

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
SHAFTER-WASCO IRRIGATION DISTRICT

September 13, 2023

The Shafter-Wasco Irrigation District Board of Directors' regular meeting was held on September 13, 2023 at the District Office.

President Craig Fulwyler called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

District Officers Present: Craig Fulwyler, President  
Geordy Wise, Vice-President  
David Bloemhof III, Director  
Randy Bloemhof, Director  
Benjamin Wilson, Director  
Kris Lawrence, General Manager-Secretary  
Sarah Pitts, Office Manager-Treasurer

District Staff Present: Bryan Rosales, Operations Manager  
Sam Madrid, Hydrographer

District Officer Absent: None

Visitors present: Alan Doud – Young Wooldridge  
John Gaugel – Wonderful Orchards  
Tim Holtermann – Holtermann Farms  
Geoff King – BHK Accountancy  
Scott Westall – BHK Accountancy

**Public Comment Period:**

None

**Approve Consent Agenda:**

It was moved by Director Geordy Wise, seconded by Director Benjamin Wilson and passed to approve the items on the consent agenda as follows:

Agenda of September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
Minutes of Regular Board Meeting held August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023

**Motion passed as voted:** AYES: Craig Fulwyler, Geordy Wise, David Bloemhof III,  
Randy Bloemhof, Benjamin Wilson  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None

**Public Hearings/Action Items:**

It was moved by Director Geordy Wise, seconded by Director Benjamin Wilson and passed to approve the 2022 Financial Audit as presented by Geoff King & Scott Westall.

**Motion passed as voted:** AYES: Craig Fulwyler, Geordy Wise, David Bloemhof III,  
Randy Bloemhof, Benjamin Wilson  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None

It was moved by Director Geordy Wise, seconded by Director Randy Bloemhof and passed to approve Proposal to Provide Placement Agent Services to Shafter-Wasco Irrigation District by Hilltop Securities.

**Motion passed as voted:** AYES: Craig Fulwyler, Geordy Wise, David Bloemhof III,  
Randy Bloemhof, Benjamin Wilson  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None

It was moved by Director Benjamin Wilson, seconded by Director Geordy Wise and passed to approve the Notice to Amend Groundwater Sustainability Plan.

**Motion passed as voted:** AYES: Craig Fulwyler, Geordy Wise, David Bloemhof III,  
Randy Bloemhof, Benjamin Wilson  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None

It was moved by Director Randy Bloemhof, seconded by Director Benjamin Wilson and passed to approve Ratification of Amendment to Agreement for a One-Time Purchase of Water from Buena Vista Water Storage District.

**Motion passed as voted:** AYES: Craig Fulwyler, Geordy Wise, David Bloemhof III,  
Randy Bloemhof, Benjamin Wilson  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None

It was moved by Director Benjamin Wilson, seconded by Director Randy Bloemhof and passed to approve Request by City of Shafter to Remove Outlets 1.1-1.0-3 and 1.1-1.0-5 from Standby and to Provide Service to a Shafter Recreation Park.

**Motion passed as voted:** AYES: Craig Fulwyler, Geordy Wise, David Bloemhof III,  
Randy Bloemhof, Benjamin Wilson  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None

### **Financial and Management Reports:**

The Office Manager-Treasurer presented the Budget Report and Treasurer's Report for August 31, 2023 for the Board to review.

It was moved by Director Geordy Wise, seconded by Director Benjamin Wilson and passed to accept and file the August 31, 2023 Budget Report, Treasurer's Report and the September 13, 2023 Claims for Approval.

**Motion passed as voted:** AYES: Craig Fulwyler, Geordy Wise, David Bloemhof III,  
Randy Bloemhof, Benjamin Wilson  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None

### **Operation's Report:**

Bryan Rosales, Operations Manager, provided an update on District Construction Projects, Water Operations and Maintenance Operations.

Sam Madrid, Hydrographer, provided an update on Water Operations.

### **Manager's Report:**

Kris Lawrence, General Manager, provided an update on Water Supply, South Valley Water Association and Friant Water Authority, grower recharge was reinstated at \$100/af.

### **Director's Report:**

Director Benjamin Wilson – Kern River Watershed Coalition

### **Closed Session:**

President Craig Fulwyler called the meeting in to closed session at 10:38 a.m. regarding:

Potential Litigation (3 Matters) – Government Code Section 54956.9

Existing Litigation – Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)

- City of Fresno, et al v. USA, Court of Federal Claims, Case No. 16-1276L
- Friant Water Supply Protection Association V. Del Puerto Water District et al. Stanislaus Co Superior Court Case No. CV-20-005164

Meeting returned to Open Session at 11:13 a.m.

As there was no further business to come before the Board of Directors, It was moved by Director Randy Bloemhof, seconded by Director David Bloemhof and approved to adjourn the meeting at 11:14 am.

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**CRAIG FULWYLER**  
President

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**KRIS LAWRENCE**  
Board Secretary