

**MINUTES FOR THE DECEMBER 10, 2019
REGULAR MEETING OF THE SSJID BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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

DIRECTORS: KAMPER HOLBROOK HOLMES ROOS WESTSTEYN
ABSENT: NONE

Also present were General Manager, Peter M. Rietkerk; General Counsel, Mia Brown; Engineering Department Manager, Forrest Killingsworth; and Clerk of the Board, Danielle Barney.

Public Comment - None

CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Approval of Warrants in the amount of \$595,372.15; Accounts Payable Wires in the amount of \$555,198.78; and Payroll dated November 22, 2019, November 30, 2019, and December 6, 2019 in the amount of \$475,949.71.
- B. Approval of the regular Board Meeting Minutes of November 12, 2019
- C. Approval of Consent to South San Joaquin Irrigation District's Entry of Property to Read and to Maintain Flow Meter of David L. Roos and Gina M. Roos, Trustees, 20450 Van Allen Road, Escalon
- D. Approval of Consent to South San Joaquin Irrigation District's Entry of Property to Read and to Maintain Flow Meter of Johnnie R. Rivara and Velma C. Rivara, Trustees, 17110 E. French Camp Road, Ripon
- E. Approval of Master Encroachment Agreement with Pacific Bell Telephone, dba AT&T California
- F. Approval of PG&E Encroachment Request to Install a 1-inch Gas Line Service Across Lateral "A" to Serve 26460 Mahon Road, Escalon
- G. Approval of Encroachment Permit Request from City of Manteca at Lateral Tbb, Lateral Z, and Well #101 Discharge Pipeline

Director Holbrook noted an amendment to be made to page 2, Charles Galea Report, Bullet 3:

- The final round of quarterly recovery cleans, on the membranes, are being conducted this month. *Corrected from reading "...are being conducting this month."*

MOTION: A motion was made by Director Roos and seconded by Director Weststeyn to approve the Consent Calendar as amended.

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NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

COMMUNICATIONS

Director Holbrook attended the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) 2019 Fall Conference, which was held in San Diego on December 3-6, 2019. Highlighted activities and/or topics at the conference included:

- ACWA/Joint Powers Insurance Authority (JPIA) Board of Directors' Meeting – December 2, 2019: Discussion included:
 - Captive insurance investment companies which could yield up to 7% on the dollar: Director Holbrook suggested to Mr. Bere Lindley, SSJID Assistant General Manager, that this could be a potential opportunity for SSJID. Informational literature will be forwarded to Mr. Lindley by Director Roos.
 - ACWA Election for Vice President: Candidates were Ms. Sarah Palmer, whose qualifications included serving as ACWA Region 5 Vice Chair Zone 7 Water Agency; and, Ms. Pam Tobin, whose qualifications included serving as Director of the San Juan Water Agency. Ms. Tobin was elected as Vice President of ACWA and will assume her responsibilities for a 2-year term, starting January 1, 2020.
- Jurassic Parliament Session: Explained parliamentary procedures for conducting board meetings, rules of order, facilitating discussion, etc.
- CalCom Energy Display: Specializes in solar energy solutions for agricultural businesses, water districts, and other public agencies. Director Holbrook provided an informational handout to Mr. Ed Erisman, Water Treatment Plant (WTP) Manager.

Director Holbrook attended the Tri-Dam Employee Appreciation Dinner, which was held on December 5 in Sonora. It was an excellent event including introduction of Mr. Jarom Zimmerman, the new General Manager of the Tri-Dam Project.

Director Weststeyn attended the Oakdale Irrigation District's (OID) Tunnel Dedication Ceremony on November 16, which included a tunnel tour and luncheon.

Director Weststeyn attended the San Joaquin Tributaries Authority (SJTA) Commission Meeting on November 18.

Director Weststeyn participated in a tour of the Beardsley Afterbay Project on November 26. Also in attendance were Director Holbrook; Mr. Peter Rietkerk, SSJID General Manager; and, Mr. Forrest Killingsworth, SSJID Engineering Department Manager. Following the Beardsley tour, the group visited the Joint Supply Canal (JSC) Rockslope project site. Viewing the construction being conducted at both project sites proved to be extremely interesting.

