

IVANHOE IRRIGATION DISTRICT
Meeting of the Board of Directors
33777 Rd. 164 Visalia, CA 93292
Tuesday, March 12, 2024 - 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 Agenda – **ACTION**
4. ANNOUNCEMENTS
5. CONSENT CALENDAR
 - a. Minutes of the February 13, 2024, Board meeting
 - b. Accounts Payable
 - c. Financial Statements
 - d. Investment Report
 - e. Delinquent Accounts
6. WATER SUPPLY
 - a. 2024 Water Supply – **INFORMATION**
7. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF REVISED 2024 BUDGET – **ACTION**
8. CONSIDER SETTING 2024 WATER RATE – **ACTION**
9. CONSIDER SETTING 2024 GROWER ALLOCATION – **ACTION**
10. SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT
 - a. District Maintenance Activities
 - b. District Groundwater Levels
11. MANAGERS REPORT
 - a. Agricultural Water Management Plan – **UPDATE**
 - b. Consider 218 Election – **INFORMATION**
 - c. USDA/NRCS Grant – **UPDATE**
 - d. Tri-District Water Authority – **INFORMATION**
12. SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT
 - a. EKGSA activities – **UPDATE**
 - b. Cottonwood Creek Grant – **UPDATE**
13. FRIANT WATER AUTHORITY
 - a. Associate Member Agreement – **INFORMATION**
 - b. Friant-Kern Canal Capacity Correction – **UPDATE**

14. SOUTH VALLEY WATER ASSOCIATION

- a. Report on recent activities – UPDATE

15. 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 LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to § 54956.9(b): (1 potential cases)
- c. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS (Pursuant to GC Section 54956.8):
Property: District Conveyance Facilities
Agency negotiator: Gene Kilgore
Negotiating parties: Wonderful
Under negotiation: Terms and conditions of use

16. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

17. ADJOURNMENT

Next regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting, Tuesday, April 9, 2024, 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

March 12, 2024

The regular meeting of the Ivanhoe Irrigation District Board of Directors was called to order by President Caviglia on February 13, 2024, at 1:30 p.m.; Directors present were, Gary Caviglia, Doug Phillips, Terry Peltzer, William Spruitenburg, Doug Phillips, Steven Paregien, and Bob Felts. Director DeLeonardis was absent. Others present were General Manager Gene Kilgore, Superintendent Chris Marshall, Water Analyst Maria Silva, and growers Craig Hornung and Andrew Hart.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Andrew Hart requested the Board consider accepting credit card payments.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA:

The agenda was approved as presented.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Manager Kilgore reported that Director Phillips attended the regularly scheduled Friant Board meeting on January 19th and a special meeting called on February 12, 2024.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

President Caviglia called for the approval of the January 9, 2024, Board of Directors meeting minutes. On motion by Director Phillips, seconded by Director Felts, and carried, the Board approved the minutes with edits of correct meeting dates.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS:

Mr. Kilgore presented January's payroll and accounts payable amounting to \$ 58,108.08 and \$49,044.71, respectively. Following review and discussion, on motion by Director Peltzer seconded by Director Paregien, and carried, the Board approved the accounts payable, as presented, and directed payment of said invoices: check numbers 16934-16985, inclusive and included herewith as Attachment "A".

The Citizens Business Bank checking account's January 1st beginning balance was \$1,644,035.86, and the January 31st ending balance was \$1,664,405.71. Payroll account #696 had an ending balance of \$21,489.89.

The District's investments, as of January 31st amounted to the following: Money Market account #688 had a balance of \$12,399.31, Money Market account #3430 had a balance of \$559,441.50, L.A.I.F account #009 had a balance of \$532,430.93, Bank of the Sierra 90-day Certificate of Deposit's had a balance of \$521,922.76 and the Stifel Smart Rate Plan ending balance was \$513,611.18. The ending balance for all investment funds amounted to \$2,139,805.68.

Mr. Kilgore noted there were fourteen (14) delinquent accounts amounting to \$8,196.81. After review and discussion, on motion by Director Peltzer, seconded by Director Paregien, and carried, the Board approved the financial statements and reports as presented.

WATER SUPPLY:

Mr. Kilgore reported that the 2023/2024 CVP allocation is tracking between 60-70 percent. The Friant-Kern Canal was put back in service on February 1, 2024. There was 1.85 inches of precipitation recorded in January, for a season total of 4.72 inches.

ADOPT PROPOSED 2024 BUDGET

Mr. Kilgore presented the proposed 2024 budget for review and discussion. On motion by Director Phillips, seconded by Director Spruitenburg, and carried, the Board adopted the 2024 Budget, acquiescing to amending it when water revenues can be reliably forecasted.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:

Mr. Marshall reported the average depth of groundwater measured in February was 100.42 feet. The average groundwater depth measurement rose by 1.99 feet from January's measurement.

Mr. Marshall reported that a section of the concrete line is in the process of being replaced.

MANAGERS REPORT:

There was no progress on the Agricultural Water Management Plan. Mr. Kilgore reported that he was coordinating with the District's engineering consultant to develop the 218-election budget. Mr. Marshall reported the USDA/NRCS grant pipeline replacement project was in progress and the estimated completion date is anticipated to be mid- March.

TRI-DISTRICT WATER AUTHORITY (TDWA):

Mr. Kilgore reported he has met with legal counsel and preliminarily the Tri-District Water Authority may need to approve amending the TDWA Joint Powers Agreement that all three Districts have executed.

SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT:

Mr. Kilgore reported on the mitigation water of .05 acre-feet per acre that was available to be purchased. Also, the technical advisor committee was scheduled to meet to discuss surface water credits and if they are before or after the groundwater cap of 2.50 acre-feet per acre. Mr. Hornung provided a brief assessment. Mr. Kilgore reported on the Cottonwood Creek grant progress. The Bureau is reviewing the project.

FRIANT WATER AUTHORITY (FWA):

Mr. Kilgore asked the Board to consider a potential timeline as to if or when the District may join Friant.

Mr. Kilgore reported the contractors have the plugs in place and water is being shunted around a section of the new canal to allow the contractor to complete placing the concrete liner.

SOUTH VALLEY WATER ASSOCIATION:

Mr. Kilgore reported no current reportable activity.

CLOSED SESSION:

The Board convened to closed session at 3:32 p.m.

Reconvened to open session at 4.23 p.m., with no recordable action.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, on motion by Director Paregien, seconded by Director Peltzer, and carried, the meeting adjourned at 4:24 p.m. Next meeting was scheduled for March 12, 2024, at 1:30 p.m.

Gary Caviglia, President

General Manager, Gene Kilgore