

**Revised Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board  
of Directors Eastside Water District  
Thursday, February 18, 2021**

Chairman Tim Johnson called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. via conference call due to COVID-19 and shelter in place orders. California State Governor Newsom's Executive Order N- 29-20, signed March 4, 2020 allows local and state legislative bodies to hold meetings via teleconference and to make meetings accessible electronically during the pandemic. Once the governor's shelter in place orders have been lifted the board will go back to regular meetings at Turlock Irrigation District.

**Present Directors: Roll Call-** Ty Angle, Ward Burroughs, Tim Johnson, Norik Naraghi, and Wes Sperry

**Others Present:** Jeff Hillberg, AIGS Capital, Kip Hudson, Hudson, Henderson and Company, Kevin Kauffman, John Lambie, EPUR, Karen Whipp, Board Secretary, and Jeanne Zolezzi, Legal Counsel

**ITEM 2** Public Comments: NONE.

**ITEM 3** It was moved by Wes Sperry, seconded by Ward Burroughs, and **carried unanimously** to approve the minutes of the January 21, 2021 board meetings. **Roll Call Vote: Ty Angle-Yes, Ward Burroughs-Yes, Tim Johnson-Yes, Norik Naraghi-Yes, Wes Sperry-Yes.**

**ITEM 4** The financial report showed \$4,527,429.16 as of January 31, 2021. It was moved by Wes Sperry, seconded by Ward Burroughs, and **carried unanimously**, that the bills as presented for January 2021 be paid. **Roll Call Vote: Ty Angle-Yes, Ward Burroughs-Yes, Tim Johnson-Yes, Norik Naraghi-Yes, Wes Sperry-Yes.**

**ITEM 5** Kip Hudson, Hudson, Henderson and Company, the District's accountant presented the financial audit for the years ending June 2019 and 2019. It was moved by Ward Burroughs, seconded by Wes Sperry, and **carried unanimously**, to accept the financial audit as presented. **Roll Call Vote: Ty Angle-Yes, Ward Burroughs-Yes, Tim Johnson-Yes, Norik Naraghi-Yes, Wes Sperry-Yes.**

**ITEM 6** Update and Possible Action Regarding the Diffused Surface Water Project:

- a. TID Water for Potential Groundwater Recharge Projects – 2020 Status:  
Kevin reported that there is no water currently available. He reported that he would be attending a TID meeting today following the Eastside Water District board meeting.
- b. Rouse Lake Area (North System) - Landowner Update:  
Kevin reported there is nothing new to report at this time. Jeff Hillberg, representing AIGS Capital, the new landowner, attended the meeting today. He

- said the company is interested in working on projects with the district.
- c. Grizzly Nut Ranch F-1 Gate and Other Pilot Projects:
- i. John Lambie, EPUR gave a PowerPoint presentation and difficulties in understanding the data.
  - ii. **There was nothing new to report.**
- d. Mustang Creek (South System):
- i. Pilot Dry Wells Project:
    - Regarding the operations of the Torrent Dry Well Project, it was moved by Ward Burroughs, seconded by Wes Sperry, and **carried unanimously**, to approve the EPUR Change Order Number One for eight thousand eight hundred forty-eight dollars (\$8,848). **Roll Call Vote: Ty Angle-Yes, Ward Burroughs-Yes, Tim Johnson-Yes, Norik Naraghi-Yes, Wes Sperry-Yes.**
    - Legal Counsel Jeanne Zolezzi stated she had nothing new to report.
  - ii. Operations:
    - Regarding Project Maintenance- Kevin Kauffman will be meeting with TID to discuss operations for a detention basin. Hensley Paving is clearing out more brush.
  - iii. Regarding the Proposed Upland Pipeline Project East of Turlock, CA:
    - Regarding Water Supply – The Merced Irrigation District contract is signed and in place. The next step is to finish the design and build the project.

**ITEM 7** The board directed legal counsel to find a firm the district could contract with for a general manager.

**ITEM 8** The East Turlock Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency Joint Powers Authority Updates:

- a. John Lambie gave brief update the GSP; and
- b. John Lambie gave an update on the Groundwater Monitoring Program.

The Regular Meeting was closed at 10:33 a.m.

**ITEM 9** Closed Session was called to order at 10:34 am to discuss the following item. No action was taken.  
A Conference with Real Property Negotiations (§ 54956.8) regarding Water Rights.  
The Agency Negotiator: Kevin Kauffman and Jeanne Zolezzi. The Negotiating Parties: Kevin Kauffman and Jeanne Zolezzi.

The Board provided Legal Counsel and Water Consultant with direction and no action was taken during closed session. Chairman Tim Johnson adjourned closed session at 10:59 a.m.

There being no further business, Chairman Tim Johnson moved the meeting be adjourned at 11:00 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.

January 21, 2021

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KAREN L. WHIPP  
EASTSIDE WATER DISTRICT BOARD CLERK