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Director Weststeyn attended the ACWA 2019 Fall Conference on December 3-6. Highlighted activities and/or topics at the conference included:

- Public Safety Power Shutoff: Director Weststeyn expressed opinion that SSJID has a good emergency preparedness plan in place in the event of a power shutoff.
- Groundwater and Bay Delta Forum

Director Holmes attended the 1st Annual Tri-Dam Employee Appreciation Dinner on December 5. He stated it was a well-attended event, and expressed thanks to Mr. Jeff Shields for his work as Interim General Manager of Tri-Dam.

Director Holmes will attend the Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority meeting on December 11. He added that good progress is being made on the Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP).

Director Holmes wished all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Director Roos attended the OID Tunnel Dedication Ceremony on November 16. It was good to spend time with OID staff, and dignitaries both past and present.

Director Roos attended the SJTA Commission Meeting on November 18.

Director Roos attended the ACWA 2019 Fall Conference on December 3-6. Highlighted activities and/or topics at the conference included:

- Citrus Heights Water District: A major infrastructure of 271 miles of underground pipes to over 19,500 service connections.
- Breakfast meeting keynote speaker topic: Providing Water in Israel
- The next ACWA President will be Mr. Steve LaMar, whose past experience in water policy and planning in northern California will be beneficial to the region.
- SJTA Reception on December 4: A good networking event providing opportunity to share information and/or differing viewpoints on current relevant issues.

Director Holbrook commented that he attended an informative ACWA session on cybersecurity. The session demonstrated a hacker “entering” a company’s electronic filing system through the printer/copy machine. Another security breach occurred from information publicly viewed on an employee’s identification badge.

Director Kamper reported that he and Mr. Rietkerk met the new Tri-Dam General Manager, Mr. Jarom Zimmerman, at an Introductory Meeting on December 2. Director Kamper stated it was a good trip building new working relationships.

Ed Erisman, Water Treatment Plant (WTP) Manager:

- On December 12, Mr. Tahir Monsoor, California State Water Resources Control Board – Drinking Water Division, will be conducting the annual inspection at the WTP. No issues are anticipated.

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- On December 12, the WTP will be conducting the first of two (2) half-day safety training sessions covering many Cal OSHA required topics. Charles Galea contacted the City of Modesto Fire Department (MFD), who is now providing the fire and emergency coverage for the WTP. The MFD will attend both days of training and be given a tour of the plant to become familiar with the on-site hazards. In addition, MFD will provide a short fire safety presentation with a live demonstration of proper fire extinguisher use.
- The following issues have occurred at the Solar Farm:
 - The first issue is a burned-out motor in one of the thin film tracking systems, which will be repaired in-house.
 - The second issue is a failed inverter. Research has concluded that repairs could cost as much as buying a new unit. Mr. Charles Galea, WTP Chief Plant Operator, contacted vendors and identified companies to bid on inspection of the solar farm and provide a report with recommendations on the current status and how to move forward. EnPro Solutions was the lowest bid at just under \$8,000, and will provide the best options for the failed inverter.
- Replacement filter modules from Suez were delivered and installed without incident.

Director Holmes inquired on the status of the interior re-coating of the storage tanks. Mr. Erisman replied that the project has been completed in-house without incident. Tasks included spot repairs, and saw-cutting into the concrete so the patches could adhere.

Bere Lindley, Assistant General Manager:

- Mr. Lindley spoke at the Manteca Rotary, on November 14, to discuss SSJID's Retail Electric Project. He stated it was a friendly audience and the topic was well received. The Manteca Bulletin published an article covering his presentation.
- Mr. Lindley spoke at the Ripon Chamber of Commerce, on November 22, to discuss government relations. Also in attendance was Dylan George, Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) – Public Relations, which initiated friendly banter of conflicting views discussed.
- Mr. Lindley and Mr. Rietkerk are participating in a bi-weekly conference call meeting to discuss public power options. Participants also include representatives of Valley Clean Energy of Yolo County, San Francisco Public Utilities Commission, and Nevada Irrigation District. The last call-in meeting included discussion of San Jose's interest in forming a cooperative electrical utility.
- Mr. Lindley; Mr. Rietkerk; Ms. Mia Brown, SSJID General Counsel; Ms. Robin Giuntoli, SSJID Accounting and Customer Service Manager; and Marcia Herrmann Design, Inc., have been working on the SSJID website redesign and a new website for retail electric.
- Mr. Lindley has been working on the SSJID 2020 Budget. A team of fifteen (15) SSJID employees were integral in analyzing, preparing, and finalizing the 2020 budget, which will be presented in Agenda Item #7 of today's meeting.
- The Electronic Document project is moving forward. At each committee meeting, new tasks are assigned and completed by the next month's meeting to bring this project to fruition.
- Mr. Lindley has been working on a draft letter to PG&E in response to their rejection letter received regarding SSJID's offer to acquire retail electric facilities.

