## Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors Eastside Water District Thursday, November 21, 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: Ty Angle, Tim Johnson, Dexter Long, Norik Naraghi, Al Rossini, and

Wes Sperry

Others Present: Michael Brenton, Stanislaus County, Kevin Kauffman, John Lambie,

EPUR, Allan Vera-Garcia, EPUR, Gary Ruiz, Brent Stout, Ted Thorn,

Karen Whipp, Board Secretary, and Jeanne Zolezzi, Legal Counsel

**ITEM 2** Public Comments: NONE.

<u>ITEM 3</u> It was moved by Dexter Long, seconded by Tim Johnson, and **carried unanimously** to approve the minutes of the October 17, 2019 board meeting.

<u>ITEM 4</u> The financial report showed \$1,057,968.01. as of October 31, 2019. It was moved by Wes Sperry, seconded by Norik Naraghi, and **carried unanimously**, that the bills as presented, for October 2019 be paid.

TEM 5 The Water Consultant reported on the annexation progress. He told the board that he and legal counsel will attend public hearing that is set for the first week in December.

## **ITEM 6** Regarding the Diffused Surface Water Project:

- a. Rouse Lake Area (North System):
  - i. The water consultant there has been no meeting with landowners. He did receive an email from the environmental consultant about a report that needs to be filed and discussing this with the landowners.
- b. Mustang Creek (South System):
  - i. There was an update on the Pilot Dry Wells Project, including working on a bid from Central Valley Pump for metering the wells. Legal Counsel sent Torrent contract language and they are waiting to hear back from Torrent.
  - ii. The water consultant gave a brief update on the operations, including a Merced County Dam Safety inspection. The basin needs to be mowed, the creek cleaned out and rodents eradicated.
  - iii. Kevin gave an update on the proposed pipeline to convey Merced Irrigation District Water to Mustang Creek and the funding opportunity through the Bureau of Reclamation for a WaterSMART drought resiliency program. A committee including Ty Angle, Tim Johnson, Norik Naraghi, and Wes Sperry will meet with legal counsel and the water consultant

November 25, 2019 to work on guidelines for the pipeline project that will be brought back to the board for review and discussion.

## c. <u>Dry Creek</u>

John Lambie, EPUR, gave a Power Point presentation on the preliminaries of Stanislaus County's Multi-Benefit Flood Control Project.

- d. Pilot Project Proposal for TID Drain F-1 (Grizzly Ranch):
  - i. John Lambie, EPUR gave a report on data collection and the current progress on the project.
  - ii. There was a brief update on the proposal of water out to the F-1 drain at the Grizzly Ranch site.
- e. Proposal for TID Water Out of the TID Main Canal (Beck Ranch) and Others:
  - i. Kevin gave a brief update.
- f. It was moved by Tim Johnson, seconded by Dexter Long, and **carried unanimously**, to Scope of Work from Provost and Pritchard for determining Irrigated versus Non-Irrigated Lands on newly annexed parcels for an amount not to exceed eight hundred and fifty dollars (\$850).
- g. The water consultant reported on two to three phone calls from landowners regarding their current tax bill.
- h. The water consultant reported on the Turlock Management Zone Pilot Study Steering Committee Meeting Regarding the Nitrate Management Plan held November 12, 2019 at Turlock Irrigation District.

## Kevin Kauffman gave a brief update on the East Turlock Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency Joint Powers Authority, including the December 12 Technical Advisory Committee Workshop in Ceres.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:33 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.

November 21, 2019
Karen L. Whipp
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EASTSIDE WATER DISTRICT BOARD CLERK