

Manteca, California
May 26, 2009

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:

DIRCTORS: HOLBROOK KUIL KAMPER SCHULZ ROOS

Also present were Secretary/Manager Shields, District Counsel Emrick, Engineering Department Manager Bologna, Water Treatment Plant Manager Hubkey, Utility Systems Director Battles, H.R. Manager Thornburg, Communications Coordinator Saylor, and Water Treatment Plant Office Specialist Jeanne Seeley.

President Kamper called the meeting to order and 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 \$640,193.83 and wires of \$249,148.14 for a total of \$879,341.97.
- B. SSJID Regular Board Meeting Minutes of May 12, 2009.
- C. Adopting Resolution #09-07-Q, Dispose of Surplus Equipment No Longer Necessary for District Purposes.

SOUTH SAN JOAQUIN IRRIGATION DISTRICT
RESOLUTION NO. 09-07-Q
DISPOSE OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT NO LONGER
NECESSARY FOR DISTRICT PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the District may dispose of equipment it finds no longer necessary for District purposes; and

WHEREAS, the following equipment is in poor condition, is no longer adequate for District operations and has been replaced:

Lincoln Power Mast Lift
Model # 6107
Capacity 16,500 pounds

WHEREAS, District records indicate that the equipment does not have a book value; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the equipment does not have a resale value; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE District finds the equipment surplus and authorizes staff to properly dispose of the equipment.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 26th day of May 2009.

- D. Irrigation Service Abandonment Agreement #1571, Wm & Miriam Cabral, APN's 217-03-51 and 52.
- E. Accept and file Notice of Completion for work on the Lateral "Rfb" pipeline installation, SSJ-2008-02.

Motion by Director Holbrook, seconded by Director Roos, and unanimously carried, to approve the Consent Calendar Items as presented.

President Kamper asked for recognition presentations by special guests for the District's 100th Anniversary: Shields stated that we received plaques/resolutions from several parties who were unable to attend.

- U.S. Senator Dianne Feinstein.
- California State Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger.
- American Public Power Association (APPA), President & CEO Mark Crisson
- City of Lathrop, Mayor Kristy Sayles
- Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors
- American Water Works Association (AWWA) CA/NV, Chairperson Dawn White.
- Additionally, the District will be receiving two commemorative American Flags that will be flown over the U.S. Capitol on the date of our formation, May 24, 2009. We will place one at the District's main office and the other at the Water Treatment Plant.

Shields introduced representatives from many agencies, associations and organizations that came to join in recognizing the District's contributions to the communities we serve and who presented plaques and resolutions to commemorate the occasion.

- Oakdale Irrigation District's (OID) President Jack Alpers
- Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) Executive Director Tim Quinn.
- Merced Irrigation District (MID) General Manager Dan Pope.
- City of Stockton Bob Granberg.
- California State Senate Senator Dave Cogdill's Field Representative Sharron Mills-Walk.
- California State Senate Senator Bill Berryhill's Legislative Analyst Josh Wiemer.
- United States Congressman Dennis Cardoza's Field Representative Ellen Powell.
- United States Bureau of Reclamation (USBR), Director Michael Finnegan.
- Stockton East Water District (SEWD) Director Richard Atkins.
- San Joaquin Farm Bureau, Phil Brumley.
- City of Ripon, Mayor Chuck Winn.
- Modesto Irrigation District, Walt Ward.
- Farm Bureau, Bruce Blodgett

Shields unveiled a plaque hanging on the south wall with the names of the original 1909 Directors and a photo of the current 2009 Directors.

President Kamper thanked all the presenters for their resolutions and plaques. He then read a newspaper quote from the 1950's.

“The people of the Oakdale and South San Joaquin Irrigation Districts can, in later years, reflect with pride that they have accomplished something that few people can boast of—and that is they have not bled the ground but are leaving their descendants property which has been enriched through their proprietorship. It is a rare heritage which we will be able to pass down to our children and their children”.

President Kamper asked the Board to consider Item # 2 on the agenda. Approve hiring MCR Engineering for Engineering Services. Bologna said MCR did the Engineering Services for our projects last year and we have asked them for a proposal to do the same for the 2009-2010 season. We have identified four potential projects with facilities that are in need of repair or replacement. They are the “W”-“Wc” connection; the Lateral “Wc”; Lateral “V” – “Ufa” proposed connection and Lateral “Kac”. The estimated cost for these four projects is \$1,010,000, which includes engineering costs of \$88,915. Additionally, we would like to hire MCR to perform other feasibility studies and to perform on-call services for some of the additional tasks and potential projects identified in the staff report, at a cost not to exceed \$100,000. Director Kuil asked about relocating a line on Lateral “Wc” that cuts diagonally across a portion of the parcels to be affected by one of the projects. Bologna said we are aware of this issue and if relocation does not cause a significant increase in cost or adversely impact the hydraulics we will look at

relocating the line. If significant changes are made we will bring it back to the Board for approval. Shields recommends the Board approve the \$189,000 as requested based on the work MCR did for us last season. Motion by Director Schulz, seconded by Director Kuil, and unanimously carried, to approve contracting with MCR Engineering as recommended at a cost not to exceed \$189,000.

Discussion and potential replacement of the Escalon Spill in conjunction with San Joaquin County's McHenry Avenue road widening project. Bologna said we could possibly do the replacement of the spill in conjunction with the County's road widening project. Currently the spill has a capacity of 400 cfs. The County's engineering consultant estimates the cost to replace the spillway at approximately \$2,000,000. Director Kuil suggested we look at other options. Schulz asked if the County widens the road would it be nearer our spill. Bologna said the work will require the County to extend a small portion of the road culvert at the upper end of the spill. They will tie into the existing spill structure with the remaining structure left intact. Bologna said he would like to investigate other options along with a more detailed analysis of replacing the Escalon Spill. The consensus of the Board was to go along with Bologna's request. No action was taken.

