

Manteca, California  
August 8, 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: HOLBROOK HOLMES KAMPER KUIL ROOS  
ABSENT: NONE

Also present were General Manager Peter Rietkerk, General Counsel Steve Emrick, Engineering Department Manager Sam Bologna, and Clerk of the Board Betty Garcia.

**Public Comment** - None

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

- A. Approval of Warrants in the amount of \$580,405.32; A/P wires in the amount of \$402,467.15; payroll dated July 28 in the amount of \$55,921.19 and August 4, 2017 in the amount of \$206,424.62.
- B. Approval of the regular board meeting minutes of July 25, 2017.
- C. Approval of Consent to SSJID's entry of property to read and to maintain flow meter for David Scheel, APN 228-030-46.

Director Holbrook noted on page 4 of the minutes under his report, Brian Nakagawa should be changed to Brandon Nakagawa. On page 5 of the minutes, he noted under Sam Bologna's report about Grant Funding, security \$6 million should be changed to secured \$6 million. The last bulletin in Sam's report "week" control should be changed to reflect "weed" control.

Mr. Rietkerk noted these changes on page 6 of the minutes, that the Water Treatment Plant discussed the recession, the drought of 2012-2016, and now mandated conservation have caused the water treatment plant capacity to continue to be underutilized, with no significant near-term demand growth projected. He said the City of Escalon has renewed their interest in receiving water from the WTP and the City of Ripon has long-term interests in receiving treated surface water. Partner cities see the benefits of bringing on additional parties to more fully utilize the plant capacity.

A motion was made by Director Roos and seconded by Director Holbrook to approve the Consent Calendar with the above listed changes to the minutes. The motion passed 5 to 0 by the following roll call vote:

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

## **ACTION CALENDAR**

### **Item #1 – Legislative update with Michael Boccadoro and Maddie Dunlap from West Coast Advisors**

Mr. Boccadoro gave an in-depth review of the legislative issues regarding water supply, climate/energy policy, key legislative issues remaining for 2017, and legislative challenges likely to continue.

#### **Water Supply update**

- 2017 water year provided record precipitation; drought emergency declaration lifted
- All major water supply reservoirs at or above 100% of normal, except for Lake Oroville, due to the damaged spillway
- Surface water supplies vastly improved; CVP at 100%; SWP at 85%
- Long-term conservation being debated; build on 20% conservation target
- Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA); could impact groundwater pumping by 20% or more

He reviewed ongoing water supply issues, such as:

- Environmental water supply restrictions will continue to limit surface supplies
- Proposed “unimpaired flows” on Sacramento and San Joaquin rivers
- Groundwater overdraft remains an issue
- Ag water use continuing to be scrutinized by environmental community
- New storage projects under consideration
- CA Climate Policies propose aggressive reductions of carbon dioxide
- Long-term water Conservation

He also reviewed controversial bills:

- SB 100 (DeLeon) controversial bill to push renewable energy requirements to 100% by 2045; driven by the labor community
- SB 623 (Monning) controversial bill – supported by some AG groups/opposed by ACWA
- AB 18 (E. Garcia) \$3.2 billion water bond with limited water provisions
- Nature Conservancy Initiative \$7.5 billion; pending review of title and summary for ballot
- Meral Initiative \$8.36 billion pending review, AG & Labor support
- SB 49 (DeLeon) Baseline Federal Standards
- AB 1270 (Gallagher) Dam inspections
- Prop 218 Reform
  - SB 231 (Hertzberg) finance of stormwater capture, clean-up & reuse
  - SCA 4 (Hertzberg) conservation & lifeline rates
- AB 313 (Gray) SWRCB enforcement reform
- AB 464 (Gallagher) LAFCO which allows annexation of territory already receiving services

Ongoing Legislative/Regulatory Threats

- Final two years of Brown Administration will be challenging
- Minimum wage, ag overtime, & GHG regulation enacted in 2016

- Transportation tax including diesel tax adopted earlier this year
- Energy policies will continue to drive costs
- Water quality/water supply issues

**Item #2 – Review and approve revised Community Education/Awareness Policy**

Ms. Troylene Sayler, Director of Public Relations, presented the amended Community Education and Awareness Program (CEAP) policy to include vehicle donation guidelines. She said the policy was reviewed by District’s General Counsel, Steve Emrick and outside counsel, Don Geiger.

