



**ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
JANUARY 26 2022
MINUTES**

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Gene Bays called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Board Members present were Zach Maring, Jim Jasper, Jarod Lara, Bill Koster (VIA Teleconference), and Pete Lucich.

2. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Anthea asked if any member of the public wanted to make a comment. Being none, the meeting continued.

3. ADDITIONS/REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions or revisions to the Agenda.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

The Monthly Accounting Reports and Field Operations Report for December 2021 were provided in advance for the Board's review. The Board approved the Consent Calendar as follows:

Ayes: Bays, Maring, Lara, Koster, Lucich and Jasper
Nays: None
Abstentions: None
Absent: Perez

5. ACTION ITEMS

A. Board to Consider Re-Authorizing Remote Teleconference Meetings for the Period January 26, 2022 through February 25, 2022

Anthea explained the background on requirements for holding meetings via remote teleconference under AB.361, as well as the requirement to reconsider the action every 30 days until such time as no longer required. After a short discussion and review of the findings stated in the Draft Resolution, the Board approved a Resolution Renewing Use of Remote Teleconference Meetings Under AB361 as follows:

Ayes: Bays, Maring, Lara, Koster, Lucich and Jasper
Nays: None
Abstentions: None
Absent: Perez

B. Board to Authorize Removal of APN's 28-15-24 (4ac) and 69-26-10 (2ac) from DPWD Assessment Roll

Anthea explained that prior to the 2020 contract conversion assessment process, Staff had completed an extensive review of all parcels deemed to be irrigable on the District's assessment roll, but that the two parcels subject of this action item were not removed at the time because they had long been held by an existing landowner and tenant who had leased the parcels. During the review of acreage for the upcoming 2022 water year, it was found that the parcels (both homesites) had been sold into new ownership(s), and that because neither parcel was eligible for service under the Districts USBR contract, timing was correct to remove them from the District's assessment roll. The Board authorized the removal of the parcels from the assessment roll as follows:

Ayes: Bays, Maring, Lara, Koster, Lucich and Jasper
Nays: None
Abstentions: None
Absent: Perez

Note: At this point, General Manager Hansen acknowledged the arrival of Director Perez, as well as a member of the public who had joined the meeting via teleconference, and asked the public attendee wished to make public comment. Being none, consideration of the action items resumed.

C. Board to Consider Treasurer’s Report for the 3rd Quarter ending 11.30.21

Anthea presented the Treasurer’s Quarterly Investment Report for the 3rd Quarter Ending November 30, 2021, and reported that the District held sufficient cash and investments on hand to meet normal budgetary needs in the coming six months, absent any extraordinary circumstances. The Board approved the Treasurer’s report as follows:

Ayes: Bays, Perez, Maring, Lara, Koster, Lucich and Jasper
Nays: None
Abstentions: None
Absent: None

D. Resolution authorizing an application be made to the California Department of Water Resources to obtain a grant under the 2021 Sustainable Groundwater Management (SGM) Grant Program SGMA Implementation Round 1 Grant pursuant to the California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access For All Act of 2018 (Proposition 68) (Pub. Resource Code, § 80000 et seq.) and the California Budget Act of 2021 (Stats. 2021, ch. 240, § 80) and to enter into an agreement to receive a grant for the: Delta-Mendota Subbasin – Planning & Projects Grant.

Anthea reminded the Board that at the November Board meeting, they had authorized the District’s status as “Applicant” for the 2021 SGM Grant Program – SGMA Implementation Round 1 Grant, and explained that the action being considered this month was the authorization for Staff to forward a project for consideration in the Subbasin’s grant application. She indicated that there would be at least \$332,000 available to the project based on the way the Subbasin’s SGMA Coordination Committee had determined the grant funds should be allocated. After a brief discussion, the Board approved the resolution as follows:

Ayes: Bays, Perez, Maring, Lara, Koster, Lucich and Jasper
Nays: None
Abstentions: None
Absent: None

6. MANAGER’S REPORT

Anthea asked if any member of the public wanted to make comment on Agenda Item 6. Being none, Anthea continued, reporting that operations for 2022 would be guided by an Interim Operations Plan which has been approved by the Court in the Biop cases, and which will be in place regardless of any changed hydrology in Spring. She further reported that a “first flush” event had been triggered as a result of an early January storm, which required a subsequent 14 day limitation on pumping. Unfortunately, there was a simultaneous decrease in demands after the storm, and because of an O’neil outage the DMC hit capacity and all of the upper DMC districts were asked to discontinue the introduction of transfer supplies. She further reported that because of November and December storms, the USBR and DWR had withdrawn its request for a TUCP for April & May of 2022.

7. WATER OPERATIONS & SUPPLY

A. CVP/SWP Operations

Anthea provided and reviewed the SLDMWA January Operations Update. She further noted that although conditions had improved, there was still little chance that San Luis Reservoir would fill and growing concern that the USBR would not be able to issue an allocation to Ag Service contractors/

B. Monthly Supply/Use/Completed Transactions Summary Report as of 12/31/21

Paul provided the Supply/Use/Completed Transactions Summary and reported in-District use for the month of December at 255 AF. Total current use for the year was 36,186 AF. Total estimated for rescheduling into 2022-23 was 19,275 AF.

C. 2021-22 Additional Supplies Update

Anthea reported that all transfers had been completed except the Mape's Ranch transfer, which would take several more months to complete. She noted that the inability to pump in to the DMC was greatly impacting the quantity of the transfer that would be realized in January. For 2021, Staff will have developed between 20,457 acre feet and 25,207 AF when the last transfer is complete. Staff continues to work on bringing in other transactions.

D. 2022-23 Supply Pre-Purchase Program Update

Anthea reported that 1,000 AF had been allocated to customer accounts in December for this Program, and that continuance of the Mapes transfer would be key to meeting all of the requests..