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Joe Hasten, Irrigation Services Supervisor:

Water Department

- The elevation at Woodward is 195.65. Mr. Frank Avila, SSJID Irrigation Operations Manager, has expressed concern with the amount of water leaking through the bypass gate. He discussed this issue with Turlock Irrigation District (TID) and had them send personnel to try to move the gate in an effort to slow the leakage. This action proved unsuccessful at resolving the leakage. TID has asked to have a window of 5 days to dewater the pen stock and allow time to check the gate seal and the frame, which Mr. Avila will coordinate with Mr. Rietkerk, the WTP, and TID. In the interim, Mr. Avila is requesting a postponement for the next change from the upper to the lower WTP inlet, moving this project to the end of the water season next year. He is confident that there will be enough water storage in Woodward Reservoir to supply the WTP until March 1, 2020, despite the current leakage. This issue will be resolved upon further discussion between Mr. Avila and Mr. Rietkerk.
- All available personnel are working on ongoing projects.
- The Pipe Crawling crews have completed Division #1 maintenance and are commencing work on Division #5. Completion of Division #5 maintenance is anticipated for December 13, and Division #2 maintenance is tentatively scheduled to occur on December 16.

Construction Department

- The Shotcrete crew is working on the Lateral T. Wet weather has slowed progress, but project completion is anticipated in 21 working days from the date of today's meeting.
- The Pipe Installation crew has completed two (2) small pipe replacement projects. The first project was 100 feet in the YA-lateral connection, and the second project was 400 feet on the JA-lateral. Currently, crews are working on the V-line on Melton Road, replacing 1,050 feet of deteriorated pipe.
- Construction crews assisted the drill crew on the JSC.
- Construction crews have begun building the float boxes on the Lateral OA.

Shop Department

- Shop crews are very busy with fleet maintenance and fabrication tasks.
- A Kubota Rough Terrain Vehicle (RTV) has been added to the District Fleet. Mr. Avila utilized the vehicle at the JSC to move materials needed for work crews. The RTV performed well and proved reliable to move in terrain where other equipment could not.
- Repairs for the MDC 100/1 gear drive for Drop #1 were completed in-house. The Shop crew will reinstall the repaired gear drive the week of December 16. The Shop Department and the Control Room Department demonstrated good team work to resolve this problem.
- Mr. James Ferguson, SSJID Shop Supervisor, facilitated the final inspection of the new locker room by San Joaquin County (SJC). Staff has moved into the structure, utilizing the building to dress for work assignments and store their personal protective equipment. On December 11, a building safety meeting and official opening is scheduled.

Mr. Hasten stated that he and Mr. Avila would like to acknowledge Mr. Ferguson on a job well done for his work and commitment as the lead in the New Locker Room project. His coordination efforts with multiple agencies has resulted in a proper facility for the Team to use as their changing room.

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MDC/Telemetry Department

- Control Room Operators are continuing to work with the Box crew from the Construction Department. They have finished with the headwalls for the Lopac gate on the U-ditch. The gate arrived on December 6 and is being stored behind the cement building in the District yard, awaiting installation. Currently, work is being conducted on the Drop #13 trash rack.
- Crews have started the rebuilding of Drop #14, following damages incurred from a car accident on River Road. The site has been re-secured with fencing. The California Highway Patrol has no new information to report on the incident.

