

Manteca, California
June 13, 2017

The Board of Directors of the South San Joaquin Irrigation District met in regular session in their chambers at 9:00 a.m. President Kuil called the meeting to order and led the flag salute. Upon roll call the following members were noted present:

DIRECTORS: HOLMES KAMPER KUIL ROOS HOLBROOK
ABSENT:

Also present were General Manager Peter Rietkerk, Assistant General Manager Bere Lindley, General Counsel Steve Emrick, Engineering Department Manager Sam Bologna, and Interim Executive Secretary Dawn Driesen.

Public Comment

None

CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Approval of Warrants in the amount of \$1,418,999.99; payroll dated May 26, 2017 in the amount of \$197,033.80 and payroll dated June 9, 2017 in the amount of 210,630.24.

B. Approval of the board meeting minutes of regular meeting of May 23, 2017.

Mr. Holbrook noted that on page 12 it should read Boys & Girls Club Golf Tournament.

C. Approval of the special board meeting minutes of the special meeting of May 22, 2017.

Mr. Emrick asked that “No reportable action was taken” be added to the end of the minutes.

A motion was made by Director Kuil and seconded by Director Roos to accept the Consent Calendar with the noted changes. The motion passed 5 to 0 by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	HOLMES KAMPER KUIL ROOS HOLBROOK
NOES:	NONE
ABSTAIN:	NONE
ABSENT:	NONE

Director Kuil asked that Item #5 be discussed first.

Item #5 – Discussion regarding algae in the District canals and treatment plan.

Walt Luihn, Safety/Environmental Compliance Officer, updated the Board on the chemicals being used in the District’s system to combat algae. Mr. Luihn said that they are not currently using Magnacide due to safety concerns for the applicators and environmental reasons. This year they

started using Teton which works differently than Magnacide. Since the initial applications of Teton the algae situation has not gotten better. Mr. Luihn is working with the representatives from Teton to resolve the situation. Several growers expressed their concern and willingness to work with the District. They also asked that the District look into installing screens to help reduce the amount of algae they get in their systems. Director Kuil thanked Mr. Luihn and the growers and suggested that the Water Committee meet with a couple of growers to explore solutions.

Item #2 – Discussion and/or action regarding temporary supply of Water Truck for Tri-Dam Project.

General Manager, Peter Rietkerk, stated that he spoke to District staff about purchasing an additional water truck and renting it temporarily to Tri Dam. Staff does not see a need for an additional water truck. Mr. Rietkerk spoke to Ron Berry before the Board Meeting and Mr. Berry said they were able to rent a water truck for three months.

Item #1 – Consider approval of budget amendment for Water Treatment Plant security enhancements, approval of budget amendment for Door Access Control System, and approval to purchase Door Access System.

Michael O’Leary presented the Board with the quotes for installing a door access system at the District’s main offices. He said the system would work the same as the Water Treatment Plant with ID cards. He recommended going with ACME Security Systems. Mr. O’Leary also asked for an increase to the Water Treatment Plant’s budget to enhance their security. Director Holmes asked Mr. O’Leary if he would be printing the cards, or if he would send them out. Mr. O’Leary stated that he would be sending them out since he did not include the \$1,500 cost of the machine in his quote.

Director Holmes moved, and Director Holbrook seconded, to increase the District’s 2017 capital budget and approve the quote by Acme Security Systems in the amount of \$74,939.77 and an additional \$1,500 to purchase a card printer, and to increase the Water Treatment Plant’s 2017-2018 budget by \$6,285.00 to enhance security. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: HOLMES KUIL ROOS HOLBROOK
NOES: KAMPER
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

Item #3 – Consider approval of the Memorandum of Understanding between SSJID and IBEW Local 1245.

This item will be discussed after Closed Session.

Item #4 – Consider compensation adjustment to the SCADA Analyst position.

Don Thornburg and Frank Avila addressed the Board. This position was brought to the Board on February 14, 2017 with a pay scale of \$32.68 - \$40.85. After initial interviews it became evident that an adjustment was necessary to be competitive. They requested adjusting the pay range to \$38.77 - \$47.97.

Director Holbrook moved to adjust the SCADA Analyst pay range to \$38.77 - \$47.97. Director Holmes seconded. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: HOLMES KAMPER KUIL ROOS HOLBROOK
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

Item #6 – Discussion regarding the state of Master Encroachment Agreements with various agencies and private utilities.

Sam Bologna gave an update on the status of Master Encroachment Agreements with other agencies. He stated that a proposed agreement was sent to PG&E on April 13, 2017, but he hasn't received comments from them. He said that any requests from PG&E that are being processed in the meantime are adhering to the conditions of the Master Encroachment Agreement. They are also in the process of modifying language on Master Encroachment Agreements with other utilities and the cities, which have also expired. They hope to use some of the same language that was outlined in the amendment that was prepared for PG&E.

Item #7 – Consider conditional approval of the CenterPoint Intermodal Development on-site and off-site improvement plans.

