

Manteca, California  
August 28, 2001

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: HAWORTH      KAMPER      ROOS      SCHULZ

Absent:      DEGROOT

Also present were Secretary/Manager Stroud, Attorney Emrick, District Engineer Gilton, and Engineering Supervisor Bologna.

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.

Director DeGroot arrived at 9:10 a.m.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

- A      SSJID Warrants of \$220,644.77.
- B.      Regular Board Meeting Minutes of August 14, 2001.
- C.      Adoption of Resolution 01-16-Q, Disposal of Surplus Computer Equipment.

#### RESOLUTION 01-16-Q DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS COMPUTER EQUIPMENT

**WHEREAS**, the South San Joaquin Irrigation District, hereinafter referred to as DISTRICT, may dispose of property of the District which it finds to be no longer necessary for District purposes;  
and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors of the District finds that the following computer equipment:

QTY	DESCRIPTION
1	Future Power CPU s/n 903C2V07538 with keyboard, mouse and Magnavox Super VGA monitor s/n 65952645
1	IBM clone (no visible serial number) with keyboard, mouse and MGC monitor s/n BCD834B07524

1	IBM clone (no visible serial number) with keyboard, mouse and KDS Visual Sensations monitor s/n 0204000132
1	Dell Optiplex GX110 tower (s/n 7NRZ301 - SSJID tag 1014) with keyboard, mouse and Dell monitor (s/n MY-07753T-46632-083-21DL)
1	Dell Optiplex GX110 (s/n 63HJ208 - SSJID tag 1062) with keyboard, mouse and Dell monitor (s/n MX-0832DX-47801-06J-II1MS - SSJID tag 1063)
1	Dell Optiplex GX110 (s/n 1YQG20B - SSJID tag 1021) with keyboard, mouse and Dell monitor (s/n MX-0832DX-47801-06J-H0H8 - SSJID tag 1022)

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

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors finds a selling price of \$400 per Dell unit and \$150 for the remaining 3 units to be reasonable; and

**WHEREAS**, if after one month there is no interest in the computers from District employees, staff is authorized to donate remaining computer equipment; and

**WHEREAS**, the Finance Supervisor, General Manager, Assistant General Manager, General Counsel and Board of Directors are not eligible to purchase said equipment.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the District finds the above listed computer equipment is surplus and authorizes staff to prepare the equipment for sale and administer the sell of said computer equipment.

Motion by Roos, seconded by Haworth, to approve the Consent Calendar Item as submitted.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 28<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2001 by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: DeGroot      Haworth      Kamper      Roos      Schulz  
 Noes:              None

Consider request from Carol Spurgeon to quitclaim a portion of an easement, and accept an easement from Mr. Spurgeon, for Drain 11b located at 24275 Brown Road. Engineering Department Supervisor Bologna said there are no District facilities in the easement and thus no need to keep the easement. He recommended approval. **Motion by Haworth, seconded by Schulz, and unanimously carried, to proceed with quitclaim and accept easements as needed to accommodate irrigation facility.**

Consider approving General Manager Stroud's request to attend Special District Administration Seminar. Stroud said the cost including expenses is approximately \$1,500.00. **Motion by DeGroot, seconded by Haworth, and unanimously carried, to approve as requested.**

Consider authorizing an agreement with Pacific Data Services to "Re-District" the Director Divisions. Stein said the 1991 redistricting was done by Lew Garcia Davis, with Mr. Dennis Wann as the principal. Mr. Wann is now with Pacific Data Services and has agreed to do the work for \$9,700, the same price Lew Garcia Davis charged the District in 1991. Stein recommended approving the work with Pacific Data Services. **Motion by DeGroot, seconded by Schulz, and unanimously carried, to approve contracting with Pacific Data Services to do the 2001 re-districting at not to exceed price of \$9,700.**

Consider approving replacement of network server in the main office. Stroud said the District's computer network is currently using three servers. The updated system would replace the three existing servers with two new servers. Northern Digital verified that the proposed system from John Venegas of John A. Venegas Information Systems Consulting, will work with the SCADA computers and that the price was reasonable. The following letter is from Wayne Levitz at Northern Digital:

Robin,

I looked over the server info. I must be honest, I feel a bit awkward getting into someone else's deal. But it's your prerogative and you asked me, so here is my "opinion" and what I found.

The price appears to be OK. My initial thought is; they are not a mainstream box, ie Dell, Gateway, Compaq. Two, three or more years from now will they be around if you need parts albeit warranted. A warrantee is only as good as the viability of the organization behind it. OK, that being said, for the second server maybe it's a fair compromise, but if it were me, and I were going through the effort to upgrade/improve what I have, I'd put my primary App, accounting in your case, on the best box I could swing.

