

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
Eastside Water District
Thursday, April 18, 2019**

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: Ward Burroughs, Tim Johnson, Dexter Long, Norik Naraghi, Al Rossini, and Wes Sperry

Others Present: Frank Brumley, Kevin Kauffman, Water Consultant, Michael Stack, Karen Whipp, Board Secretary and Jeanne Zolezzi, Legal Counsel

ITEM 2 Public Comments: **There were no public comments.**

ITEM 3 It was moved by Tim Johnson, seconded by Dexter Long, and **carried unanimously** to approve the minutes of the March 21, 2019 board meeting.

ITEM 4 The financial report showed \$1,394,354.61 as of March 31, 2019. It was moved by Tim Johnson, seconded by Norik Naraghi, and **carried unanimously**, that the bills as presented, for April 2019.

ITEM 5 Following the audit report from Kip Hudson, it was moved by Ward Burroughs, seconded by Tim Johnson, and **carried unanimously** to accept the 2016-17 and 2017-18 financial audit.

ITEM 6 The Water Consultant gave a brief update on the annexation, including the final work of the maps.

ITEM 7 Regarding the Diffused Surface Water Project:

- a. Rouse Lake Area:
 - i. The Water Consultant stated he hadn't met with the landowner group yet, but did meet with the Pitts family who are willing to have a well monitored.
- b. Mustang Creek:
 - i. The Water Consultant gave a brief update on the Bill of Sale, stating there was nothing new to report.
 - ii. It was moved by Ward Burroughs, seconded by Dexter Long, and **carried unanimously** to approve a contract with Torrent, upon contract review by legal counsel, for a Pilot Project for three dry wells at a price not to exceed \$180,000 (one hundred eighty thousand dollars).
 - iii. It was moved by Ward Burroughs, seconded by Tim Johnson, and **carried unanimously** to have the water consultant and legal counsel meet with the State Water Board to discuss how to best craft either temporary or a permanent water rights application for Sand Creek and Mustang Creek

since these waters historically do not flow into the Merced or San Joaquin Rivers.

- iv. There was discussion about a proposed landowner pipeline to convey Merced Irrigation District water. The water consultant will set up a meeting to discuss this proposal with the landowners for the proposed area.
- c. Pilot Project Proposal for TID Drain F-1 (Grizzly Ranch):
 - i. The water consultant gave an update on the baseline work being done by Parjana, the list of data Parjana will be collecting, and that they will begin installation before the end of the month.
- d. It was moved by Ward Burroughs, seconded by Dexter Long, and **carried unanimously** to approve the 2019 Merced Irrigation District and Eastside Water District Water Transfer Agreement to purchase water and authorize the board chair to sign the agreement.

ITEM 8 The Water Consultant gave update on the East Turlock Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency Joint Powers Authority, which included the CV SALTS Nitrate Pilot Project Steering Committee meeting.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:53 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 18, 2019

Karen L. Whipp

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EASTSIDE WATER DISTRICT BOARD CLERK