

**PATTERSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT
SPECIAL TELEPHONIC BOARD MEETING
MINUTES**

October 21, 2020

The Board of Directors of the Patterson Irrigation District held a telephonic regular monthly Board meeting. The meeting was called to order at 1:04 by Director Azevedo

Directors Present: John Azevedo, David Fantozzi, Frank Trinta

Directors Absent: Richard Barbaste, David Reichmuth

Others Present:	Vince Lucchesi	General Manager
	Toni Russell	Secretary/Treasurer
	Steve Trinta	Operations/Maintenance Supervisor
	Mark Smith	Smith Policy Group
	Dennis Cardoza	Foley & Lardner LLP
	Jeanne Zolezzi	Legal Counsel

CORRECTIONS OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

General Manager Lucchesi requestion to add an action Item that has come to the attention of the Board that requires immediate attention and possible action by the board, Consider Request from Vaughn Job to use District Canal Bank Road for the construction of a pool behind his house.

Director Trinta made a motion to approve the additions to the agenda. Second by Director Fantozzi and passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

General Manager Lucchesi read an email request from Vaughn Job to use PID's canal bank road for access to his backyard for excavation and installation of a pool.

CONSENT ITEMS:

Agenda Items 4 – 5: Board to Consider: a) September 16, 2020 Meeting Minutes, b) Financial Report, Cash Disbursements Report, Accounts Receivable Report, Draft Budget Report, and PID Reserves Report, for month ending September 2020.

Director Fantozzi made a motion to approve the Consent Items for September 2020. Second by Director Trinta and passed unanimously.

Ayes: Azevedo, Fantozzi, Trinta

Noes: None

Absent: Barbaste, Reichmuth

Abstain: None

ACTION ITEMS

CONSIDER REQUEST FROM VAUGHN JOB TO USE DISTRICT CANAL BANK ROAD:

General Manager Lucchesi discussed the request from Vaughn Job for approval to use the District canal road.

Following a discussion Director Trinta made a motion to deny the request from Vaughn Job. Second by Director Fantozzi and passed unanimously
Ayes: Azevedo, Fantozzi, Trinta
Noes: None
Absent: Barbaste, Reichmuth
Abstain: None

BOARD TO CONSIDER RESOLUTION 10-2020 AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF NOTICES OF STATUTORY EXEMPTION AND CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT FOR APPROVAL OF AND AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND PATTERSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT PROVIDING FOR PROJECT AND REPLACEMENT WATER SERVICE FROM DELTA DIVISION AND FACILITIES REPAYMENT, AUTHORIZING APPROVAL, EXECUTION, AND DELIVERY OF THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND PATTERSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT PROVING FOR PROJECT AND REPLACEMENT WATER SERVICE FROM DELTA FACILITIES AND FACILITIES REPAYMENT AND AUTHORITY ACTION IN FURTHERANCE THEREOF:

General Manager presented to the Board the new 9(d) contract for water service with USBR. In discussion, Lucchesi presented that there are no material changes from the past contract to the proposed other than the new contract would be called a repayment contract. Lucchesi also stated that with the repayment of the debt with USBR, no more RRA forms unless new debt is issued by USBR.

Director Trinta made a motion to adopt Resolution 10-2020, approving the WIIN Act Contract between the United States and Patterson Irrigation District. Included in the motion, the Board directed the Board President to execute the contract and for staff to file the Notice of Exemption. Second by Director Fantozzi and passed unanimously.
Ayes: Azevedo, Fantozzi, Trinta
Noes: None
Absent: Barbaste, Reichmuth
Abstain: None

CONSIDER AUTHORIZING SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH SIERRA CONTROLS FOR THE MARSHALL RESERVOIR PUMP STATION PROJECT:

General Manager Lucchesi presented a proposal received from Sierra Controls in the amount of \$54,425.81 to decommission the existing Marshall Reservoir Pump Station, installation of and startup of the new pump station, and recommissioning of the Two Drains Project. Lucchesi stated the estimate of construction costs provided by the engineers did not include these costs.

Director Fantozzi made a motion to approved the Services Agreement with Sierra Controls for the Marshall Reservoir Pump Station Project. Second by Director Trinta and passed unanimously.
Ayes: Azevedo, Fantozzi, Trinta
Noes: None
Absent: Barbaste, Reichmuth
Abstain: None

CONSIDER AUTHORIZING SERVICES WITH DON PEDRO PUMP TO EXTEND COLUMNS AND ROTATE BASEPLATES ON PUMPS FOR THE MARSHALL RESERVOIR PUMP STATION PROJECT:

General Manager Lucchesi presented a cost estimate from Don Pedro Pump to extend the columns of the existing pumps at the Marshall Reservoir Pump Station and rotate the base plates from their current 45 degree orientation back to square. The estimated costs to complete the work is \$57,738.88.

Director Trinta made a motion approve the cost estimate from Don Pedro Pump in the amount of \$57,738.88. Second by Director Fantozzi and passed unanimously.

