

ALTA IRRIGATION DISTRICT

289 North L Street, Dinuba, CA (559) 591-0800

MINUTES

Per Executive Order N-29-20, which allows local and state legislative bodies to hold meetings via teleconference and to make meetings accessible electronically, this Special Meeting of the Board of Directors of Alta Irrigation District was held via teleconference on Thursday, July 15, 2021, and was accessed as follows:

Teleconference Number (559) 823-8500

The public did not participate the meeting as otherwise permitted under the Brown Act.

1. CALL TO ORDER

- 1.1. Roll Call – The Special Board Meeting for Alta Irrigation District was called to order at 9:35 a.m. by President Jack Brandt. Members present were Daniel Astiasuain, Domenic Fino, Jerry Halford, John Kalender, and Larry Tout. Member absent Tom Marshall. Others present were General Manager Chad Wegley, Operations Manager Marc Limas, Attorney Douglas B. Jensen, and Attorney Nick Jacobs joined the meeting for closed session item 9.5.
- 1.2. Potential Conflict(s) of Interest – Director Kalender declared a conflict of interest on item 9.1 and will leave the room for that item. Director Fino declared a financial conflict of interest on items 9.4 and 9.5 and will leave the room for those items.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

3. COMMUNICATIONS – None.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR – It was M/S/C unanimously (Vice President Marshall absent) by Halford/Astiasuain that consent calendar items be approved as presented.

- 4.1. Board Meeting Minutes for Regular Board Meeting June 10, 2021.
- 4.2. Collector's Report for June 2021. (Insert 4.2)
- 4.3. Approve Payment of the June 2021 Warrants. (Insert 4.3)
- 4.4. PG&E 10322101 (Traver Canal). Approved two (2) District standard encroachment agreements on the Traver Canal.
- 4.5. Wonderful Citrus II LLC 10562101 (Wilson Ditch). Approved a non-standard District Alternate Turnout Agreement on the Wilson Ditch for a diversion rate not to exceed 500 gpm.
- 4.6. DWK Ventures I LLC 10432102 (Clapp Pipeline). Approved four (4) District standard encroachment agreements on the Clapp Pipeline.
- 4.7. Kings County Elections Resolution. Approved Resolution 2021-0701 authorizing assessments for Kings County Parcels being placed on the Kings County Tax Roll. (Insert 4.7)

5. ADMINISTRATIVE/FINANCIAL

- 5.1. Treasurer's Report. As of June 30, 2021, the cash balance is \$2,488,304.19. Accounts Receivable and Inventory total approximately \$180,978. Current year revenue and expenses are approximately \$2,137,694 and \$2,333,906 respectively, resulting in a net deficit cash flow of about \$-194,697. (Insert 5.1) It was M/S/C unanimously (Vice President Marshall absent) on motion by Kalender, seconded by Astiasuain to accept the June 30, 2021, Treasurer's Report.

6. WATER MANAGEMENT – Review and take action as appropriate.

- 6.1. Water Run Update. No update.

7. NEW BUSINESS – Review and take action as appropriate.

- 7.1. Delta Mosquito and Vector Control District Prop 218 Election. It was M/S/C unanimously (Vice President Marshall absent) on motion by Halford, seconded by Fino to vote yes on the Delta Mosquito and Vector Control District Prop 218 Election.

8. OLD BUSINESS

- 8.1. Manager's Report. General Manager Wegley reviewed the manager's report, it was added as an addendum to the minutes. (Insert 8.1)
- 8.2. Attorney's Report. No update.

9. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION – President Brandt adjourned to closed session at 10:54 a.m. to confer with counsel on items listed below. There was no discussion on item 9.4. Director Kalender declared a conflict of interest on item 9.1 and was not present for discussion. Director Fino declared a financial conflict of interest on item 9.5, and exited closed session at 11:25 a.m. Attorney Nick Jacobs joined closed session for discussion on item 9.5.

- 9.1. Conference with Legal Counsel Regarding Anticipated Litigation, Government Code §54956.9(d)(2). Board of Directors will confer with counsel for possible action on potential litigation arising out of unauthorized encroachment(s) into District canal. (1 case)
- 9.2. Conference with Legal Counsel Regarding Existing Litigation, Government Code §54956.9(d)(1). Board of Directors will confer with counsel for possible action regarding *Jesse Abarado v. Alta Irrigation District Case # ADJ9776072*.
- 9.3. Conference with Legal Counsel Regarding Existing Litigation, Government Code §54956.9(d)(1). Board of Directors will confer with counsel for possible action regarding *James Irrigation District v. Kings River Water Association (Fresno Co. Case #19CECG00769)*.
- 9.4. Conference with Legal Counsel Regarding Existing Litigation, Government Code §54956.9(d)(1). Board of Directors will meet in closed session to confer with counsel regarding *Kings River Water Association v. R.D. #761, et al.*
- 9.5. Conference with Legal Counsel Regarding Anticipated Litigation, Government Code §54956.9(d)(2). Board of Directors will confer with counsel for possible action on potential litigation arising out of claims by third parties to water rights on the Kings River. (1 case)

10. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

10.1. Announcement(s) from Closed Session – The Board reconvened into open session at 12:06 p.m. with no reportable action taken in closed session.

11. ADJOURNMENT – There being no further items to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 12:06 p.m. until the next scheduled meeting on August 12, 2021.

Sincerely,

Chad B. Wegley, Secretary

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