

Manteca, California
March 13, 2007

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 SCHULZ ROOS

ABSENT: DEGROOT

Also present were Secretary/Manager Stroud, District Counsel Emrick, District Engineer Gilton, and Water Treatment Plant Operations Manager Hartman.

President Kuil asked for public comment. There being none he asked the Board to consider approving the consent calendar items as presented.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. SSJID warrants of \$367,242.77, and payrolls of \$236,179.82.
- B. Regular Adjourned Board Meeting Minutes of February 27, 2007; with change on page 6, third line, "retain" changed to "protect".
- C. Irrigation Service Abandonment Agreements

Agreement #	Acreage	APN	Owner
1537	33.23	257-270-71	Barton, Michael & Lisa
1538	3.53	226-160-15	Perez, Anna
1539	13.04	218-130-01	Raymus, Marie

Motion by Director Roos, seconded by Director Schulz, to approve the Consent Calendar Items as presented.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 13th day of March, by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Kamper Kuil Schulz Kuil
Noes: None
Absent: DeGroot

Consider approving bid by Liquid Vision for Tank Inspection & Cleaning Services at the WTP. Rich Hartman reported that of the three proposals received, Liquid Vision is the low bidder at \$4,599.00. He recommended approval of their bid. Motion by Director Schulz, seconded by Director Roos, and unanimously carried to approve the bid by Liquid Vision and authorize staff to proceed.

Director DeGroot arrived at 9:20 a.m.

Consider approving cancellation of Irrigation Service Abandonment Agreement (ISAA) No 786 as requested by the property owner Kenneth Kang, Inc. Motion by Director Roos, seconded by Director Kamper, and unanimously carried to approve the cancellation of ISAA # 786 subject to staff recommendations

Consider approving Services Agreement with Lathrop Irrigation District. Glenn Gephardt, Director of Lathrop Irrigation District (LID) told the Board that they were approved by LAFCO to serve power. He asked that we approve the contract for staff assistance. When asked about the \$40,000 fee, Mr. Gephardt stated this is an amount we budgeted and can be changed by our Board when and if we feel it is necessary. He does not anticipate this Agreement will exceed 2 years. Director Schulz said he feels we need to be concentrating on our District and worries this will interfere with our moving

forward. Stroud said he does not feel this will impact our efforts. Shields said this agreement will showcase our abilities and help us with our efforts down the road. Director Kuil asked about time demands. Shields said he will be assisting with power supply, billing and other miscellaneous efforts, he stated he does not feel it will be significant and will not interfere with SSJID efforts. After discussion it was moved by Director Kamper, seconded by Director Roos, to approve the agreement and execution of same. Motion Carried, Ayes 4, Noes 1, with Director Schulz voting No.

Consider approving Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the United State Bureau of Reclamation (USBR). Stroud reported that if we enter into this agreement, we will gain representation at the San Joaquin River Settlement negotiations through the San Joaquin Tributaries Association. He recommended approval. After discussion it was moved by Director Schulz, seconded by Director Kuil, to approve the MOA with the USBR and authorize execution of same. Motion carried, Ayes 4, Noes 1, with Director Kamper voting No.

President Kuil asked for Manager's reports:

Stroud reported the following:

The picnic held on March 3rd was very successful. He thanked the Directors who attended.

Relative to Crane Operator Certification which is now required by OSHA, we have several employees who are practicing for the practical exam and studying for the written exam.

Last week we provided harassment training for employees & supervisors. The training was given by Robert Taylor & Associates. Harassment training is mandatory for supervisors every 2 years.

We will be making an offer of employment for the position of Communications Coordinator by the end of the week.

Congratulations to Water Treatment Plant Operators, Ed Erisman & Brett Beaudreau, who passed all the tests and requirements to become Operator IV's.

Will be diverting 800 cfs from Goodwin and around 500 cfs from Woodward. Elevation at Woodward is 198.3 feet.

San Joaquin County is going to replace the McBride Bridge over the MDC on Henry Road.

Reported that WTP Manager Hubkey is working with DHS on reducing the number of required samples to a couple of times a year at Woodward to avoid having to buy a boat.

Shields reported:

Attended a CMUA meeting on March 2nd where we went through legislation that has been introduced. We looked at all those that apply to Water & Electricity. An interesting bill is AB 1517 by Assemblyman Jones. This bill would prohibit utilities from collecting taxes in customers rates and then passing the money to parent company of the utility where much of the money is written off and not paid to the state or federal government.

CPUC rejected requests by PG&E to allow a "bill credit" to be placed on customers bills.

Reported that Steve Stroud met with the cities involved in the WTP and discussed the proposed 2MW solar array. The Cities asked what net benefit they would see and Stroud said we would report back once the project financing was completed.

Sun Technics went to the site and they are beginning the engineering design process.

Director's reports:

Director Kamper asked staff to speak to Mr. Rodoani, who rents 22.69 acres, and who had private sprinkler lines cut by the contractor.

Director Schulz asked what we are going to do about Johnson & Associates. President Kuil said the Personnel Committee will bring a recommendation at the next Board meeting.

President Kuil called for closed session relative to litigation. District Counsel Emrick announced we will be discussing the following items in closed session.

Conference with legal counsel, existing litigation, Gov. Code, S. 54956.9. One case.

SSJID v. LAFCo, Superior Court, San Joaquin County, Case No. CV 030255
SSJID v. Meridian Pacific, et. al., Superior Court, San Joaquin County, Case No. CV 03085.

Upon returning from closed session District Counsel Emrick reported there was no reportable action taken in closed session.

Presentation by Muralist John Pugh concerning preliminary design concept for proposed SSJID mural. Mr. Pugh gave the Board a small copy of his concept. After considerable discussion it was the consensus of the Board to remove most of the houses, put crops in and attempt to show what irrigation water has done for the valley. No action was taken.

There being no further business to come before the Board it was moved by Director Schulz, seconded by Director Roos, and unanimously carried to adjourn to March 27, 2007 at 9:00 a.m.

ATTEST:

John Stein, Assistant Secretary