Forrest Killingsworth, Engineering Department Manager:

Beardsley Afterbay Project

- Work involving grouting the voids between the sheet pile and the end walls is scheduled for December 11.
- A proposal, from Condor Earth, will be presented to the Tri-Dam Board on January 16. This proposal is to assist with 100% design documents for Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the Afterbay Maintenance Project.

Canyon Tunnel

- The supplemental bore hole got underway on December 3, despite inclement weather. The District's Maintenance staff, along with the use of some heavy duty equipment, assisted in getting the driller's vehicles unstruck which helped get the project started.
- All activities have been coordinated with the landowner to ensure his satisfaction with the project and his willingness to cooperate.

Joint Supply Canal (JSC) Rock Slope Maintenance Project

- The JSC Rockslope Maintenance Project is well underway. The contractor centered most of their efforts in the area just downstream of Copper Tunnel. Material was removed by scaling the hillside with scaling bars and pneumatic air bags.
- Scaling was completed the week ending December 6. The contractor will spend their remaining weeks installing rock bolts and applying shotcrete.
- The contractor plans to be demobilized by January 3.

Woodward Reservoir – Annual Inspection of Dams

- On December 9, Mr. Killingsworth; Mr. Walt Luihn, SSJID Environmental Compliance and Safety Officer; and Mr. Lloyd Wayman, SSJID Telemetry Systems Supervisor, met with Mr. Mike Sutliff, Inspector from the Department of Safety of Dams (DSOD), to perform the annual dam inspection at Woodward Reservoir.
- The three main outlet gates were all successfully operated and exercised through their full range of motion.
- The inspector did not note any significant observations while onsite.
- The DSOD is behind with their inspections reports. The 2018 annual inspection report has yet to be received by SSJID.

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- All the pipeline has been installed.

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- Two concrete control boxes are left to be constructed.
- The contractor must reach project completion by December 31, 2019 to be eligible for pipeline reimbursement from the District. The concrete control boxes may not be finished by the deadline. District inspectors are keeping a close eye on construction and are documenting daily activities.

Engineering Technician 1 / GIS Job Classification

- The Engineering Department filled the Engineering Technician position with an internal employee from Water Operations. The position was awarded to Anthony Podesto.
- Mr. Podesto started in Engineering on November 25 and is eager to take the lead in managing GIS data for the District.

Brandon Nakagawa, Water Resources Coordinator:

- Mr. Nakagawa and Director Holmes will attend the ESJGWA Advisory Committee and Board meetings on December 11. Many of the other Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSA) of the ESJGWA have also adopted the GSP and appear to be on-schedule to meet the January 31, 2020 deadline. The GSP can be viewed online at www.esjgroundwater.org.
- Mr. Nakagawa attended the ACWA 2019 Fall Conference on December 3-6, 2019. He suggested to the Board that it could be beneficial to extract more value from ACWA by being more involved. Mr. Nakagawa will work with Mr. Rietkerk to develop a list of recommended ACWA committees. Mr. Nakagawa also shared one additional conference highlight regarding cybersecurity threats: ACWA JPIA retains personnel information of its members as a function of providing employee medical insurance. A staged exercise demonstrated a mock security breach was attained through ACWA JPIA employee email.
- Mr. Nakagawa will attend the Greater San Joaquin Regional Water Coordinating Committee Meeting on December 18. Discussion will include governance issues and how to allocate the \$6 million in IRWMP funding secured by SJC.
- Mr. Nakagawa stated that the San Joaquin Farm Bureau has canceled its Board meeting scheduled for December 24th.

Peter Rietkerk, General Manager:

- Mr. Rietkerk announced that registration is open for the 53rd Annual Mid-Pacific Water Users' Conference, held on January 22-24, 2020, in Reno, NV. Pre-registration rates are good to January 10. Directors interested in attending were encouraged to contact Ms. Barney.
- Mr. Rietkerk announced the San Joaquin Farm Bureau's 29th Annual Wine Tasting event to be held on March 19, 2020. Directors interested in attending were encouraged to contact Ms. Barney as the number of Directors attending will influence the level of sponsorship participation.
- On December 11, SJC Public Works is hosting the McHenry Avenue "Corridor Improvements Completion" Ribbon Cutting Ceremony, at 2:00 p.m., at the McHenry Avenue and River Road intersection. Speakers will include Assemblymember Heath Flora, SJC Supervisor Miguel Villapudua, SJC Supervisor Chuck Winn, Stanislaus County Supervisor Terry Withrow, California Transportation Commission Commissioner Paul Van Konynenburg, and SJC Public Works Director Kris Balaji. Mr. Rietkerk will be attending.

