

Manteca, California
July 25, 2000

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

Upon roll call the following members were noted present:

DIRECTORS: DEGROOT HAWORTH KAMPER ROOS SCHULZ

Also present were Secretary/Manager Martin, General Counsel Emrick, Engineering Department Manager Wahlgren.

President Roos 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 \$189,552.85.
- B. Regular Board Meeting of Minutes of July 11, 2000.
- C. Resolution No. 2000-12-V, Authorizing the Sale of Property No Longer Necessary for District Purposes.

**RESOLUTION NO 00-12-V
AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF PROPERTY NO
LONGER NECESSARY FOR DISTRICT PURPOSES**

WHEREAS, the District may sell for valuable consideration, any property of the District, which it finds to be no longer necessary for District purposes;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the South San Joaquin Irrigation District finds the following used Pickup Trucks:

DISTRICT I.D. NO.	SERIAL NO.
230-94	176389
228-96	176036

are no longer necessary for District purposes and that it is in the best interest of the District to sell said property; and

WHEREAS, the District finds, the following value is a fair consideration for said property;

DISTRICT I.D. NO.	FAIR MARKET VALUE
230-94	\$7,750.00
228-96	\$5,500.00

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the Assistant General Manager of the District is authorized to display said property for sale for a period of ten days thereafter, directed to sell said property to whoever presents the highest cash offer, provided that the offer is equal to or exceeds the following:

DISTRICT I.D. NO.	MINIMUM PRICE
230-94	\$7,200.00
228-96	\$4,950.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the Assistant General Manager is authorized and directed to take all necessary steps and execute all documents necessary to transfer title to said property.

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

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 25th day of July 2000 by the following roll call vote:

Ayes:	DeGroot	Haworth	Kamper	Roos	Schulz
Noes:	None				

Consider request by Alex Madonna to cancel water service to APN's 243-190-30,31,32,& 33 consider waiving penalties. Martin said District policy is that all accounts must be current. Mr. Madonna was told this and is asking for an exception. **Motion by Kamper, seconded by DeGroot, and unanimously carried, to deny request to waive penalties.**

Consider approving amendment to contract with Black & Veatch for additional studies related to South County Surface Water Supply Project. Martin said the Operating Committee has approved the amendment to the contract for Black & Veatch, additional cost is not to exceed \$65,000. **Motion by Haworth, seconded by Schulz, to approve the amendment as requested. Passed and Adopted, 4 Ayes, 1 No with Director Kamper voting No.**

Consider change in District's sump replacement program which was adopted September 23, 1997. Stein said he recommends the sump replacement portion of the sump program adopted in 1997 be amended as follows:

1. \$3,500 if completed by March 1, 2001.
2. \$3,000 if completed by March 1, 2002.
3. \$2,500 if completed by March 1, 2003.
4. Those failing to complete installation of a new sump by March 1, 2003 will be required to do so at their own expense. Until the new sump is in they will not be allowed to take water through the old sump.

Those on the list of sumps which are verified to be causing over-pressurization of our lines should be turned over to the Engineering Department. Incentives should be added to urge landowners to comply with our policy, current policy is \$2,500 or 50% which ever is less.

Motion by DeGroot, seconded by Haworth, and unanimously carried, to approve as submitted. Additionally, Engineering Department is to develop a list, identify, prioritize, accompanied with a description of why it is damaging our system, and select those that need to be completed by March 1, 2001 on or before October 24, 2000.

Discussion and possible action concerning changes in the health insurance broker and providers. Laura Simon of Acordia of California Insurance Services, Inc., to make a presentation to the

