

Manteca, California
February 22, 2011

The Board of Directors of the South San Joaquin Irrigation District met in regular session in their chambers at the hour of 9:00 a.m.

Upon roll call the following members were noted present:

DIRECTORS: KAMPER KUIL HOLBROOK HOLMES ROOS

Also present were General Manager Shields, District Counsel Emrick and Engineering Department Manager Bologna.

President Holbrook called the meeting to order and asked for public comment. There being no public comment the president asked the Board to consider the following Consent Calendar Items.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Warrants of \$927,189.08.
- B. Regular Board Meeting Minutes of February 8, 2011.
- C. Approve renewal of Wonderware License.
Frank Avila & Michael O'Leary addressed the Board's questions. Frank explained that we renew the software licenses for the SCADA Wonderware programs through E&M Electric & Machinery Inc. With the renewals we get new updates and patches on programs as they become available throughout the year. This ensures that we have the most updated and secure system available. The total cost of the annual renewal for both the MDC and WTP is \$19,026.14.
- D. Authorize acceptance of new Easements for the Division 9 Project.
Sam Bologna told the Board that we will be obtaining approximately 30 new easements as part of the Division 9 Project. The easements will be brought to the Board for acceptance after they are signed and ready for recording. The following Easements have been finalized and are ready for Board acceptance. John M. Van Till Jr. and Denise A. Van Till have granted to the District two easements affecting APN's 257-230-09 and 257-230-10.

Director Holmes noted that on Item #2 of the February 8 Minutes, there was no mention of a vote called. General Counsel confirmed that Item #2 of the February 8 meeting passed unanimously. Motion by Kamper, seconded by Roos to approve the Consent Calendar with the addition to the minutes as noted above.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 22nd day of February, 2011 by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Kamper Kuil Holbrook Holmes Roos
Noes: None

Item # 1, Approve proposal by City of Manteca for financial support of its Stormwater Quality Outreach Program for 2011. Troylene Sayler presented this item. She explained that this program not only benefits the City of Manteca with its public outreach but also assists the District in educating the public about stormwater issues and gets our name out in the public. Director Kuil asked how we know the program is successful. Sayler conceded that there is no sure yardstick that can measure the success of an outreach campaign, but the City does do surveys to try to monitor the results. Director Holbrook noted that he has seen the

advertisements at the theater and the annual street fairs. Sayler also said that there is a large outreach in schools, educating children about the importance of keeping our stormwater clean. Director Kuil said he would like to see the handouts that are used at the schools. Troylene said she would make them available to him. Motion by Roos, seconded by Kuil to approve extending financial support for the City of Manteca's Stormwater Quality Outreach Program for 2011 at the cost of \$6,500. Motion carried 4-1 with Kamper voting no.

Item #2, Report on the status of the Water Conservation Program and consider possible adjustments in funds allocated for certain measures. Shields told the Board that on February 10 the program was launched successfully. He then asked Julie Vrieling to address the Board. Julie reported that on the first day we had 25 people come to our office inquiring about the program. Since then we have received 70 applications. Sam Bologna explained to the Board that when the program was set up, each measure of the program was allocated a set amount of money. These funds were to be used as a guideline. At this point the funds available to two of the measures are already expended and Bologna asked the Board to consider allowing a reallocation of the funds from measures with fewer applications to cover these measures. Director Holmes said it was his understanding that the allocation of funds was a guideline and that they could be reallocated without Board action. Director Kamper agreed but said he did not want changes made every meeting and felt we should wait until the program had been in effect for a month to reallocate the funds. After a brief discussion it was decided that no change to the allocations would be made until the March 8 Board meeting. No action was taken.

Item #3, Authorize purchase of three ½ ton 2 wheel drive pickups and one 2 wheel drive extended cab pickup. Joe Catanzarite told the Board that these vehicles will be replacing trucks in our fleet that have over 125,000 miles on them. Ray Simons, Shop Supervisor obtained quotes from four dealerships. Steves Chevrolet came in with the low bid. Director Kuil said that he would like staff to consider looking at vehicles with higher fuel efficiency when considering purchases in the future. Shields said he would ask Ray Simons to look into that. Motion by Roos, seconded by Kamper to purchase three ½ ton pickups and one extended cab from Steves Chevrolet at a total cost of \$88,095.33. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #4, Approve new job description entitled "Water Treatment Lead Operator" and authorize changes to the organizational structure at the WTP. Bill Hubkey and Don Thornburg were asked to address the Board. Thornburg explained that when the Operations Supervisor retired, two employees were chosen to share the duties of that position for one year. It was understood by both parties that at the end of twelve months one of them would be considered for the Operations Supervisor position. The new job description being proposed would be positioned under the Operations Supervisor but still be a management position. Hubkey is asking the Board to approve the organizational changes as well as the new job description and adopt a salary range based on an hourly rate of \$38.65 to \$46.99. Motion by Kamper, seconded by Roos and unanimously approved to authorize the organizational changes recommended by staff, the job description entitled "Water Treatment Lead Operator", the recommended salary range and to authorize filing the position.

