

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
Eastside Water District
Thursday, April 19, 2018**

Chairman Al Rossini called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. at the Turlock Irrigation District Office, 333 Canal Drive, Turlock, CA.

Present Directors: Ty Angle, Ward Burroughs, Tim Johnson, Dexter Long, Norik Naraghi, and Al Rossini

Others Present: Karna Harrigfeld, Legal Counsel, Ryan Honnette, John Lambie, EPUR, and Karen Whipp, Board Secretary

ITEM 2 Public Comments: NONE

ITEM 3 It was moved by Ward Burroughs, seconded by Tim Johnson, and **carried unanimously** to approve the minutes of the March 15, 2018 board meeting.

ITEM 4 The financial report showed \$1,357,245.17 as of February 28, 2018. It was moved by Dexter Long, seconded by Ward Burroughs, and **carried unanimously** that the bills as presented for April 2018 be approved and paid.

ITEM 5 It was moved by Tim Johnson, seconded by Ward Burroughs, and **carried unanimously** to approve the Records Retention Policy.

ITEM 6 The board directed staff to prepare and submit a Request for Proposal to companies to perform the district's annual audit.

ITEM 7 The board reviewed the changes made to the general manager job description. The board decided to revisit the general manager position in six months to a year, depending on upcoming projects. SO NOTED

ITEM 8 There was a brief discussion on the progress of 2018 Land Annexation. Staff was directed to send the current list of landowners interested in annexing their land into the district to the board members. SO NOTED

ITEM 9 It was moved by Ward Burroughs, seconded by Tim Johnson, and **carried unanimously** to authorize Kevin Kauffman and the district's legal counsel to prepare and submit comments on the Draft Program Environmental Impact Report Availability of Discretionary Well Permitting and Management Program on behalf of the Eastside Water District.

ITEM 10

Regarding the Diffused Surface Water Project:

- a. Dry Creek:
 - i. John Lambie, EPUR gave a presentation on the Dry Creek project. SO NOTED.
 - ii. Tim Johnson moved, seconded by Dexter Long, and **carried unanimously** to approve the Merced Irrigation District Water Transfer agreement.
- b. Rouse Lake Area:
 - i. The water consultant and legal counsel have been working with consultants to develop the project description and discussing the environmental process. SO NOTED.
- c. Mustang Creek:
 - i. Following discussion on the Mustang Creek agreement between Merced County and Eastside Water District, Ward Burroughs moved, seconded by Ty Angle to approve the agreement. The motion was **carried** by the following roll call vote:
Yes: Ty Angle, Ward Burroughs, Dexter Long, Al Rossini
No: Tim Johnson, Norik Naraghi. Tim Johnson wanted it noted in the minutes that he wants the project, but the agreement hasn't been reviewed by legal counsel.
Abstain: None
Absent: Wes Sperry
- d. Water Purchases from Turlock Irrigation District and Merced Irrigation District for the 2018 Irrigation Season:
 - i. Tim Johnson moved, seconded by Dexter Long, and **carried unanimously** to approve water purchase for landowners from Turlock Irrigation District for the 2018 Irrigation Season. Water purchase from Merced Irrigation District was previously approved.

ITEM 11

There was a brief update on the East Turlock Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency Joint Powers Authority, and the first public workshop. SO NOTED.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

I hereby certify that this is a full and correct copy of the minutes of the Board of Directors of the Eastside Water District of Merced and Stanislaus Counties, California.

April 19, 2018

Karen L. Whipp

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EASTSIDE WATER DISTRICT BOARD CLERK