# PATTERSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

September 18, 2024

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Directors Present: Richard Barbaste, Alan Scheuber, David Fantozzi, John Azevedo, Daniel

Robinson

Directors Absent: None

Others Present: Vince Lucchesi General Manager

Toni Russell Secretary/Treasurer

Greg Reichmuth Water Operations Supervisor

Jeanne Zolezzi General Counsel Syed Bukhari Blomberg & Griffen

# **CORRECTIONS OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:**

None

# **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

### REPORT ITEMS:

### **SGMA UPDATE:**

General Manager Lucchesi provided a report in the board packet regarding:

- SWRCB & DWR Inadequate Determination Process Update
  - This included a discussion on the forthcoming pumping reduction plan and the Tule Subbasin going into probation status and the associated costs and fees for well owners in the subbasin
- GSP Implementation

With the completion of all agenda items the meeting was adjourned at 1:18 p.m.

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## **CORRECTIONS OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:**

General Manager Requested to pull agenda item 15. He was hoping to receive a proposal from a second consultant for GIS services but it didn't come in time. This will be revisited in October.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

### **CONSENT ITEMS**:

9 – 10 Board to Consider: a) August 21, 2024 Regular PID GSA Board Meeting, and August 21, 2024 Regular PID Board Meeting b) Financial Report, Cash Disbursements Report, Reserves Update and Budget to Actual for the month ending in August.

Director Robinson made a motion to approve the Consent Items. Second by Director Scheuber and passed unanimously.

Ayes: Barbaste, Scheuber, Fantozzi, Azevedo, Robinson

Noes: None Absent: None Abstain: None

#### **ACTION ITEMS:**

# BOARD TO CONSIDER ADOPTION OF 2024 AUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT FOR PATTERSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT

Syed Bukhari provided a presentation of the 2023 Audited Financials for the District.

After a few brief questions, Director Azevedo made a motion to adopt the 2023 Audited Financials for the Patterson Irrigation District. Second by Director Robinson and passed unanimously.

Ayes: Barbaste, Scheuber, Fantozzi, Azevedo, Robinson

Noes: None Absent: None Abstain: None

### **BOARD TO ADOPT 2024 BOARD GOVERNANCE AND 2024 BOARD HANDBOOK**

General Manager Lucchesi presented the Board Governance and Board handbook that was provided to the Board in August. Lucchesi noted that he had requested the Board to review the documents for any tweaks that may be necessary. Staff did not receive any comments so the documents provided for adoption are the same that were from the August Board Meeting. Lucchesi noted that this was an item that was listed in the Strategic Plan. Lucchesi noted that after adoption, he'll coordinate with President Barbaste to get the documents signed and have hard copies at the October Board meeting.

After a brief discussion Director Azevedo made a motion to adopt the 2024 Board Governance and 2024 Board Handbook, second by Director Fantozzi and passed unanimously.

Ayes: Barbaste, Scheuber, Fantozzi, Azevedo, Robinson

Noes: None Absent: None Abstain: None

### **BOARD TO CONSIDER RESOLUTION 03-2024 FOR THE SURPLUS OF PID EQUIPMENT**

General Manager Lucchesi presented that the new dump truck and the new flat bed are in service. In addition, trucks 65 and 66 are in need of such repair that the cost to perform repairs are beyond the value of the vehicles. Staff need to surplus trucks 56, 65 and 66.

After a brief discussion Director Scheuber made a motion to adopt resolution 03-2024, second by Director Robinson and passed unanimously.

Ayes: Barbaste, Scheuber, Fantozzi, Azevedo, Robinson

Noes: None Absent: None Abstain: None

# BOARD TO AUTHORIZE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE CONTRACT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A RATE PLAN FOR PID

General Manager Lucchesi provided to the Board proposals from IBC Consulting and Bartle Wells. Lucchesi noted that he met with both consultants and explained the needs for the rate study. Lucchesi also noted that he doesn't believe there is a need for a proposition 218 hearing but needs a sustainable financial model for the future of the District. Lucchesi noted that the proposals were close but Bartle Wells proposal was at \$28,000 and was less than that of IBC. Lucchesi noted that this was in the Strategic Plan.

After a brief discussion Director Azevedo made a motion to approve the agreement with Bartle Wells for \$28,000, second by Director Robinson and passed with a 4-1 vote.

Ayes: Barbaste, Scheuber, Azevedo, Robinson

Noes: Fantozzi Absent: None Abstain: None

### REPORT ITEMS:

# **WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:**

Water Operations Supervisor Reichmuth 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:**

General Manager Lucchesi and Policy Consultant Mark Smith provided updates on the lobbying efforts for the East-West Conveyance project in the State and Federal Government. Lucchesi and Smith also updated the Board on the status of the \$500,000 Appropriations for the appraisal study and the \$40 million from the Inflation Reduction Act for the drought plan support for the construction of the East-West conveyance project.

Mark Smith provided an update on State affairs noting on the status of the climate bond and other laws being considered that may affect PID.

# **2024 PID HOLIDAY PARTY DISCUSSION**

General Manager Lucchesi presented to the Board that the District has booked the bowling alley for December 14 from 4:30 to 7:30 pm. Lucchesi noted that it is more than what we've paid in the past at around \$4,600 for the event.

### **OUTSIDE AGENCY/ORGANIZATION REPORTS & UPDATES:**

Lucchesi provided Agency and Staff reports on the following:

- SLDMWA Activities
- IRWM/SWMP Update
- Drainage Authority Update
- SLDMWA SGMA Update
- FishBio Update
- ACWA Newsletter
- California Farmwater Coalition
- Family Farm Alliance
- San Joaquin Valley Water Blueprint Effort

## **MANAGEMENT REPORT:**

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

- Managers Briefing
- Administration Report
  - Lucchesi provided a report on Personnel
  - Lucchesi Provided a report on Risk Management
- Lucchesi provided a report on construction projects
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  - o Lucchesi noted on items being considered for the 2024 budget.

<u>DIRECTORS BRIEFING</u> : None
OTHER ITEMS Nothing to report
UPCOMING BOARD MEETING(S)
The next Board meeting is scheduled for October 16, 2024
With the completion of all agenda items the meeting was adjourned at 3:06 p.m.
Respectfully Submitted,
Vince Lucchesi, Geneal Manager

• Lucchesi provided a report on Water Operations