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- Mr. Rietkerk circulated, to the Board for viewing, multiple cards and notes received from community organizations and/or schools thanking SSJID for their sponsorship donations for events and outreach efforts.
- The Manteca Bulletin ran a front-page story on SSJID's recent donations of trucks to local volunteer organizations Manteca Fire Department's CERT (Community Emergency Response Team), and Manteca Police Department's SHARP (Seniors Helping Area Residents and Police).
- Mr. Rietkerk and Mr. Ferguson participated in the City of Manteca's Christmas Parade on December 7. The Shop Department did a great job decorating SSJID's parade entry this year, which will also make an appearance in the upcoming Ripon and Escalon parades. A photo of SSJID's holiday decorated bucket truck was included in the GM Report.
- Mr. Rietkerk, Board Directors, and staff attended the ACWA Conference on December 3-6, 2019, in San Diego. Mr. Rietkerk attended workshops on Groundwater Production Allocations, SGMA, and a panel on California energy issues.
- President Kamper and Mr. Rietkerk met with Jarom Zimmerman at Tri-Dam, on December 2, for an introductory meeting on his first day of employment as General Manager. Discussion topics included a general overview of SSJID, district and Tri-Dam operations, and coordination between OID and SSJID on Tri-Dam projects.

Retail Electric

- Coordination continues with Marcia Herrmann Design Group (MHD) to develop SSJID's website and social media effort.
- Coordination continues with the District's legislative consultant on upcoming bills, including a bill contemplating and enhancing municipalization in California.
- In an attempt to bring awareness to Governor Newsom of the community support behind SSJID's retail electric project, a 4-foot tall holiday card was created and will be signed by the residents of Escalon, Manteca and Ripon. Mr. Rietkerk, along with invited dignitaries, will hand-deliver the card to the Governor's office.

Director Roos exited the meeting at 10:17 a.m.

- SSJID will have outreach booths set up at the Ripon Holiday Parade on December 12, and at the Escalon Holiday Fair on December 15. The retail electric holiday card will be on display for residents to sign.
- SSJID held a Retail Electric Project meeting on November 19, 2019 to update the project team (including district staff and legal consultants) on project status, and develop strategy moving forward for the district.

City Council Meetings of Ripon and Escalon

- SSJID staff and Director Holmes attended both the Escalon and Ripon City Council Meetings on November 12, and November 18, respectively. Mr. Nakagawa presented on the South San Joaquin Groundwater Sustainability Agency's (SSJGSA) participation in the development of a local GSP as part of the ESJGWA, and solicited council recommendations to adopt the plan. SSJID was well received by both the Escalon and Ripon City Councils. Mr. Rietkerk commended Mr. Nakagawa on his efforts.

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- Escalon’s City Council also heard two other items that may involve SSJID in the future. The first was approval of a Proposition 218 process to increase water rates to cover maintenance and capital projects, including a connection to the South County Water Supply Project. The second was a study of the City’s wastewater treatment plant and recommendations for future projects including a recycled water project that contemplates blending recycled water into the SSJID main canal.

ACTION CALENDAR

Item #2 – Consider Amendment to Developers Agreement with George Reed, Inc., at the Bellino Ranch Quarry Site in Escalon (APN 247-230-09)

Item to be discussed after closed-session.

Item #3 – Consider Approval of Procedure for Leasing District Property at Austin Road and Louise Avenue (APNs 208-070-24, 35 & 36)

Mr. Rietkerk addressed the Board regarding the current agricultural lease with Van Groningen & Sons (Lessee), which is scheduled to expire on December 31, 2019. The Lessee is not pursuing a renewal of said lease. The land is a 33.4-acre parcel of agricultural property located at the northeast corner of Louise Avenue and Austin Road. Staff is requesting Board approval to lease the District-owned property implementing procedures listing in Item #3 of today’s agenda packet.

