# IVANHOE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

Meeting of the Board of Directors 33777 Rd. 164 Visalia, CA 93292 Tuesday, July 11, 2023– Convenes at 1:30 p.m.

# **AGENDA**

## 1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Directors Caviglia, Phillips, Felts, DeLeonardis, Paregien, Peltzer, and Spruitenburg General Manager: Gene Kilgore

## 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public may directly address the Board of Directors on any item of interest to the public within the Board of Directors subject matter or jurisdiction before or during the Board of Directors considerations of the item in accordance with Government Code Section 54954.3 (Brown Act).

# 3. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

a. Review and Approve Revisions to Agenda - ACTION

#### 4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

## 5. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES – ACTION

a. Minutes of the June 13, 2023, Board meeting

## 6. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS - ACTION

- a. Accounts Payable
- b. Financial Statements
- c. 2023 Budget Variance

#### 7. WATER SUPPLY

a. 2023 Water Supply – INFORMATION

# 8. SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

- a. District Maintenance Activities INFORMATION
- b. District Groundwater Levels INFORMATION

## 9. MANAGERS REPORT

- a. Agricultural Water Management Plan UPDATE
- b. Conveyance of Floodwater Outside District ACTION
- c. Bybee Recharge Agreement ACTION

## 10. SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT

a. EKGSA activities - UPDATE

## 11. FRIANT WATER AUTHORITY

- a. Friant Kern Canal Capacity Correction UPDATE
- b. Other Activities UPDATE

# 12. SOUTH VALLEY WATER ASSOCIATION

a. Report on recent activities – INFORMATION

# 13. CLOSED SESSION

- a. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL existing litigation; Pursuant to Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of GC Section 54956.9, the Board will meet to discuss:
  - a. Natural Resources Defense Council vs. Murillo, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of California (Sacramento Division), Case No. 88-cv-1658-LKK-GGH Review status of various issues related to this litigation and implementation of the San Joaquin River Settlement.
  - b. City of Fresno et al vs. United States. U.S. Court of Federal Claims, Case No. 16-1276L.
  - c. Friant Water Supply Protection Association v. Del Puerto Water District et al. Stanislaus Co. Sup. Court Case No. CV-20-005164.
- b. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS (Pursuant to GC Section 54956.8):

Property: District Conveyance Facilities

Agency negotiator: Gene Kilgore

Negotiating parties: Wonderful & Bybee-Timblin Ranch

Under negotiation: Terms and conditions of use

## 14. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

## 15. ADJOURNMENT

Next regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting, Tuesday, August 8, 2023, at 1:30 p.m.

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## IVANHOE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

# REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS 33777 Rd. 164 Visalia, CA 93292

June 13, 2023

The regular meeting of the Ivanhoe Irrigation District Board of Directors was called to order by President Caviglia on June 13, 2023, at 1:32 p.m.; Directors present were, Gary Caviglia, Terry Peltzer, William Spruitenburg, Doug Phillips, Steven Paregien. Director Robert Felts arrived at 2:30 p.m. Director Vito DeLeonardis was absent. Others present were General Manager Gene Kilgore, Superintendent Chris Marshall, Legal Counsel Alex Peltzer, Growers Andrew Hart, and Craig Hornung.

## PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

President Caviglia opened the floor for public comments; none were presented.

#### ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA:

The agenda was approved as presented.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

No announcements were made.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

President Caviglia called for the approval of the May 9, 2023, Board of Directors meeting minutes. On motion by Director Phillips, seconded by Director Paregien, and carried, the Board approved the minutes as presented.

#### APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS:

Mr. Kilgore presented payroll and accounts payable amounting to \$42,811.94 and \$283,339.12, respectively. Following review and discussion, on motion by Director Paregien seconded by Director Phillips, and carried, the Board approved the accounts payable, as presented, and directed payment of said invoices: check numbers 16535-16605, inclusive and included herewith as Attachment "A".

The Citizens Business Bank checking account's May 1st beginning balance was \$1,462,516.64, noting receipts of \$72,174.64 and disbursements of \$130,078.92, the May 31st ending balance was \$1,404,612.36. The District's investments, as of May 31st amounted to the following: Money Market account #688 had a balance of \$12,391.00, Retirement/Payroll account #696 had a balance of \$6,442.70 and the Money Market account #3430 had a balance of \$559,066.12. The L.A.I.F account #009 had a May 31st balance of \$523,561.90 and the Bank of the Sierra 90-day Certificate of Deposit May 31st ending balance was \$505,791.37.

