

NORTH SAN JOAQUIN WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Lodi Grape Festival Grounds – Barrel Room
413 E. Lockeford Street, Lodi CA
Zoom - Teleconference Meeting

Monday November 29, 2021

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

**CONDUCTED BY TELECONFERENCE IN COMPLIANCE WITH GOVERNOR NEWSOM'S
EXECUTIVE ORDER RELAXING BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS DUE TO COVID-19**

- 1. Call to Order - Roll Call - Acceptance of Agenda** - The meeting was called to order by President Valente at 2:08 pm. A motion for the acceptance of the Agenda for the meeting on November 29, 2021, made by Vice President Flinn, second by Secretary Simpson. Motion passed unanimously 4/0/0.

President Joe Valente - Area 3
Vice President Tom Flinn - Area 2
Secretary David Simpson – Area 1
Treasurer Charles Starr – Area 4 - Absent
Director Marden Wilber – Area 5

General Counsel Jennifer Spaletta
Special Counsel Roger Masuda - Absent
Daniel de Graaf – District Engineer
Deputy Secretary Shasta Burns

- 2. Correspondence/Announcements-** Landowner communications and water contractors mail reviewed.
- 3. Action Items** Note: Votes recorded as: For/Against/Abstention (name)
- A.** Approval of the Minutes of the October 25, 2021 Regular Scheduled Board meeting – A motion to review and approve the Minutes of the October 25, 2021 Regular Board Meeting made by Vice President Flinn, second by Director Wilber. Motion passed 4/0/0.
- B.** Financial Matters
- a. Receive and File NSJWCD Monthly Treasurer’s Report– Reviewed Monthly Treasurer’s Report in the board meeting packet. A motion to receive and file the NSJWCD Monthly Treasurers Report, made by Secretary Simpson, second by Vice President Flinn. Motion passed 4/0/0.
- b. Receive and File TLID #1 Monthly Treasurer’s Report – Reviewed Monthly Treasurer’s Report. A motion to receive and file the TLID #1 Monthly Treasurer’s Report made by Vice President Flinn, second by Secretary Simpson. Motion passed 4/0/0.
- c. Receive and File ID #3 Monthly Treasurer’s Report – Reviewed Monthly Treasurer’s report. A motion to receive and file the ID #3 Monthly Treasurer’s Report by Vice President Flinn, second by Director Wilber. Motion passed 4/0/0.
- d. Approve Transfers from County Fund to General Account and true-up transfers between accounts – Update only
- e. ACWA Membership Bill- Reviewed updated bill and approved in the

November Treasurers Reports

- C. Review Water Supply Conditions and Operations – EBMUD update.**
 - a. Curtailment Order and Compliance – No update at this time.
- D. South System Projects**
 - a. South Pump Station Project – Status Report from Daniel de Graaf. Project is operational and complete pending final testing when water is available. Fencing on communications tower will be put in place for final. Sierra Controls is scheduled to do a training with the District on December 16, 2021.
 - b. Brandt/Tretheway Project – Sierra Controls will be on site 11/30/2021 and 12/01/2021 to complete final run through of system. Final calibration of the flow meters cannot occur until water is available.
 - c. Dream/Pixley Pipeline – Installation of the Pipeline from Pixley Slough to Bear Creek has been completed. Installation of the filter station slab is complete, and the filter station is coming together. Installation of the Mosher Slough Crossing has been completed. Installation of the Pipeline from Bear Creek to the EBMUD right of way has been completed. Installation of the air vents and valves for turnouts and in the process of being completed. Installation of the temporary Bear Creek Crossing or the permanent Bear Creek Crossing is on hold until further notice from the permitting agencies.
 - d. Next RFP for South Distribution System – (Prop 1 Grant Project) – General Counsel and Engineer Daniel de Graaf gave a report
 - i. Current Prop 1 Grant Project –
 - 1. Outreach to Handel Manor lateral landowners – Landowner meetings are set for December 1, 2021 to discuss the south system pipeline and improvement districts to aid in final design of the new boxes.
- E. Grant Activity**
 - a. CA Prop 1 Grant Project – Ongoing at this time and going well.
 - i. Engineer Review of status of next RFP
 - b. New Federal Appropriation – Petrea from Consero Solutions gave a verbal overview NSJWCD projects that are proposed for Federal Appropriation in FY 2022. Differences in House and Senate versions will be resolved in committee.
 - i. Tecklenburg Parcel Appraisal – Board discussion to have Tecklenburg Parcel appraised. A motion to approve the next steps for Secretary Simpson and General Counsel Spaletta to research appraisal for Tecklenburg Parcel and bring an estimate back to the December Board Meeting, made by Director Wilber, second by Secretary Simpson. Motion passed 4/0/0
 - c. New IRWM Round 2 – Update on grant standings and availability by Petrea from Consero Solutions. Reviewed memo verbally (available upon request).
 - d. SGMA Implementation Round 2 – North System Recharge Project. Reviewed above in new grant funding opportunities. Consero will draft grant spreadsheet monthly for clarifications and match requirements for each.
 - i. North System Recharge Project – No update at this time.
 - ii. Stormwater Recharge Project – Vice President Flinn reviewed
 - iii. Other projects, studies, or data needs – No update at this time.
- F. Maintenance-**
 - a. Pump Station Maintenance Report - No report at this time.
 - b. Maintenance Contract – No report at this time.
- G. IRWM Program Activity – General Counsel reviewed information on the last**

