- c. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION PER GOVERNMENT
CODE SECTION 54957
Title: General Manager

The Board returned to open session 4:00 p.m. President Azevedo reported on actions taken in closed session.

Closed Session Item b. Director Barbaste made a motion to authorize legal counsel to file an amicus brief before the California Supreme Court in the case of Protecting our Water & Environmental Resources v. Stanislaus County. Second by Director Reichmuth and passed unanimously.

With the completion of all agenda items the meeting was adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Toni Russell – Board Secretary