MOTION: A motion was made by Director Holbrook and seconded by Director Holmes to authorize District staff to implement procedures, as listed in Item #3 of today’s agenda packet, in letting the District-owned property by lease.

The motion passed 4 to 0 by the following vote:

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

Item #4 – Consider Approval of Resolution No. 19-16-P Authorizing the Disposition of Surplus Real Property (30-foot strip of land along Louise Avenue, Manteca)

Ms. Brown addressed the Board regarding a District-owned 30’ wide strip of land along Louise Avenue in Manteca. Raymus Homes (Developer) has approached the District with an offer to purchase the subject property, and dedicate it to the City of Manteca in order to satisfy a condition imposed for the Developer’s “Crivello Estates #2” project. Ms. Brown further explained that this property had previously been Board approved for disposal during Closed Session - Real Property Negotiations, pending acceptance of the District’s price and terms. The resolution is to complete the transaction, and approve the transfer of ownership by Quitclaim Deed.

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**SOUTH SAN JOAQUIN IRRIGATION DISTRICT
RESOLUTION NO. 19-16-P**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE BY QUITCLAIM
OF REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, the SOUTH SAN JOAQUIN IRRIGATION DISTRICT, hereinafter referred to as “District,” is the title holder of a portion of real property located in the City of Manteca and described generally as a strip of land approximately thirty feet in width, and more particularly described in Exhibit “A” (“Subject Property”); and,

WHEREAS, Oleander, LP (“Buyer”) seeks to pay to the District, the purchase price for the Subject Property, which will be dedicated to the City of Manteca; and,

WHEREAS, the District’s fee interest in the Subject Property is no longer necessary for District purposes and is surplus to its needs, and the Board of Directors finds it is in the best interest of the District to sell the Subject Property; and,

WHEREAS, the sale of the Subject Property is not subject to Government Code section 54222 because the Subject Property is not suitable for any of the purposes described in that statute due to its size and configuration, and the property is being directly conveyed to the City, another public entity; and,

WHEREAS, the sale of the Subject Property to Buyer upon the terms described below is for adequate valuable consideration under applicable law, and,

WHEREAS, the Board approves the terms of the sale, which are generally as follows:

1. Purchase price of Forty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$45,000.00)
2. The sale of the Subject Property is “as-is,” without warranties.
3. District’s title to the Subject Property will be conveyed directly to the City of Manteca by Quitclaim Deed, title will not pass to Buyer.
4. Buyer will pay all costs related to transfer, including but not limited to, escrow costs, title fees and recording fees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the South San Joaquin Irrigation District that:

1. The foregoing recitals are found to be true.
2. The President and Secretary are authorized to execute a Quitclaim Deed on behalf of the District disposing of the District’s interest in the Subject Property to the City of Manteca on the terms described above.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 10th day of December 2019 by the following roll call vote:

MOTION: A motion was made by Director Holmes and seconded by Director Weststeyn to approve Resolution No. 19-16-P, authorizing the disposition of surplus real property owned by the District by Quitclaim Deed to the City of Manteca.

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

Item #5 – Consider Approval of the South San Joaquin Irrigation District 2020 Investment Policy

Mr. Lindley addressed the Board regarding the annual approval of the District’s investment policy. He stated that the District’s Investment Policy lapses on December 31, 2019, and the Board’s appointment of the Treasurer (Bere Lindley) as the District’s Investment Officer also expires on December 31, 2019. Mr. Lindley discussed minor changes in credit rating requirements for mortgage back investments, which must be reflected in the investment policy language.

MOTION: A motion was made by Director Holbrook and seconded by Director Weststeyn to approve the SSJID’s Investment Policy for 2020, which will also reappoint the Treasurer as the Investment Officer for the year 2020.

The motion passed 4 to 0 by the following vote:

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

Item #6 – Consider Approval of the South San Joaquin Irrigation District 5-Year Plan of Major Expenditures for January 2020 – December 2024

Ms. Sarah Bloom, SSJID Management Accountant, presented the Board with the annually updated Five Year Plan of Major Expenditures (Five Year Plan or Plan). This presentation coincides with the District’s annual budgeting process, and is designed to provide context of how the Capital Budget fits into the plans of the District and properly plan for projects. Ms. Bloom clarified that Board approval of the Plan does not grant approval for projects or expenditures. Staff and the Board may decide to alter this Plan during the mid-year update and again at the next annual adoption.