IRWM meeting and recommendation to award the district \$3 million dollars for recharge projects.

- H. Strategic Plan Process/Public Outreach –
 - a. November Workshop – No further update at this time
 - b. Newsletter – Newsletter is printing and will be sent out to landowners this week.
 - c. Consider adopting Strategic Plan – Overview of the Strategic Plan that has been presented multiple times to Board Members and Public Landowner’s by Consero Solutions. A motion to approve Strategic Plan text in the plan provided in the Board Meeting Packet made by Vice President Flinn, second by Director Wilber. Motion passed 4/0/0 Staff will take text approved and present as “Final” on the District Website.
- I. SGMA Financing Discussion – General Counsel reviewed foundation questions regarding determination of District’s share and how to raise those funds.
 - a. White Paper re Funding the Strategic Plan – Board discussion on Financing Strategy in packet. General Counsel Spaletta reviewed Funding the NSJWCD Strategic Plan Draft Discussion Paper. Discussion items include how much money the District needs to raise. Direction to have Counsel and District Engineer to prepare necessary spreadsheet with Land Use Codes scenarios and present at the December Board Meeting. One to two-page summary will be drafted and presented at the December Board Meeting for the Financing portion of the Strategic Plan.
- J. Sustainable Groundwater Management Act/ GWA Activity –
 - a. DWR Draft Comments on GSP – General Counsel reviewed comments listed in the board meeting packet. Final comments will be out at the end of January 2022. Comments seem attainable and some corrections are needed.
 - b. Survey regarding Accounting – General Counsel reviewed process of accounting plans and included accounting that has been done at this time and survey sent by accountant and trying to identify which GSA’s are most responsible for overdraft and GSA’s that are self-sufficient and includes model for accounting.
- K. Landowner communications – Meetings are scheduled for Handel Lateral landowners.
- L. Discussion of Board Planning Calendar – ID3 Billing will be sent out.

4. Director and Staff Reports

- A. President’s Report – No report at this time.
 - B. General Counsel Spaletta – No report at this time.
 - C. District Manager/Engineer – No report at this time.
 - D. Committee Reports – Secretary Simpson reported on website updates.
 - E. Other – No reports at this time.
- 5. **Public Comment** – Public comments were received.
 - 6. **Closed Session** – The Board enter into closed session at 4:15 PM and came out of Closed Session at 4:25 PM. There was no reportable action.
 - 7. **Adjournment** - Motion to adjourn the NSJWCD Regular Meeting on November 29, 2021 made by Vice President Flinn, second by Treasurer Wilber. Motion passed 4/0/0. Meeting adjourned 4:26 PM.

The next regular scheduled Board Meeting December 21, 2021, from 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM. Location and method TBA due to COVID-19 Executive Order.

The above minutes of the North San Joaquin Water Conservation District Board of Directors Meeting of November 29, 2021.

Respectfully submitted:

Shasta Burns, Deputy Secretary