SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

ALTA IRRIGATION DISTRICT

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

Friday, September 27, 2024

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1. Roll Call – The Special Board Meeting of Alta Irrigation District was called to order at 9:02 a.m. by President Jack Brandt. Members present were Domenic Fino, Jerry Halford, John Kalender, Christopher "C.J." Myers, Elliott Rossotti, and Larry Tout. Others present were General Manager Chad Wegley and Operations Manager Marc Limas.

1.2. Potential Conflict(s) of Interest – None.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

3. COMMUNICATIONS – None.

4. BUDGET TOUR-REVIEW AND CONSIDER FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

4.1. General Manager Wegley guided the board of directors on a tour to highlight key projects in the FY 2025 budget, focusing on deferred maintenance issues. The first stop was Check No. 3 on Button Ditch, where signs of past repair attempts were evident, though none had successfully restored the structure for long-term use. This year, the District plans to stabilize the structure to ensure it can function for one more water run and will explore options for either partial or full rehabilitation. Next, at Check No. 5, General Manager Wegley explained that field conditions necessitate varied maintenance approaches to effectively tackle deferred maintenance. The final stop showcased a dilapidated bridge on Button Ditch, which had suffered a complete deck collapse. The District will issue a letter to the landowner, notifying them of the safety hazard and requesting that the bridge be removed within 30 calendar days of receiving the notice. This tour underscored the urgent need for targeted maintenance strategies to address long-standing issues and enhance the District's infrastructure.

5. ADMINISTRATIVE/FINANCIAL

5.1. Budget.

5.1.1. Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget. It was M/S/C unanimously on a motion by Director Rossotti, seconded by Vice President Halford, to approve Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget. (Insert 5.1.1)

5.1.2. Salary Schedules. It was M/S/C unanimously on a motion by Vice President Halford, seconded by Director Myers, to approve the 2024-2025 salary schedules. (Insert 5.1.2)

5.1.3. Position Budget. It was M/S/C unanimously on a motion by Vice President Halford, seconded by Director Myers, to approve the 2024-2025 position budget. (Insert 5.1.3)

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1. Resolution R2024-0902. It was M/S/C unanimously on a motion by Director Rossotti, seconded by Director Fino, to adopt Resolution R2024-0902 fixing charges for services rendered and surface water deliveries. (Insert 6.1)

6.2. Pipeline Development Agreement BN Dinuba LP 10992401 – Horseman Ditch. It was M/S/C unanimously on a motion by Director Rossotti, seconded by Director Kalender to approve a non-standard Pipeline Development Agreement. (Insert 6.2)

6.3. Temporary Entry Permit for California Department of Water Resources. It was M/S/C unanimously on a motion by Director Myers, seconded by Vice President Halford, to approve a temporary entry permit for the California Department of Water Resources to conduct nutria control for a three-year period on District property, subject to legal review. (Insert 6.3)

6.4. Proposal to Provide Environmental Services for the Traver North Recharge Basin Project. It was M/S/C unanimously on a motion by Vice President Halford, seconded by Director Kalender, to approve a proposal from Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group to provide professional services for preparation of an environmental assessment (EA) to comply with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). Other activities associated with these services include cultural resources surveys/report along with preparation of a biological assessment. Work shall be billed on a time and materials, not to exceed $60,000. (Insert 6.4)

7. ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business, President Brandt adjourned the meeting at 11:23 a.m. until the next scheduled meeting on October 10, 2024.

Sincerely,

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Chad B. Wegley, Secretary

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