A motion was made by Director Holbrook and seconded by Director Holmes to approve the revised Community Education/Awareness Policy as presented. The motion passed 5 to 0 by the following vote:

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

**Item #3 – Consider approval for Door Access Controls Change Order and Budget Amendment**

Mr. Michael O’Leary, IT Systems Administrator, said when the door access control system was approved at the June 13, 2017 board meeting, that proposal did not include remote controls for the front gate. This change order and budget amendment will include the gate remote controls, automatic door closers, and a uniform key system.

A motion was made by Director Holmes and seconded by Director Holbrook to approve the Door Access Controls Change Order and Budget amendment in the amount of \$13,456.62. The motion passed 5 to 0 by the following vote:

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

**Item #4 – Update and discussion regarding potential future Water Master Plan**

Mr. Rietkerk distributed a staff memo to the Board regarding a potential future Water Master Plan. He said that staff budgeted an effort in 2017 for master planning with the intention of setting water resource, capital infrastructure, and modernization goals and objectives that will meet the needs of local customers for years to come.

Mr. Forrest Killingsworth, Associate Civil Engineer, reviewed a power point presentation with the Board. He said the purpose of the presentation is to define what a Water Master Plan is and how it can help guide the District. He explained specific components of the envisioned Water Master Plan and discussed a potential schedule and budget. He said a Water Master Plan is also known as a Water Resources Plan and is a comprehensive long-term strategy that recommends

how an organization should exist in the future. The plan will focus on protecting and optimizing the management and utilization of the District's surface and groundwater resources in a sustainable manner, while adapting to the customer's evolving demands. He reviewed strategic goals, outreach, water supply, water demand, maximizing beneficial use, conservation, service, groundwater, infrastructure and modernization, environmental, and the financial aspects of the Water Master Plan.

Mr. Killingsworth explained that a Water Master Plan would provide a framework for future development over the next 15 years related to:

- Infrastructure needs
- Modernization concepts
- Water supply and demand
- Conservation
- Maintenance needs
- Financial feasibility
- Regulatory requirements

He requested input and comments from the Board related to the Water Master Planning effort. The Board gave direction that staff utilize the information reviewed today and information that has been previously provided by consultants in the upcoming study. This item was discussed but no action was required at this time.

**Item #5 – June Financial Statements**

Mr. Bere Lindley, Assistant General Manager, reviewed in detail the June financial statements with the Board. No action was taken on this item.

**Item #6 – June and July Investment Reports**

Mr. Lindley briefly reviewed the June and July Investment reports with the Board. No action was taken on this item.

**Item #7 – Consider compensation adjustment for General Counsel after Closed Session**

No action was taken on this item.

**Item #8 – Communications**

Director Holbrook

- He and Peter Rietkerk attended the San Joaquin Farm Bureau meeting on July 25. One discussion was that by 2050, 70% more food will be needed. He said that Chuck Winn attended the Columbia Conference of Supervisors.

Director Kuil

- He attended the Tri-Dam Advisory Committee meeting on August 7. There was discussion regarding the development of a Marina at Lake Tulloch.

Robert Holmes

- He attended the first meeting of the South San Joaquin Groundwater Sustainability Agency on Monday, August 7. Officers were appointed to the Board. There were discussion regarding formation of a JPA, budget, and policy statements for stakeholder inclusion. He stated that Mr. Rietkerk, Tammy Alcantor, and Kevin Werner did a great job in preparing for the board meeting.

Ed Erisman, Water Treatment Plant Manager

- Staff has the cathodic protection system tested annually. The last test indicated a section of the transmission line in the Tracy area was possibly being subjected to stray current. Stray current can be very damaging to buried metal pipe through corrosion. We are currently working with JDH corrosion to give us a cost estimate for finding the stray current and eliminating it before it can do any more damage.
- The State Department of Water Resources requires the WTP to test quarterly for DBP's (disinfection by-products). Our last two rounds of quarterly samples have shown elevated levels of certain DBP's. The MCL's (maximum contaminant levels) for DBP's are based on an annual running average by location. Exceeding the MCL for one or two quarters does not necessarily mean that the running average has been exceeded. However since we have seen two quarters of elevated samples in a row there is a possibility that some of the Cities that we serve water to will also experience elevated numbers and could actually exceed the annual average. The DBP compounds are considered by the State to be potentially cancer causing at very high doses but you can't taste or smell them. We have made some changes in our pre-treatment to hopefully reduce these numbers, however due to reduced contact time when dosing with chlorine after the DAFs, we have occasionally experienced taste and odor complaints. Taste and odor standards are secondary and not considered harmful to human health, but they are some of the only standards by which our customers judge our water. To help us with the very fine balancing act of taste and odors or DBP formation, we have started looking into some simple methods for removing them or at least reducing the formation potential by changing the point of disinfection and also some simple mixers and spray nozzles that will be installed in our treated water storage tanks.