Board. Ms. Simon was introduced to the Board. She gave a brief synopsis of Acordia. She told the Board that she had obtained proposals from several different health insurance carriers, and after careful consideration, Cheryl Burke and John Stein has selected and were recommending Blue Shield of California. She noted that due to the size of our employee pool and the fairly high number of our employees being near or over the age of 50, insurers would only quote if they could provide exclusive coverage. The action recommended by Stein was to terminate our broker agreement with Galluppi and Associates, and sign a new agreement with Acordia. Additionally, terminate our agreements with AETNA and National Health effective August 31, 2000 and sign an agreement with Blue Shield to be our Health Insurance Carrier. Cost of insurance for 12 months beginning September 1, 2000 and ending August 31, 2001, based on current employees, would be \$320,262.96. **Motion by DeGroot, seconded by Kamper, to change brokers as recommended, and to cancel agreements with AETNA & National and sign new agreement with Blue Shield of California effective September 1, 2000. Motion Carried, 4 Ayes, 1 No, with Director Schulz voting No.**

Consider adoption of billing rate for General Counsel to outside parties. Martin recommended we charge to the same rate as OID's General Counsel, O'Laughlin & Paris, \$130.00. **Motion by Schulz, seconded by Kamper, to adopt a rate for General Counsel of \$130.00 per hour. Motion Carried, 4 Ayes, 1 No, with Director DeGroot voting No.**

Authorize staff to retain a legislative consultant. Martin said we have become aware that pending legislation may impact the District's ability to provide services. He recommended hiring a consultant in order to monitor legislative bills and provide input into the bills in order to protect the District's interests. Attorney Emrick said he would like to table this item until after closed session.

President Roos called for closed session relative to litigation matters, personnel matters, and labor update. Attorney Emrick announced that the Board will be discussing items a) through c) in closed session.

- a) Conference with legal counsel, anticipated litigation, institution of litigation pursuant to Gov. Code, S. 54956.9. Two cases.
- b) Conference with legal counsel, existing litigation, Stanislaus County vs. SSJID, and Sierra Club et. al., vs. SSJID. Gov. Code, S. 54956.9(a).
- c) Conference with legal counsel, existing litigation, Dennis Jones, vs. SSJID. Gov. Code, S. 54956.9 (a).

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

President Roos called a recess for lunch.

Upon returning from lunch President Roos called the meeting to order and asked the Board to return to item #6.

Consider authorizing staff to retain a legislative consultant. Martin said the cost will be approximately \$25,000 to retain a consultant. **Motion by DeGroot, seconded by Kamper, and unanimously carried, authorizing staff to obtain the services of a legislative consultant, execute agreement, not to exceed \$25,000.**

Consider action relative to new position, "Assistant Water Superintendent/Main Distribution Canal, approve job description, and set salary. Additionally, consider eliminating the following positions: Technical Systems Supervisor, and Technical Systems Assistant. Stein told the Board the new position, along with outside consultants should be adequate to operate and maintain the systems on the MDC and the Phase II monitoring systems. He recommended the Board set a salary of \$47,000 per year. **Motion by Schulz, seconded by Haworth, and unanimously carried, to create the new position of Assistant Water Superintendent/Main Distribution Canal, set a salary of \$47,000 per year, and eliminate the positions of Technical Systems Supervisor and Technical Systems Assistant.**

President Roos asked for Managers and Directors reports:

Martin gave out the current Water Reports.

Martin reported that San Joaquin County, Stanislaus County, and the City of Escalon are jointly going to study widening McHenry Avenue north and south of the river.

Martin read letter from Bob Wahlgren announcing his resignation as Engineering Department Manager effective August 11, 2000.

Martin reported that per Board Direction, at the July 11th meeting, to review th Northwest Site, Cal Poly notified us that the cost to perform the review will be approximately \$4,750.00.

Martin read the following Structure Report into the record:

Hogan Manufacturing, Inc., APN 247-020-11, to abandon private pipeline installation located on Lateral "Kc", Station 18-19.

Director Haworth said relative to the "Proposed Fugitive Dust Control Measures of Maintenance Roads" by the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District could have a severe financial impact on the District. He asked that we become involved in establishing the regulations.

Director Roos asked for the estimated water use for 2000. Martin estimated around 215,000 acre feet.

There being no further business to come before the Board it was moved by Schulz, seconded by DeGroot, and unanimously carried, to adjourn to August 8, 2000 at 9:00 a.m.

Attest:

John Stein, Assistant Secretary

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