

NEVADA IRRIGATION DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MINUTES

October 14, 2020

The Board of Directors of the Nevada Irrigation District convened in regular session at the District's main office located at 1036 W. Main Street, Grass Valley, on the 14th day of October 2020, at 9:00 a.m.

Present were Chris Bierwagen, Vice-President (Division II); and Directors W. Scott Miller (Division III); Laura L. Peters (Division IV); and Nick Wilcox (Division V).

Ricki Heck, President (Division I), was present via video-teleconference.

Staff members present included Greg Jones, Interim General Manager; Marvin Davis, Finance Manager/Treasurer; Shannon Wood, Business Services Technician; Dustin Cooper, District Counsel; and Kris Stepanian, Board Secretary.

PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS THAT ARE NOT ON THE AGENDA

The following members of the public addressed the Board:

- Dianna Suarez, resident of Colfax, addressed the Board regarding the state requirement for an Urban Water Drought Contingency Plan, the 5-year drought analysis, and the Water Supply Analysis Technical Memorandum Table 3.1
- Jean Wyatt, resident of Penn Valley, addressed the Board regarding a potential lien from unpaid water bills and requested that the emergency order be rescinded so that the District can turn off the water to her property

Director Peters requested the following item to be pulled from the Consent Agenda:

- Item 5 - Annexation of Alta Hill Area, Nevada County

MINUTES – September 18, 2020, Special Meeting

Approved as submitted. M/S/C Peters/Bierwagen, unanimously approved.

MINUTES – September 23, 2020, Regular Meeting

Approved as submitted. M/S/C Peters/Bierwagen, unanimously approved.

EMPLOYEE RELATIONS – Wilcox (Res. 2020-22 - Resolution of Appreciation Upon Resignation – Nick Wilcox).

M/S/C Peters/Bierwagen, unanimously approved.

2020 BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

Approved the amended 2020 Board Meeting Schedule to cancel the regular Board Meeting on November 11, 2020, in observance of Veterans Day. M/S/C Peters/Bierwagen, unanimously approved.

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ANNEXATION – ALTA HILL AREA, NEVADA COUNTY

Shannon Wood, Business Services Technician, presented the item.

Public Comment:

- None

Adopted Resolution 2020-23 – Making Application for Annexation of Land Unincorporated Nevada County (Alta Hill Area), as recommended by the Administrative Practices Committee. M/S/C Peters/Wilcox, unanimously approved.

2020A REFUNDING REVENUE BONDS

Marvin Davis, Finance Manager/Treasurer, presented the item.

Public Comment:

- None

Approved the negotiated sales approach and authorized the Interim General Manager to execute the appropriate documents to issue the 2020A Revenue Bonds provided they are non-binding. M/S/C Miller/Heck, unanimously approved.

The meeting recessed at 10:04 a.m. and reconvened at 10:12 a.m.

INTERIM GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Greg Jones, Interim General Manager, reported on the following items:

- 174,131 acre-feet in storage – 100% of 7-year average and 64% of capacity
- Bowman Lake Precipitation remains at 0%
- 2020 Conservation compared to 2013 is at 10%
- Fall/Winter water requests – 9 denials due to inaccessible canals or previously scheduled outages
- End of irrigation season today and beginning of shutting down canals
- Treated water group produced 381.4-million gallons of water in September
- Thank you letter received from an Orr Creek Reservoir neighbor in appreciation of fire fuels clearing on District property
- Combie-Ophir Canal Bypass Project Update
- Lake Wildwood Backbone Extension Project update
- Hemphill Diversion Project update
- New insurance broker toured District facilities, including the Lake of the Pines and E. George Water Treatment Plants last week
- State Water Resources Control Board has accepted District Council's petition for reconsideration of fees for 2019 water rights

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' ITEMS / REPORTS

Director Heck, Division I, reported on the following items:

- Provided an update on search firm interviews being conducted by the General Manager Search Ad Hoc Committee

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Director Peters, Division IV, reported on the following items:

- Met with constituent along the Dudley Canal along with the Interim General Manager
- Commented on Water Demand Technical Memos and requested additional information to be posted to the website
- Recommended discussion items for an upcoming Water Rates Committee Meeting

Director Wilcox, Division V, reported on the following items:

- Laura's Law - AB1976 and a landmark bill they've been pursuing for over 12 years on firearm issues have both been signed into law by the Governor
- Approximately 100 of their bills have been signed into law over the past 15 years

Director Miller, Division III, reported on the following items:

- Acknowledged Director Wilcox for his years of service to the District and the community and expressed his respect for Director Wilcox's integrity and intellect

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED IN CLOSED SESSION

- None

The meeting recessed at 10:45 a.m. and reconvened at 10:45 a.m. in Closed Session.

Closed Session was declared at 10:50 a.m., pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 to confer with District Counsel regarding potential litigation - property damage.

Board Action: Direction was given to legal counsel.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 11:07 a.m., to reconvene in regular session on Wednesday, October 28, at 9:00 a.m. at the District's Business Center located at 1036 West Main Street, Grass Valley, California.

Board Secretary

Attest a true record of actions had and taken at the above and foregoing meeting our presence thereat and our consent thereto.

Division I

Division II

Division III

Division IV

Division V