

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

March 13, 2024

The Shafter-Wasco Irrigation District Board of Directors' regular meeting was held on March 13, 2024, 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: Sam Madrid, Hydrographer

District Staff Absent: Bryan Rosales, Operations Manager

Visitors present: Alan Doud – Young Wooldridge
Tim Holtermann – Holtermann Farms
John Gaugel – Wonderful Orchards

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:

Revised Agenda of March 13, 2024

Minutes of Regular Board Meeting held February 14, 2024

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 Benjamin Wilson, seconded by Director Geordy Wise and passed to approve Declaring Truck as Surplus Property and Accepting Bids.

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 Geordy Wise and passed to approve Proposal for Additional Data Collection on Modeling to Support Subsidence Mitigation Cost Analysis for the Friant Kern Canal from INTERA Consultants.

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 David Bloemhof III and passed to approve Resolution 24-05 Authorizing General Manager to Negotiate and Execute or Amend A Grant Funding Agreement with the Department of Water Resources.

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 February 29, 2024, for the Board to review.

It was moved by Director Geordy Wise, seconded by Director Benjamin Wilson and passed to accept and file the February 29, 2024, Budget Report, Treasurer’s Report and the March 13, 2024, 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:

Kris Lawrence, General Manager, provided an update on District Construction Projects 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, Friant Water Authority, SGMA and COLA.

Director’s Report:

Director Benjamin Wilson – Kern River Watershed Coalition Authority

Director Craig Fulwyler – Friant Water Authority

Closed Session:

President Craig Fulwyler called the meeting in to closed session at 10:00 a.m. regarding:

Potential Litigation (3 Matters) – Government Code Section 54956.9

Conference with Real Property Negotiators

Property: Exchange Agreement

Agency Negotiator: Kris Lawrence

Negotiating Parties: San Luis Water District

Under Negotiation: Terms and Conditions

Existing Litigation (Govt. Code Sub Section 54956.9(d))

City of Fresno, et al v. USA, Cort of Federal Claims, Case No. 16-1276L

Friant Water Supply Protection Association v. Del Puerto Water District et al. Stanislaus Co. Sup. Court Case No CV-20-005164

Meeting returned to Open Session at 10:51 a.m.

As there was no further business to come before the Board of Directors it was moved by Director Geordy Wise, seconded by Director Benjamin Wilson the meeting was adjourned at 10:52 a.m.

CRAIG FULWYLER

President

KRIS LAWRENCE

Board Secretary