The ending balance for all investment funds amounted to \$1,600,810.39. After review and discussion, on motion by Director Paregien, seconded by Director Phillips and carried, the Board approved the financial statements and reports as presented.

Mr. Kilgore reported that there was one (1) delinquent standby charges and assessment accounts amounting to \$72.80.

#### WATER SUPPLY:

Mr. Kilgore reported that the uncontrolled season and flood release for Millerton and Lake Kaweah, respectively, is expected to continue until July 31, 2023. The Bureau's initial allocation remains at 100% Class 1 and 70% Class 2. However, it is anticipated that the Class 2 allocation will decrease after uncontrolled season flows. Mr. Kilgore reported the District's Friant and Wutchumna May water deliveries have totaled 1275 acre-feet and 610 Acre-feet, respectively, which was used for irrigation and recharge. The District's reservoir recharged amounted to 198.86 Acre-feet. The District continues to divert approximately 20 acre-feet a day into Cottonwood Creek for recharge. Mr. Kilgore presented the District's projected June 2023 Friant water delivery schedule for review.

The District recorded .07 inches of precipitation in the month of May. As of May 31, 2022, accumulated precipitation totaled 21.21 inches for the 2022-23 season.

Mr. Kilgore recommended setting the 2023 grower allocation at 1.46 acre-feet per acre and setting the water rate at \$200 per acre foot, effective July 1, 2023. After discussion, on motion by Director Felts, seconded by Director Peltzer and carried, the Board approved the allocation as recommended and the water rate was set at \$180 per acre foot, effective July 1, 2023.

#### **SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:**

Mr. Marshall reported staff and contractors continue to repair leaks and failed valves.

Mr. Marshall reported the average depth of groundwater measured in June was 106.2 feet. The average groundwater depth measurement dropped by .07 feet from May's measurement. The area that saw the most measurable decline was on the west side of the District.

#### **MANAGERS REPORT:**

Mr. Kilgore reported there has been no activity on the Agricultural Water Management Plan update. The terms to move floodwater or private water outside the District, when permitted by the Bureau and the Kaweah and St. Johns River Association was not discussed.

Mr. Kilgore provided Bybee-Timblin Ranch's terms for a lease of approximately thirteen (13) acres, to be used for District recharge. After discussion, the Board directed management to re-negotiate the terms of the agreement for consideration.

Mr. Kilgore presented Resolution 2023-1, allowing for investing in the Smart Rate Program with Stifel Investing. After discussion, on motion by Director Phillips, seconded by Director Paregien and carried, the

Board adopted the resolution and authorized management to deposit up to \$500,000, if the funds were FDIC insured.

## **SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT:**

Staff and consultants continue to work through the issues to the groundwater sustainability plan and the coordination with Mid and Greater Kaweah GSAs. The East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (EKGSA) was granted funds for recharge projects. One of the projects was the Cottonwood diversion capacity modification. The Project had no lead agency, however since it would benefit the District, Mr. Kilgore volunteered the District to be the lead agency. Mr. Kilgore presented the project for consideration and approval. On motion by Director Peltzer, seconded by Director Spruitenburg and carried, the Board approved the Cottonwood Turnout Increase Capacity Project (Project). Mr. Kilgore also presented for consideration Provost and Pritchard Engineering's consultant and scope of service agreements for the Project. On motion by Director Peltzer, seconded by Director Spruitenburg and carried, the Board approved the agreements.

#### FRIANT WATER AUTHORITY:

Mr. Kilgore reported on the Friant-Kern Canal Middle Reach Correction Project (MRCP), Phase 1 construction is back to full production and making satisfactory progress considering the flood delays. Costs of the flood damage and reimbursement of said cost have yet been determined.

#### SOUTH VALLEY WATER ASSOCIATION:

Mr. Kilgore provided Mr. Vink's report regarding SVWA activities, highlighting Ex Con and Dispute Resolution communication and a report from FishBio.

#### **CLOSED SESSION:**

The Board convened to closed session at 3:50 p.m., and no reportable action was taken. Reconvened to open session at 4:26 p.m., with no recordable action.

#### ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, on motion of Director Peltzer, seconded by Director Felts, and carried, the meeting adjourned at 4:26 p.m. Next meeting scheduled for July 11, 2023.

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