Troylene Sayler, Public Relations Director

- Kids in a Box, Friday, September 15 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.
- Agape Village Golf Tournament, Friday, September 15
- Manteca Fire Chief's Car Show, Saturday, September 23
- Manteca Police Officer's Ball, Saturday, September 23
- Give Every Child a Chance San Joaquin Valley Brew Fest, Saturday, September 30
- Manteca Pumpkin Fair, October 7 & 8
- Ripon Main Street Day, Saturday, October 21

Sam Bologna, Engineering Department Manager

- GBA/ SGMA: Participated as a member of the selection committee panel to hire a consultant to prepare the GSP Grant Application Consultant Selection. At tomorrow's

meeting, a recommendation to be made to JPA to select GEI as the consultant. Also attended the first meeting of the SSJGSA yesterday.

- Capital Improvements- Working of the five-year plan and should have some recommendations at the next meeting regarding projects for this maintenance season. We are also reviewing a proposal to set up a pipeline rating system as part of our GIS program. Walt indicated that he has been dealing with the environmental health department on the gun club matter and it looks like we can put that project off until next maintenance season.
- Rossier Road project- Met with County and they have completed their portion of the work and have turned it over to us to begin the excavation portion of the project.
- Plan to host a tour of Division 9 project for members of the Almond Board and members of the business division of the Governor's office (Go-Biz) on Thursday.
- Ripon Developments: Have scheduled meeting with City of Ripon staff to discuss the proposed Meadowood project that affects a portion of Lateral "V" canal upstream of Hwy 99. Also getting close to finalizing the Vineyards project located on River Road and Fulton Ave. It appears that the developer is abandoning the Inverness project located on North Ripon Road and River Road affecting the upper end of the Lateral "V".
- Delicato update: New pipeline has been installed for the relocation of Lateral "Qk". They are waiting for a window to connect to existing pipeline. MCR has completed plans for Lateral "Qn" replacement, which Delicato consultants are reviewing prior to submittal to us for review and approval.

Peter Rietkerk, General Manager

- California Public Utilities Commission will hold a meeting at the Stockton Civic Auditorium on August 15 regarding Phase II of the General Rate Case.
- OID/SSJID are working on a revised plan of operation for New Melones to provide additional storage and to meet environmental needs.
- Will be attending the SJTA meeting on August 14
- Participated in the Management Accountant Interviews

It was announced that items #9B, 9C, 9F, 9G, and 9H would be discussed in Closed Session.

### **Item #9 – Closed Session**

9. a. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation  
Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9  
- 2 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  
- 1 case

- 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: General Counsel
  
- e. Conference with Real Property Negotiators pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.8
  - Property: A portion of District’s real property containing the French Camp Outlet Canal
  - Agency Negotiator: General Manager and Engineering Department Manager
  - Negotiating Parties: SSJID, Union Pacific Railroad
  - Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment
  
  - Property: Water
  - Agency Negotiator: General Manager
  - Negotiating Parties: SSJID and South Delta Water Agency
  - Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment of sale
  
- f. Public Employment
  - Title: Management Accountant
  
- g. Public Employment Performance Evaluation
  - Government Code Section 54957
  - Title: General Counsel

- h. Management Unit Negotiations
  - California Government Code Section 54957.6
  - Agency Negotiator: General Manager
  - Employee Organizations: SSJID's Management Group

Upon their return from Closed Session, it was reported that no action was taken while in Closed Session.

**Item #10 – ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Director Holmes and seconded by Director Kamper to adjourn the meeting at 1:20 p.m. The motion passed 5 to 0 by the following vote:

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

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Betty L. Garcia, Clerk of the Board