Ayes: Azevedo, Fantozzi, Trinta

Noes: None

Absent: Barbaste, Reichmuth

Abstain: None

CONSIDER AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER 1 WITH SIERRA CONTROLS FOR WATER QUALITY INSTRUMENT INTEGRATION SERVICES WORK REIMBURSABLE UNDER THE PROPOSITION 84 TMDL GRANT:

General Manager Lucchesi reported the Change Order received from Sierra Controls in the amount of \$5,280 is for modifying the ClearSCADA database and reporting processes of the Water Quality Instrument data requested by the Drainage Authority. The work is reimbursable under the Prop 84 Grant.

Director Fantozzi made a motion to approve Change Order 1 with Sierra Controls. Second by Director Trinta and passed unanimously.

Ayes: Azevedo, Fantozzi, Trinta

Noes: None

Absent: Barbaste, Reichmuth

Abstain: None

CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION OF PURCHASING HYUNDAI HW140 WHEELED EXCAVATOR AND SELECT EQUIPMENT:

Lucchesi reported, included in the 2020 PID Budget, the Board approved \$150,000 for the purchase of a wheeled excavator. PID has received a quote from Hyundai Dealer, Meocom Equipment for a HW 140 excavator in the amount of \$142,950 plus an additional \$28,801 for attachments. The estimated cost of the excavator/with attachments is \$185,545 delivered.

Director Trinta made a motion to approve the purchase of a new excavator in the amount of \$185,545. Second by Director Fantozzi and passed unanimously.

Ayes: Azevedo, Fantozzi, Trinta

Noes: None

Absent: Barbaste, Reichmuth

Abstain: None

CONSIDER AND ACTION REGARDING AMENDMENTS TO PID PURCHASING POLICY:

At the September board meeting staff discussed amending PID's Purchasing Policy. The minor modifications to the policy would relax some of the requirements for bidding on capital improvements greater than \$100,000.

Director Fantozzi made a motion to approve the amendments to PID's Purchasing Policy. Second by Director Trinta and passed unanimously.

Ayes: Azevedo, Fantozzi, Trinta

Noes: None

Absent: Barbaste, Reichmuth

Abstain: None

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON DATES FOR ENDING 2020/2021 IRRIGATION SEASON AND COMMENCING WITH WINTER MAINTENANCE ACTIVITIES:

General Manager discussed the 2020-21 Winter Operations letter to be mailed out to PID Landowners. Lucchesi stated the district shut down periods would be like last year, and water would be made available around District maintenance activities.

Director Trinta made a motion to approve the 2020-21 Winter Operation Schedule. Second by Director Fantozzi and passed unanimously.

Ayes: Azevedo, Fantozzi, Trinta

Noes: None

Absent: Barbaste, Reichmuth

Abstain: None

WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

Operation Supervisor Trinta gave a report on recent operations and maintenance activities in the District. A written report was included in the board packet for review.

STATE AND FEDERAL AFFAIRS UPDATE:

Mark Smith and Dennis Cardoza provided updates on meetings and calls had regarding garnering support from the environmental community and support in the Fed for possible stimulus funding. Discussions also were on State bonds and proposed bills that could possibly consider the East-West Project to fund.

EAST-WEST CONVEYANCE AD-HOC COMMITTEE UPDATE:

General Manager Lucchesi stated the District is waiting on Bartles Wells Associates report and waiting for a draft report from Stantec regarding the Benefit Assessment.

SGMA UPDATE:

General Manager Lucchesi provided a staff report in the board packet in regard to:

- Budget Status with SLDMWA
- TSS Funded Monitoring Wells
- SGMA Well Owner Workshop – Well registration process is moving forward. PID has had a few well owners register their wells.
- GSP Implementation

OUTSIDE AGENCY/ORGANIZATION REPORTS & UPDATES:

Lucchesi provided Agency and Staff reports on the following:

- Family Farm Alliance
- San Joaquin Valley Water Blueprint Effort
- Storage Projects
- Drainage Authority Update
- FishBio Update
- IRWM/SWMP Update

MANAGEMENT REPORT:

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

- Administration Report
 - COVID-19 Response –

- Provided Staff a memo detailing precautions that are needed to be taken when working for PID.
- Have determined all staff are essential to perform the functions of the District
- Risk Management
 - A sink hole appeared above PID's "Big DMC" pipeline within the USBR right-of-way at Ward Avenue. Staff were going to excavate to investigate the cause of the sink hole. SLDMWA informed PID there has to be a plan in place to investigate. This due to the existing pipe being approximately 15 feet below grade. PID staff will be working with a contractor familiar with these types of facilities to begin the investigation
- Construction Report
- Projects Report
- Water Operation Report

DIRECTORS BRIEFING:

Nothing to report

CLOSED SESSION:

The Board announced the items that would be discussed in Closed Session. The Board convened into closed session at 2:43 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 – EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of Subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9)
California Sportfishing Protection Alliance v Patterson Irrigation District GSA,
Stanislaus County Superior Court Case No. CV-20-001748
- c. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS
(Government Code Section 54956.8)
Property: 047-007-028
Agency Negotiator: Vince Lucchesi, General Manager
Negotiating Parties: CWS Marketing Group, Inc.
Under Negotiation: Instructions to Negotiator will concern price and payment terms

The Board returned to open session 3:25 p.m. Director Azevedo reported no reportable action taken.

With the completion of all agenda items the meeting was adjourned at 3:26 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Toni Russell, Secretary