

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of  
Directors Eastside Water District  
Thursday, April 15, 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, Dexter Long, and Al Rossini

**Others Present:** Matt Brady, Austin High, Chase Hurley Kevin Kauffman, John Lambie, EPUR, Spencer Schmidt, Karen Whipp, Board Secretary, Sara Woolf, and Jeanne Zolezzi, Legal Counsel

**ITEM 2** Public Comments: NONE.

**ITEM 3** It was moved by Al Rossini, seconded by Ward Burroughs, and **carried unanimously** to approve the minutes of the March 18, 2021 board meetings. **Roll Call Vote: Ty Angle-Yes, Ward Burroughs-Yes, Tim Johnson-Yes, Dexter Long-Yes, Al Rossini-Yes.**

**ITEM 4** The financial report showed \$4,430,657.94 as of March 31, 2021. It was moved by Al Rossini, seconded by Ty Angle, and **carried**, that the bills as presented for April 2021 be paid. **Roll Call Vote: Ty Angle-Yes, Ward Burroughs-Abstain, Tim Johnson-Yes, Dexter Long-Yes, Al Rossini-Yes.**

**ITEM 5** Update and Possible Action Regarding the Diffused Surface Water Project:

- a. TID Water for Potential Groundwater Recharge Projects – 2020 Status:  
Kevin Kauffman reported that there is no water currently available.
- b. Rouse Lake Area (North System) - Landowner Update:  
Kevin reported there is nothing new to report at this time.
- c. Grizzly Nut Ranch F-1 Gate and Other Pilot Projects:
  - i. Regarding Project Data Collection and Current Progress there was nothing new to report.
  - ii. Regarding TID water and LRGNR flush water option Kevin gave a brief update.
- d. Mustang Creek (South System):
  - i. Pilot Dry Wells Project:
    - John Lambie, EPUR gave a PowerPoint presentation on Mustang Creek.
    - Regarding Water Rights—There was nothing new to report.

- ii. Operations:
  - Regarding Project Maintenance—Kevin Kauffman gave a brief update.
- iii. The Proposed Upland Pipeline Project East of Turlock, CA:
  - It was moved by Dexter Long, seconded by Al Rossini and **carried unanimously** to authorize Kevin Kauffman to obtain Design-Build quotes for the Upland Pipeline Project. **Roll Call Vote: Ty Angle-Yes, Ward Burroughs-Yes, Tim Johnson-Yes, Dexter Long-Yes, Al Rossini-Yes.**
  - Regarding Water Supply – A check for \$147,000 was being delivered to MID to pay for this year’s water supply.

**ITEM 6** In reference to discussion and possible action to contract with a new water consultant there is nothing new to report at this time.

**ITEM 7** The East Turlock Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency Joint Powers Authority Updates:

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

The Regular Meeting was closed at 9:39 a.m.

**ITEM 8** Closed Session was called to order at 9:42 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 10:05 a.m.

The Regular Meeting was reopened at 10:06 a.m.

There being no further business, Chairman Tim Johnson moved the meeting be adjourned at 10:08 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 15, 2021

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KAREN L. WHIPP  
EASTSIDE WATER DISTRICT BOARD CLERK