This item will be discussed after Closed Session.

Item #8 – Consider request from PG&E for an encroachment for an overhead electric line service crossing Lateral "I" at 22892 Lemon Avenue.

Mr. Bologna said that PG&E is requesting to cross a portion of the District's Lateral "I" with an overhead electric line to service property owned by JW West on Lemon Avenue in Escalon. Staff has worked with PG&E to modify the plans to make them adhere to District standards.

A motion was made by Director Holbrook, and seconded by Director Roos, to authorize signature of plans and encroachment letter. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: HOLMES KAMPER KUIL ROOS HOLBROOK
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

Item #9 – Discussion regarding matters related to the Delicato project including encroachments and incentive for Laterals "Qk" and "Qn" pipeline realignment project.

Mr. Bologna stated that Delicato has decided to relocate the District's Lateral "Qn" rather than removing all of their encroachments. Staff is still waiting to receive original documents back from Delicato for the project.

Item #10 – Consider conditional approval of Silva Estates development project.

Mr. Bologna addressed the Board and stated that Silva Estates #2 is a residential development located east of Union and north of the recently approved Milner Estates in Manteca. The owner of this property will need to sign an Irrigation Service Abandonment Agreement. With this project

there will be an abandonment of facilities as well as a formal abandonment of Pump #40. The District previously accepted money in lieu of replacement of the pump and agreed to abandon it once all irrigation was eliminated. The new pump site will be on a dedicated lot within the Milner Estates. The developer would like to use the pump for construction purposes and then abandon it after construction. A Transfer Agreement will be prepared which allows the District to formally transfer the pump to the Developer. The District will also need a letter from the City of Manteca regarding storm drainage from this project as it does affect District facilities.

Motion was made by Director Roos to authorize conditional approval of improvement plans and signature of related documents including an Irrigation Service Abandonment Agreement, Quitclaim and Transfer Agreement for well, as well as receipt of letter from City of Manteca regarding storm drainage. Motion was seconded by Director Holbrook. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: HOLMES KAMPER KUIL ROOS HOLBROOK
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

Item #11 – Discussion/Direction from Board of Directors regarding appointment to SJTA Executive Director position.

Mr. Rietkerk stated that he has discussed the appointment of an Executive Director to the SJTA with the other agencies involved. The consensus of the agencies is to hold off on appointing someone right now as it may not provide any additional benefit to the Districts.

Item #12 – Discuss and consider temporary appointment to the East San Joaquin Groundwater Authority for SSJID/SSJGSA.

Mr. Rietkerk said that the County will be holding a JPA meeting on June 14th and a SGMA working group will follow. The SSJGSA plans to hold its first Board meeting in August and will not have an official member designation until then. In the meantime, a representative from SSJID can sit in as a representative for the SSJGSA. Ripon and Escalon approve of this arrangement until the Governing Board is seated.

Motion by Director Kuil, seconded by Director Kamper to appoint Peter Rietkerk as temporary Board member to the Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Joint Powers Authority. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: HOLMES KAMPER KUIL ROOS HOLBROOK
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

Item #13 – Consider approval of SSJID Strategic Plan 2017-2021.

Mr. Rietkerk gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Strategic Plan.

A motion was made by Director Holmes and seconded by Director Roos to approve the SSJID Strategic Plan 2017-2021.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: HOLMES KAMPER KUIL ROOS HOLBROOK
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

Item #14 – Financial Statement for April 2017.

Mr. Lindley stated that he had no report, but would answer any question the Board might have. There were no questions.

Item #15 – Investment Reports for April 2017.

Mr. Lindley stated that he had no report, but would answer any question the Board might have. There were no questions.

Item #16 - Communications

Director Holbrook

- As a follow-up on the ACWA Conference, Director Holbrook met news reporter David Little from Chico at the conference. Mr. Little sent him a publication about the anniversary of the floods in Humboldt County in 1964. Mr. Holbrook said that it was a 1,000 year flood, the new high water mark was 100' higher than before and 50% of the bridges in the area were wiped out.

Director Holmes

- He attended the Tri Dam Committee meeting last Monday.
- The regular Tri Dam meeting will be held at SSJID on Thursday.
- He received a request from the Escalon Police Department to be considered for surplus trucks to use for their volunteers.
- He received a bill for his pump station. The charges came out to be \$80.54 per acre foot.

Ed Erisman, Water Treatment Plant Manager

- Treated water reservoir #2 repairs are complete. The cathodic protection has been installed and the tank has been disinfected, filled and initial bacteriological and VOC (volatile organic compounds) samples have come back clear. The tank will be put back into service as soon as the final bacteriological sample clears this afternoon.
- We have rented two 20,000 gal. portable storage tanks and are pumping the neutralized citric waste directly into these tanks instead of drying bed #1. Since all of the other drying beds are full of sludge we had to use drying bed #1 for our process sludge. We are having the tanks pumped and hauled away to City of Tracy WWTP in-between cleans. The good news is that this has allowed us to continue the quarterly scheduled recovery cleans without interruption even though drying bed #1 is not available.
- The rotary press pilot test was not successful. The operator from Fournier claimed that our sludge was not compatible even with high doses of polymer. The rotary press seems to be more useful for waste water operations. The good news is that Fournier agreed to send us out a filter press for another one week pilot test. It should be at the plant July 10th.

