

Manteca, California
February 24, 2004

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: DEGROOT KAMPER SCHULZ ROOS KUIL

Also present were Secretary/Manager Stroud, District Counsel Emrick, and Engineering Department Supervisor Bologna.

President Schulz called for Public Comment.

Grant Thompson and Reid Roberts of Central San Joaquin Water Conservation District thanked the Board for the water they sold them in 2003.

Kathleen Harris told the Board that they still want surface water on their North Ripon Road property. She said they have a renter who wants to plant strawberries on that property. The Board said they will continue looking into serving her property.

Presentation by Candice Briskey and Miguel Valdez of PG&E. Ms. Briskey gave the Directors a packet and summarized the incentives, rate schedules. She told the Board if they have questions to call Miguel or herself.

Grant Kreinberg & Jay Hesby addressed the Board relative to pipeline work in Woodward Reservoir. They stated that the contractor has approximately 600 feet that has not been backfilled. Grant said the Department of Safety of Dams has no problem with the District bringing water in up to elevation 180. Grant said the District could start bringing water in on March 8th as it stands today. However, it would be at least April 1st before the dam will be fully restored so the District can fill the reservoir. Stroud told the Board, that the District is planning water deliveries beginning on March 15th, unless we have significant rain between now and then. Stroud said he and the Water Superintendent will make that determination.

President Schulz asked the Board to consider approving the Consent Calendar as submitted.

- A. SSJID Warrants of \$10,730,650.76.
- B. Regular Board Meeting Minutes of February 10, 2004.

Motion by Kuil, seconded by Kamper, to approve the Consent Calendar Items as submitted.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 24th day of February 2004 by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: DeGroot Kamper Schulz Roos Kuil
Noes: None

Consider authorizing signature of improvement plans calling for the abandonment and removal of the District's Lateral "Y" 141 dd and execution of appurtenant agreements. Bologna said the City of Manteca is planning to widen and make improvements on Union Road from Wawona to Highway 120, which will affect a part of the District's easement. Portions of the line will be abandoned and we will quitclaim them to the City. Bologna recommends approval. Motion by DeGroot, seconded by Kamper, and unanimously carried, to authorize execution of all necessary documents upon the satisfactory removal of the pipeline. Authorize issuance of an Encroachment Agreement.

Consider approving and authorizing execution of Interim Drainage Agreement with the City of Manteca for the Northgate Veterinary Hospital Project. Bologna recommended the Board approve and authorize execution of necessary documents subject to approval by the City Council. Motion by Kuil, seconded by DeGroot, to approve the Interim Agreement and authorize execution of necessary documents as recommended above. Motion Carried, 4 Ayes, 1 No, with Director Schulz voting No.

General Manager's Report:

Stroud reported that the valve which was removed and plugged on Daryl Vortman's property 5 years ago will be repaired prior to the start of the irrigation season.

Reported that IRS Mileage Reimbursement for 2004 is 37.5 cents per mile.

Ag Waiver - The Coalition met on February 18th they are supporting the \$1.00 per acre fee, but have yet to find a sponsor for the proposed legislation.

The following winter maintenance jobs are complete or near complete:
Laterals B, I, Tbb, Q and R are complete. Currently crews are crawling pipe in Division 9. The bridge on the "Q" line off Jack Tone Road was removed by our crews on March 8th to resolve lingering safety problems.

Treatment Plant, Change Orders have amounted to date at .35 of 1%. On Dodds Road, the District is working with Stanislaus County to determine an equitable cost sharing to rebuild the entire road.

2004 APPA conference will be held in Seattle. It runs June 18th through June 23rd.

February 25, 2004 is the Groundwater Banking Committee meeting.

February 25, 2004, Steve Emrick and Stevan Stroud will be in Sacramento relative to retail power.

March 9, 2004, Tri-Dam committee meeting at OID after our Board meeting.

March 30, 2004, ACWA Legislative Symposium.

Directors' reports:

Director Kuil asked about the request by Van Groningen and Brocchini to put in a sump, requiring 1,800 gpm. He recommends approval. Stroud said if we approve the request, we will ultimately short Hat's property. No action was taken.

President Schulz called for closed session relative to litigation matters, personnel matters, and labor update. General Counsel Emrick said the Board will be discussing items a) through d).

- a) Conference call with legal counsel, existing litigation, Gov. Code, S. 54956.9. 4 cases. 1. Delta Keeper v. OID; 2. Sierra Club et al v. SSJID; 3. Chevron Texaco v. SSJID; and 4 SSJID v Largo Coal.
- b) Conference with labor negotiator, Gov. Code, S. 54957.6 (a). Agency designated representative, Stevan Stroud, Employee Organization, Management Unit.
- c) Conference with legal counsel, anticipated litigation, initiation of litigation, Gov. Code, S. 54956.9, 1 Case.
- d) Public Employment - Treatment Plant Manager/Supervisor appointment. Gov. Code, S. 54957.

Upon returning from closed session General Counsel Emrick announced no reportable action was taken.

There being no further business to come before the Board it was moved by DeGroot, seconded by Kuil, and unanimously carried, to adjourn to March 9, 2004 at 9:00 a.m.

ATTEST:

John Stein, Assistant Secretary