

IVANHOE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

33777 Rd. 164 Visalia, CA 93292

April 12, 2022

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Ivanhoe Irrigation District was called to order by President Gary Caviglia on April 12, 2022, at 1:32 p.m. Directors present were: Gary Caviglia, Bob Felts, Doug Phillips, Steve Paregien, Terry Peltzer, Vito DeLeonardis and William Spruitenburg. There were no directors absent. Others present were: General Manager Gene Kilgore, Dale Brogan, Chris Marshall, Arely Egger, Alex Peltzer, Andrew Hart, Craig Hornung Mark Pascoe, Cole Karr, John Kirkpatrick and Alan Becker.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Cole Karr with California Special Districts Association (CSDA) introduced himself and provided a brief synopsis of the services CSDA provides.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

President Caviglia called to accept the agenda. On motion of Director Phillips, seconded by Director Peltzer and unanimously carried, the agenda was approved as presented with no edits.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

President Caviglia called for approval of the minutes of the March 8, 2022 Board meeting. A typo correction to correct Phillip to Phillips was identified by Director Phillips. On motion by Director Phillips, seconded by Director DeLeonardis and unanimously carried, the minutes were approved with typo correction.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

Ms. Egger presented the accounts payable for review. Following review and discussion, on motion of Director Felts, seconded by Director Paregien and unanimously carried, the Board approved the accounts payable, as presented and ordered that the invoices be paid: check numbers 15985-16026, inclusive and included herewith as Attachment "A".

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS:

Ms. Egger reviewed the financial statements and reports prepared for the month noting receipts of \$42,498.01 and disbursements of \$194,979.62. It was further reported that as of March 31, 2022, the District had an active bank balance of \$915,498.54 at Citizens Business Bank. Following review and discussion, on motion of Director Peltzer, seconded by Director DeLeonardis and unanimously carried, the financial report was approved as presented and ordered placed on file. The Board also instructed staff to draft an investment

policy to be considered for adoption at the next District Board meeting. The Board also instructed staff to develop a strategy to diversify the District's funds.

WATER SUPPLY:

Mr. Brogan provided a report to the Board regarding the status of the 2022 water supply. It was noted that the initial water supply declaration of 15 percent Class 1 remains subject to change as a number of issues remain to be resolved over the next few weeks, including a potential release from Millerton Lake to the San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors, planned delta exports, San Luis Reservoir operations, and continued refinement of the San Joaquin River hydrology and projected runoff. Howbeit incorrectly administered, the Bureau increased its initial scheduled water from 200,000 to 452,000 acre-feet for the exchange contractors. However, due to the channel capacity limitation of 1210 cubic feet per second, the exchange contractors may not be able to take delivery of the volume allocated by the Bureau, thus Friant contractors may be able to purchase some water back. There are discussions that potentially 40-70,000 acre-feet of Unreleased Restoration Flows may become available in the next few weeks.

Mr. Brogan also reviewed final delivery numbers for the 2021 water year, including February recharge operations and the amount of project water that was carried over to the 2022 water year. Also reviewed were reconciled water payments made to the Bureau of Reclamation for the 2021 water year. Carryover water was finalized amounting to 622 acre-feet.

Staff reported rainfall for the month of March totaled 1.04 inches for a year-to-date total of 8.32 inches. The Board discussed allocating water at .20 acre-feet per acre and an initial cost of \$400 per acre-foot. A start date was contingent on the competition to the Rockhill pump station but anticipated to begin no later than May 16, 2022.

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT:

Mr. Marshall reported on the following maintenance activities for the month of March:

- 69 Sparling meters all serviced and re-installed
- Replaced meter 69-17M and 68-12N-5 with new AG3000 Meters.
- Rocky Hill pump station is being reviewed by staff and will be sizing the pump and motor with Carver Pump Service.
- Vollmers finished installation of 440 feet, 16-inch diameter, service line near Rd. 152 on Ave. 336
- Johnsons well drilling rig broke down while working on the office well, however it is anticipated they will be back onsite the week of April 18.
- Elliott Ag Service provided a quote of \$3,300 to mow and disk the reservoirs. The Board instructed staff to defer the maintenance of the reservoirs until next maintenance period.

GROUNDWATER LEVELS:

Mr. Marshall reported that the average depth to groundwater for the month of April was 114.1 feet, a decline of 2.4 feet from February.

EAST KAWEAH GSA-SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT (SGMA):

The Board directed staff to draft banking, transfer and credit policies to assist growers in becoming SGMA compliant. The GSA will hold a landowner's meeting on April 25th, 2022, to receive landowner input on the draft groundwater allocation rules and regulations for the 2021-22 allocation.

SOUTH VALLEY WATER ASSOCIATION:

Craig Hornung provided a summary of the growers visit, coordinated by Mr. Vink, to Ernest Conant's office in Sacramento. Mr. Conant, although sympathetic to the growers' frustrations, reiterated there was nothing his office can do and that the Friant contractors needed to prevail at the April 28th hearing.

TRI-DISTRICT WATER AUTHORITY:

No discussion.

CLOSED SESSION:

President Caviglia moved the Board into closed session to discuss existing litigation with legal counsel: City of Fresno vs. the United States, and Friant Water Supply Protection Association vs. Del Puerto Water District et.al., per Government Code 54956.9.

RECONVENED TO OPEN SESSION:

Back into open session, the Board authorized Mr. Peltzer to draft and submit a letter in support of Friant Water Authority's comment letter to the State Water Resource Control Board supporting the Bureau's Notice of Petition for temporary change involving up to 76,069 acre-feet of water under existing license and permits.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, on motion of Director DeLeonardis, seconded by Director Felts and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 4:11 p.m.

Gary Caviglia, President

Gene Kilgore

APPROVED: May 10, 2022