Bere Lindley, Assistant General Manager

- Update on applications for new Accounting Management position. They received approximately 30 applications, many from outside the U.S. Of the 30 applications about 6 met the requirements for the position. They may reconsider the job configuration or use other avenues to attract a bigger audience.

Troylene Sayler, Director of Public Relations

- 6/16 – Manteca Chamber Installation Dinner
- 6/22 – Open House for the retirement of Mike and Suzanne Mallory
- 7/8 – San Joaquin Farm Bureau Summer’s Bounty
- 7/13 – Hope Family Shelter, Family Night of Hope
- 9/15 – Fairways for Foster Kids

Sam Bologna, Engineering Department Manager

- GBA/ SGMA: Attended an Ad Hoc meeting on May 24th regarding crop uses for the on-going modeling effort. Also, plans to attend the groundwater workgroup meeting tomorrow.
- City of Manteca: Plans to have a quarterly meeting with the City of Manteca on Thursday to discuss storm water and other issues regarding compliance with storm drainage requirements.
- Development projects: Working on a number of development projects and smaller in-fill projects throughout the District.
- Modernization planning: Met with Dr. Burt on Friday the 26th to discuss ideas for potential modernization projects and to assist with brainstorming for a proposed master plan. Working on an RFP for consultants to perform work. Also working on RFP for proposed work on the MDC.
- Met with Division of Safety of Dam on May 31st to perform the annual Dam Inspection at Woodward Reservoir. The inspection went well with no major issues identified.
- Van Groningens are preparing field for planting on property leased from District. Met with them to discuss means of irrigating property.

Peter Rietkerk, General Manager

- Dr. Burt is working on scoping the water master plan. ITRC is working out funding with DWR.
- Recommends that the Public Relations Committee discuss how the District addresses requests for surplus vehicles.
- Delta Fisheries meeting in Sacramento on 5/24.

It was announced that Items a - f would be discussed in Closed Session.

Item #17 – Closed Session

17. a. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9
- 4 cases

- b. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
 Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9
 - Phase 1 hearings on San Joaquin River/Delta Water Quality Control Plan before State Water Resources Control Board
 - 2 cases
- c. Conference with legal counsel – Existing Litigation
 (Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9
 - 5 cases

Pacific Gas & Electric Company vs. San Joaquin LAFCo
 Superior Court for San Joaquin County
 Case No. 39-2015-00321743-CU-JR-STK

SSJID vs. Pacific Gas & Electric Company, A California Corp., et al.
 Superior Court for San Joaquin County
 Case No. STK-CV-UED-2016-0006638

Lee Tyler, et al. vs Oakdale Irrigation District, et al.
 Calaveras County Superior Court
 Case No. 17CV42319

I.B.E.W. Local 1245 and Thomas Johnson vs. SSJID
 Superior Court for San Joaquin County
 Case No. CV-2015-9228

SSJID vs. Robert Donald Ney, Jr., Trustee
 Superior Court for San Joaquin County
 Case No. 2017-5525

- d. Public Employment
 Title: Assistant General Counsel
- e. Conference with Real Property Negotiators
 Government Code Section 54956.8
 Property: A portion of District’s real property between Airport Way and the French Camp Outlet Canal containing Drain 3
 Agency Negotiator: General Manager and Engineering Department Manager
 Negotiating Parties: SSJID, CenterPoint Properties Trust
 Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment
- f. Conference with Labor Negotiator
 California Government Code Section 54957.6
 Agency Negotiator: General Manager
 Employee Organization: I.B.E.W. Local 1245

Upon their return from Closed Session, there was no reportable action.

Item #3 – Consider approval of the Memorandum of Understanding between SSJID and IBEW Local 1245.

A motion was made by Director Holmes, and seconded by Director Roos, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between SSJID and IBEW Local 1245, contingent upon Mr. Rietkerk approving the wage schedule with the Union.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: HOLMES KAMPER KUIL ROOS HOLBROOK
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

Item #7 – Consider conditional approval of the CenterPoint Intermodal Development on-site and off-site improvement plans.

Director Kuil moved for conditional approval of the CenterPoint Intermodal Development per staff's recommendation with a \$1,000 charge for the value of the easement to be granted, approval of plans and CEQA compliance. Motion was seconded by Director Kamper. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: HOLMES KAMPER KUIL ROOS HOLBROOK
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

Item #18 – Adjournment

Motion by Director Holmes, seconded by Director Roos and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned.

AYES: HOLMES KUIL KAMPER ROOS HOLBROOK
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

ATTEST: _____
Dawn Driesen, Interim Executive Secretary