Item #5, Discussion concerning the start of Water Season 2011. After a brief discussion it was decided to set March 15 as the target date to the start of water but give the Ag Water Committee the authority to change the date as needed. Motion by Holmes, seconded by Kuil and unanimously approved.

Item #6 & 7, General Counsel asked that these items be deferred until after Closed Session.

President Holbrook asked for Directors Reports:

Director Holmes expressed his appreciation to Troylene Sayler for all the work she did in putting Bob Schulz's retirement party together.

Director Roos asked about the Spring ACWA conference. It was noted that the dates are May 10-13 in Sacramento. Roos asked to be signed up for the conference.

Director Kuil asked Bologna about the status of the water line to the District office complex. Bologna said the plans are still being worked on but should be completed within a month. Shields said District personnel will be doing the work.

Director Holbrook reported that ACWA will be sponsoring a presentation and tour of the City of Stockton's Delta Water Supply Project. The event will take place on April 27.

Managers Reports.

WTP Manager, Bill Hubkey reported the following:

- Working on the WTP budget with Bere Lindley
- The fencing project is well underway.
- The log boom project will begin this week.
- #2 CWR interior coating will be repaired under warranty by CBI next Fall.

Finance & Administration Department Supervisor, Bere Lindley:

- Preparing for the annual audit, with the field work to begin in two weeks
- WTP budget is being worked on. The Cities work on a Fiscal budget and the District works on a calendar budget.
- Thanked Thornburg for all the work he has done on the WTP personnel budget issues.

Human Resource Specialist, Don Thornburg:

- Handed out a report on work related injuries at the District for the years 2006 – 2010.
- Reported that our Worker's Comp policy runs from June – July, but that preliminarily it looks as if our premium will go down in July.
- He is working with SDRMA to get as many claims closed as possible by the end of our policy year.

General Manager, Jeff Shields reported the following:

- Handed out a Tri-Dam report showing no generation at Tulloch due to the new transformers still being off line.
- Thanked the Board for speaking at Schulz retirement.
- Almond Blossom Festival in Ripon will take place February 25-27.
- Handed out a copy of a letter from Tim O'Laughlin to the State Water Resources Control Board
- Reported that Joe Catanzarite and several other water department personnel attended a conference on Water Measurement. Catanzarite said it was very educational and that he plans to send people to the conference next year as well.
- Weekly meetings with Stantec have been very beneficial. To date progress with NDI on the communications portion is satisfactory. February 24 is still Stantec's deadline.
- Shields will present the NM/Stanislaus River Presentation at the February 22nd SJ Farm Bureau meeting.

- SJ Farm Bureau Foundation for Ag Education to be held on March 24th, 6 p.m. – 9 p.m. @ the Robert Cabral Farm Center in Stockton.
- Approved the following Structure Permits:
 - 1). Brocchini Family Partnership (APN 226-030-19) to install a sump with appurtenant sprinkler pump on District Lateral “Web” @ Sta. 28+/-.
 - 2). John Van Till (APN 226-130-30) to install a sump with appurtenant sprinkler pump on District Lateral “Wc” @ Sta. 184+/-.

President Holbrook called for a short break before Closed Session.

General Counsel announced the Board would be discussing Items 9 a. - d. under Closed Session.

- a. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-Anticipated Litigation
Initiation of litigation pursuant to subdivision (c) of Government Code Section 54956.9- 2 cases
- b. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-Existing litigation
Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9
- c. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL- Anticipated Litigation
Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9
Various water quality proceedings before State Water Resources Control Board—
Delta Flow Criteria, San Joaquin River Flow Objectives
- d. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR
California Government Code Section 54656.8
Property: Water
Agency Negotiators: General Manager and General Counsel
Negotiating parties: District and South Delta Water Agency and Stockton East
Water District
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment

Upon returning from closed session, General Counsel announced that in regards to Item b, Director Kamper made a motion to approve the settlement agreement to satisfy the PG&E 2011 General rate case that limits the increase in ag rates to 1 ½ percent. The motion was seconded by Holmes and passed unanimously.

Holbrook called the Board to consider Action Calendar Items 6 & 7.

Consider increase in contract amounts for Aspen Environmental and Mintier & Associates. Motion by Kuil, seconded by Holmes to approve both contract increases per General Counsel’s recommendation. Motion was approved unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Board it was moved by Director Kamper, seconded by Director Holmes to adjourn the meeting to March 8, 2011. Motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST:

Cheryl Burke, Executive Secretary