

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

January 8, 2025

The Shafter-Wasco Irrigation District Board of Directors' regular meeting was held on January 8, 2025, at the District Office.

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

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

District Officers Absent: Geordy Wise, Vice-President

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

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

Public Comment Period:

None

Approve Consent Agenda:

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

Agenda of January 8, 2025.
Minutes of Regular Board Meeting held December 11, 2024.

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

Public Hearings/Action Items:

It was moved by Director Randy Bloemhof, seconded by Director Benjamin Wilson and passed to approve the 2024 SWID Budget.

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

It was moved by Director Randy Bloemhof, seconded by Director Benjamin Wilson and passed to approve Voluntary Contributions to Various Agencies.

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

It was moved by Director Benjamin Wilson, seconded by Director David Bloemhof III and passed to approve Resolution 25-01 Adopting an Assessment Rate on Property Within the District.

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

It was moved by Director Benjamin Wilson, seconded by Director Randy Bloemmhof and passed to approve Resolution 25-02 Establishing Water Rates.

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

It was moved by Director Benjamin Wilson, seconded by Director Randy Bloemhof and passed to approve 2025 MA-2 Budget.

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

It was moved by Director David Bloemhof III, seconded by Director Benjamin Wilson and passed to approve Resolution 25-03 Adopting an Assessment Rate on Property Within the District.

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

It was moved by Director Randy Bloemhof, seconded by Director David Bloemhof III and passed to approve the following Proposals from GEI Consultants:

- 01-2025 - General Eng Services & As-Needed SGMA
- 02-2025 - SE Recharge
- 03-2025 - Dresser Recharge
- 04-2025 - FEMA Recharge
- 05-2025 - Leonard IRWM Grant Admin
- 06-2025 - FY26 Grant Applications

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

It was moved by Director David Bloemhof III, seconded by Director Benjamin Wilson and passed to approve Resolution 25-03 Adopting an Assessment Rate on Property Within the District.

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

It was moved by Director Randy Bloemhof, seconded by Director Benjamin Wilson and passed to approve Proposal from Intera for SGMA Support.

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

It was moved by Director Randy Bloemhof, seconded by Director David Bloemhof III and passed to approve General Manager Attending Water User's Conference in Reno, NV.

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

It was moved by Director Benjamin Wilson, seconded by Director Randy Bloemhof and passed to approve Comment Letter Regarding Draft Sacramento/Delta Bay-Delta Plan Updates.

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

It was moved by Director Randy Bloemhof, seconded by Director David Bloemhof III and passed to approve First Amendment to Repayment Agreement for Recapture of Restoration Flows in Lower San Joaquin River.

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

Financial and Management Reports:

The Office Manager-Treasurer presented the Budget Report and Treasurer’s Report for December 31, 2024, for the Board to review.

It was moved by Director Benjamin Wilson, seconded by Director Randy Bloemhof and passed to accept and file the December 31, 2024, Budget Report, Treasurer’s Report and the January 8m 2025, Claims for Approval.

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

Operation’s Report:

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

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

Manager’s Report:

Kris Lawrence, General Manager, provided an update on Water Supply, Friant Water Authority, and SGMA.

Director’s Report:

Nothing to Report

Closed Session:

President Craig Fulwyler called the meeting in to closed session at 10:17 a.m. regarding:

Potential Litigation (3 Matters) – Government Code Section 54956.9(d)

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

Public Employee Performance Evaluation – Government Code Section 54957

Meeting returned to Open Session at 11:06 a.m.

It was moved by Director Randy Bloemhof, seconded by Director Benjamin Wilson and passed to approve setting the General Manager's Compensation at \$270,000.00 per year.

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

As there was no further business to come before the Board it was moved by Director Craig Fulwyler and seconded by Director Randy Bloemhof to adjourn the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

CRAIG FULWYLER
President

KRIS LAWRENCE
Board Secretary