Secondly, again I know nothing of your Accounting app, but for a main priority server, I would at least want SCSI drives and in some sort of RAID config for HD failure protection. This will also dramatically improve performance. CPU speed is a distant second or third to HD performance.

We only deal in Dell Servers, so here are some configurations I put together in order of best solution;

~~1) Rackmount Power Edge 2500, Handling CPU 3.0 GHz, dual 6GB RAM, 512MB Cache, NO RAM, NO CD, NO floppy, On board SCSI, 2500, 4 tape drive, CD and floppy drives, 3yr 4hr response 24x7 onsite parts and labor. This thing is a Mercedes of Rackmount servers, by far the best thing you could use and what I would recommend. \$4553.00 ea.~~

~~2) Rackmount Power Edge 1550, Handling CPU 3.0 GHz, dual 6GB RAM, 512MB Cache, NO RAM, NO CD, NO floppy, On board SCSI, 2500, 4 tape drive, CD and floppy drives, 3yr 4hr response 24x7 onsite parts and labor. This is a excellent server, but has no internal Tape drive, (may be able to get one from Dell though,) and No Dual Pwr Supp. \$3370.00 ea.~~

~~3) Rackmount Power Edge 3500, Handling CPU 3.0 GHz, dual 6GB RAM, 512MB Cache, NO RAM, NO CD, NO floppy, On board SCSI, 2500, 4 tape drive, CD and floppy drives, 3yr 4hr response 24x7 onsite parts and labor. This is a good server, but has no internal Tape drive, (may be able to get one from Dell though,) No Dual Pwr Supp. No SCSI HD. \$2482.00 ea.~~

~~4) Desktop server 4th bay, almost the same as the #1 but with only RAID controller and no internal tape drive, because the case is take 6 HD and 6 floppy~~

It is available for \$225 more, but for 2500 for you and being a Dell PowerEdge 3500 2.5GHz, which has the 3500 is only got 12 servers, 8 are Dell Poweredges. I've not had one single problem with them. I just cannot say enough good about them, and Dells support. (We have upgraded and reconfigured a few. Dell's Server phone support has been VERY good.) I'd also insure my UPS is adequate / up to date. For servers you definitely want parachute shutdown for each.

Be very critical when you buy Quality you will never regret it! All the time in the life of the machine is spent for when it comes to not, if they can't get the part for two or three days, you have just spent more than was saved. Add to that, that these Dell units have a high probability that they will NEVER\* fail... what is that worth??? and you can continue the warranty past 3 years.

Let's just see how you and the board might be able to save a little by buying them directly yourself, or I may be able to get a discount for you...

*\* of themselves. Of course, user error, errant software, viruses etc. are always an separate issue.*

Hope this helps, -Wayne

Stroud recommended approval. **Motion by Haworth, seconded by Kamper, and unanimously carried, to approve the purchase and installation of two new servers by John A Venegas Information Systems Consulting at a cost not to exceed \$16,200.**

Presentation by Mark Allen of Marlin Company of their safety awareness programs. After Mr. Allen's presentation it was **moved by Schulz, seconded by Roos, and unanimously carried, to approve a two year agreement with Marlin Company at a cost of \$2,128.20 per year.**

General Manager's report:

Stroud reported that through August 25<sup>th</sup> we have used 148,500 acre feet. The Board asked the General Manager to look at options to improve utilization of District water and report back with his recommendations.

Stroud reported that the Judge in the South County Water Treatment Plant Project had ruled in favor of the District.

Stroud asked the Directors if they would cook at the annual safety meeting again this year. They unanimously agreed to participate and cook the lunch for all the employees.

Stroud read the following Encroachment Agreements into the record:

Steven Chernicky, APN's 208-490-01 & 208-500-43, to encroach upon Lateral Rfb easement with a swimming pool.

Sean Kahler APN 202-360-32, to encroach upon Lateral T easement with a swimming pool.

Coleen Gorgas, APN 257-260-11, to encroach upon Lateral Vdd easement with a wood fence.

Stein asked the Board if they had any problem with employees donating their sick leave or vacation to an employee, who is having complications with her pregnancy, and has no sick leave or vacation leave left. The Board said they have no problem. No action was taken.

President Kamper called for closed session relative to litigation matters. Attorney Emrick announced the Board will discuss items a & b in closed session.

- a) Conference with legal counsel, anticipated litigation, Institution of litigation. Gov. Code, S. 54956.9. Two cases.
- b) Conference with legal counsel, existing litigation. Gov. Code, S. 54956.9 (a). Sierra Club vs. SSJID.

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

There being no further business to come before the Board it was moved by DeGroot, seconded by Schulz, and unanimously carried, to adjourn to September 11, 2001.

ATTEST:

John Stein, Assistant Secretary

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