Consider authorizing approval of plans for the City of Manteca's Austin Road Water Main Project. Bologna said this primarily 24 inch pipeline will cross four District laterals. All but one crossing can be done during the irrigation season. The water main line will run from Lathrop Road south on Austin Road to Highway 120 with a spur line connection along Louise Avenue that will terminate at the future M-1 Pump Station Site. There is no fiscal impact on the District. Bologna recommends approval and authorization to execute plans relative to the project. Motion by Director Kuil, seconded by Director Roos, and unanimously carried, to approve as requested.

Consider accepting and filing a Notice of Completion for development and installation of a communications monitoring and water management system for South San Joaquin Irrigation District's 28 pumps and approval of final payment to BPL Global for same. Shields said the total project cost was \$573,165.00. A breakdown of the final payment is as follows: Deployment Agreement final payment of \$23,055.40 and Engineering & Software Agreement final payment of \$28,310.00 for a total due of \$51,365.40. Shields said that Frank Avila is satisfied with the results of the project and recommends authorizing filing a Notice of Completion and approving final payment. Director Roos asked whether the system tests for PH. Shields said at this time no, it only tests for salinity but he will look into what it would take and the cost to do so. Motion by Director Kuil, seconded by Director Holbrook, and unanimously carried to approve as requested.

Directors reports from 2009 Spring ACWA Conference.

Director Kuil reported:

- He talked to a vendor who had a hand held computer for Division Managers to use to better monitor water usage. Shields said we have contacted them, in fact he and Operations/Water Superintendent Catanzarite went and saw them in use at Merced I.D.
- That he got a copy of an employee recognition program and gave it to Don Thornburg.
- Looked at a solar presentation which stated that crystalline panels worked better than the new thin film panels.
- Went to a meeting where the Delta farmers with riparian water rights holders said their rights are going to be challenged.

Director Schulz reported:

- Went to a workshop presented by Tim Quinn, Executive Director of ACWA, where he said the SWP and CVP water projects were constructed 50 years ago for one purpose, to extract water for irrigation of crops. Today water projects have to serve multiple uses, irrigation, environmental, endangered species and fish to name a few. Structural changes are necessary for the projects to serve these varied purposes.

President Kamper asked for Managers' Reports.

Hubkey reported:

- LiquiVision finished cleaning the tanks.
- California Department of Public Health (CDPH) has verbally okayed not using "lime" and CO2 for three months to test the effect without using them; CDPH indicated they will follow up with a letter.
- Trenching by WTP crews for the Solar Farm alarm system is complete.

Battles reported:

- As Hubkey reported the Security System is being installed and should be finished and working in 30 to 45 days.
- Received the annual true up bill from PG&E on the 1st Phase of the Solar Plant. The \$163,760 bill was right on with the forecasts. The total bill for the plant was \$410,000.
- The \$975,000 incentive payment under the Self Generation Incentive Program has not yet been received, but we recently received the letter from PG&E which is necessary for the payment to be processed. We have received monthly payments on the California Solar Initiative and should get \$1,000,000 per year for five years.

Emrick reported that with both phases now operating, the key to the 2009-2010 forecast is balancing the loads between the two meters.

Sayler reported:

- Our 100th year celebration is tomorrow and hopes that all the Board members will be able to attend. She thanked the Manteca Bulletin for the coverage they have given us. We have planned for attendance of approximately 500 guests.

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Shields reported:

- There are bills that have been introduced in the Legislature; one to take away water, and the other to take property taxes. We are monitoring these and other legislative bills.
- Alexa LaVere's last day is May 29th
- Attended the Manteca Hall of Fame dinner Saturday along with four Directors and two staff members.
- The Neenha paper plant in Ripon is closing.
- Historical Society has asked for a tour of Goodwin Dam.
- Chamber of Commerce dinner is scheduled for June 6, 2009.
- Handed out irrigation water reports. Commented that Joe Catanzarite, Operations/Water Superintendent is doing a good job keeping the level at or near the 209.5 mark.

President Kamper asked for Directors reports:

Holbrook asked when the water model comes if we can take it to the libraries. Sayler said we can, however we will have to have a staff person present to operate it.

Schulz reported inflows at Don Pedro were 11,000 cfs and at New Melones they were 4,000 cfs.

Roos reported that Ken Hafer told him that Jeff Shields speech at the Historical Society was very informative and interesting. Holbrook said Dale Johnson who also attended the meeting, echoed Mr. Hafer's sentiments.

President Kamper called for closed session. District Counsel Emrick said the Board will discuss the following items in closed session.

- a) Public Employment Appointment, Gov. Code S. 54957. Title: General Manager Tri-Dam.

- b) Conference with Legal Counsel, Anticipated Litigation, Initiation of Litigation. Gov. Code S. 54956.9, Two cases.
- c) Conference with Real Property Negotiator. Gov. Code S. 54956.8. Negotiating parties: District and City of Stockton and Stockton East Water District.
- d) Conference with Real Property Negotiator. Gov. Code S. 54956.8. Negotiating parties: District & Riverside LHC LTD.
- e) Conference with Legal Counsel, anticipated litigation Gov. Code S. 54956.9. Various hearings and workshops concerning the San Joaquin River and the Bay-Delta before the State Water Resources Control Board.
- f) Public employment performance evaluation. Gov. Code S. 54957. Positions: General Manager.

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

There being no further business to come before the Board it was moved by Director Schulz, seconded by Director Kuil, and unanimously carried to adjourn to June 9, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.

ATTEST:

John Stein, Assistant Secretary