E. Landholding / Licensing Updates

There was nothing to report on this item.

8. RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

A. Westside Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Activities

Anthea shared SLDMWA Activity Agreement Staff Report for December 2021 for the Board to review. She noted that IRWM activities had been focused on updating project information in the OPTI database, and that there would be another round of funding this Spring, for which she hoped to forward the Del Puerto Canyon Reservoir Project.

B. SJVDA/Westside San Joaquin River Watershed Coalition Report(s)

Adam provided a list of members from DPWD that had yet to provide the SJVDA/WSJRWC with missing FE/MWE or 2020 INMPSR paperwork. The report indicated just a few customers remained delinquent, and staff committed to continued outreach to notify the affected customers.

C. Sustainable Groundwater Management Activities

Adam reported that the Delta-Mendota Subbasin had received a letter from DWR notifying the Sub-basin that the 2020 Groundwater Sustainability Plans submitted had been deemed "incomplete". While not unexpected, this letter set the deadline for a 180-day turnaround for a revision of the plans. The sub-basin technical committee and the GSP consultants were set to begin a series of meetings, both internally and with DWR staff, to gain more insight as to the agency comments and prepare revisions based on guidance received. It appeared initially that DWR staff did not thoroughly review or study the entirety of the plan, rather only looked to the "common chapter" for detailed information. Staff and the consultants were still trying to get a sense of how to rectify things, given that much of what was originally drafted was based on DWR staff guidance.

9. FINANCIAL MATTERS

A. CERBT ACCOUNT UPDATE

Minnie an account update on the District's CERBT Account and provided the CalPERS CERBT Account Update Summary as of December 31, 2021. The CERBT is a program for public agencies to pre-fund their employees' other post-retirement benefits. The District pre-funded it's \$187,579 obligation based on an actuarial valuation done in 2008-09. The District's assets held in the CERBT as of 12/31/21 were \$750,640, which exceeds its current obligations by \$205,935 as of the most recent valuation dated 2/29/20.

B. SPECIAL FUNDS REPORT – ESTIMATE FOR FYE 02.28.22

Anthea shared an estimate of the fund balances expected for 02.28.22, and which could be considered by the Board next month when adopting the 2022-23 Administrative budget. With the planned transfer of refunds to be received for the Contract Conversion Construction Allocation overpayment, Anthea predicted there would be approximately \$2.193 million in the CVP Capital Fund as of year end, along with General Reserve Funds of approximately \$1.519 million and a Rate Stabilization Fund balance of approximately \$2.206 million.

C. CVP Financial Matters

Anthea provided the Financial Affairs Committee Issues Matrix for 2022, and reported that she and Minnie continued to be actively engaged in the FAC,

10. SUPPLY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

A. Orestimba Creek Recharge & Recovery Project – Update

Staff provided the Provost & Pritchard quarterly Status Report, noting that quite a lot of progress had been made in the last quarter on finalizing the CEQA/NEPA document and getting the project to environmental approval.

B. Del Puerto Canyon Reservoir Project – Update

Anthea reported that the CWC had made a finding of feasibility at their December meeting, which made DPCR Project eligible for any additional Prop 1 Storage funding, should it become available. She provided the W&C summary of current activities, and noted that both Congressman Harder and Congressman Costa had been diligently working to encourage Reclamation and the Administration to continue support for DPCR, along with three other federally feasible projects approved by Interior.

C. Los Vaqueros Reservoir Expansion Project - Update

Anthea provided the LVRE monthly report and shared that JPA Board meetings had commenced and that CCWD continued to diligently pursue the required permitting and funding to forward the expansion project.

D. BF Sisk Dam Raise Project – Update

There was nothing to report on this item.

E. Pacheco Reservoir Expansion – Update

Anthea participated in a Zoom meeting held by the Santa Clara Valley Water District pertaining to the Pacheco provided draft minutes from the Valley Water storage Committee meeting held October 29, 2021, which outlined progress on several storage opportunities being watched by water agencies.

F. Ceres-DPWD-Turlock Discussions on Advancing Recycled Water into NVRRWP Facilities

Anthea reported that discussions continued with the City of Ceres' Staff and consultants to further advance available wastewater to the NVRRWP. She provided for the Board a copy of Ceres' Request for Engineering Services regarding the proposed project.

11. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES

A. Pre-Application Response Letter – Dhan Sukh, Inc/Golden State Logistics Hub

Anthea provided a copy of the response Letter regarding the projects' Pre-Applications to San Joaquin County Community Development Department. The project proposes to develop a 1,573 acre logistics hub, College Campus & Veteran Center, with 954 acres of the current proposal within the Del Puerto WD boundaries. The District comment letter served to notice the proponents of the need to mitigate impacts to the District and other Landowners, as well as prepare for the implications of the project to the requirements of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act.

B. 2021 Crop Report

Anthea Provided a copy of the 2021 Crop Report for the Board's review. The report hi-lited 44,211 acres of crops, with 396 acres being double-cropped, and that 28,549 acres was planted to permanent crops, or 64.5% of the total.

12. SLDMWA Report

A. SLDMWA Minutes, Reports and Issues Updates

Anthea provided the SLDMWA Agenda and Minutes for the Board to review.

14. ARTICLES/CORRESPONDENCE/PUBLIC OUTREACH

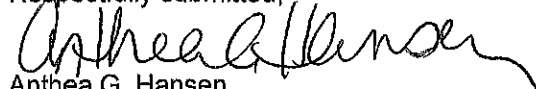
Articles of interest were provided for the Board.

15. ITEMS TO DISCUSS PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE 54954.2

16. ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:53 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Anthea G. Hansen
Secretary