Ms. Bloom presented the six (6) sections of the Plan: Administration, Irrigation, SCADA, Shop, Solar Farm, and Water Treatment Plant. Each section was divided into two (2) sub-sections: Capital and Non-capital. Director Holbrook commended Ms. Bloom on a job well-done.

MOTION: A motion was made by Director Weststeyn and seconded by Director Holbrook to adopt the Five Year Plan of Major Expenditures for the years 2020-2024.

The motion passed 4 to 0 by the following vote:

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

Item #7 – Consider Approval of the South San Joaquin Irrigation District 2020 Budget

Mr. Lindley presented the Board with the proposed 2020 Budget. He provided detailed explanations of the key factors of the budget analysis; debt service coverage; major budget objectives; significant differences from the previous budgets; and the capital expenditures budget.

Director Roos rejoined the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

Director Holbrook complimented Mr. Lindley on an excellent presentation. Director Holmes thanked the staff for their contributions in the budget process.

MOTION: A motion was made by Director Holbrook and seconded by Director Holmes to adopt the proposed SSJID 2020 Budget.

The motion passed 5 to 0 by the following vote:

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

The Board took a short break at 12:00 p.m. and reconvened to open session.

Item #8 – Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Annexation

Mr. Rietkerk addressed the Board and provided a detailed explanation of the District’s Annexation Policy, and recent District annexation history which have included: Water Service Agreements with G&E te Velde Orchards (te Velde), and Robert Miller; San Joaquin Local Agency Formation Commission (SJLAFCo) interaction on a revised Sphere of Influence for SSJID; and, recent inquiries regarding the potential annexation of approximately 467 acres in Area D.

Staff is requesting Board authorization and direction in threefold as listed below:

1. Staff recommends that the Board authorize and direct staff to resubmit the applications for G&E te Velde Orchards, and Robert Miller to SJLAFCo and initiate the annexation process for the te Velde and Miller properties, subject to all current agreements and the District’s Annexation Policy.
2. Staff is recommending that the Board authorize and direct staff to process pre-applications for annexation received prior to February 14, 2017 and authorize staff to issue notice of a six-month deadline, consistent for each application and irrespective of original pre-application

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date, by which to submit a full-application and retain the annexation fee applicable when the pre-application was submitted.

3. Staff is asking for Board direction on the District's administration of future annexation requests.

MOTION: A motion was made by Director Holbrook and seconded by Director Holmes to: 1) Resubmit the applications for G&E te Velde Orchards, and Robert Miller to SJLAFCo and initiate the annexation process for the te Velde and Miller properties, subject to all current agreements and the District's Annexation Policy; and, 2) Process pre-applications for annexation received prior to February 14, 2017 and authorize staff to issue notice of a six-month deadline, consistent for each application and irrespective of original pre-application date, by which to submit a full-application and retain the annexation fee applicable when the pre-application was submitted.

The motion passed 5 to 0 by the following vote:

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

Public comment, from Mr. Martin Harris of Terra Land Group, was heard regarding his properties and business interests and his concern of San Joaquin River overflows. He expressed confidence that SSJID could be of assistance in creating infrastructure for flood protection.

Public comment, from Mr. Gary Barton of Barton Ranch, was heard regarding his pre-application for annexation which was submitted three (3) years ago. Per the Board's approval, he is grateful to move forward in the annexation process. Mr. Barton also expressed concern with Tier 2 status of annexed properties and is hopeful that, should water ever become in short supply, the District would be able to provide water.

MOTION: A motion was made by Director Holmes and seconded by Director Holbrook to continue the moratoriums on all future annexation requests until completion and adoption of the Water Master Plan, which will direct staff on the ability and interest to accommodate future annexations.

The motion passed 5 to 0 by the following vote:

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

Item #9 – Financial Statements for October 2019

Mr. Lindley had no planned report to the Board but was available for questions. The Financial Statements for October 2019 were included in the agenda packet, Item #9.

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Item #10 – Investment Report for October 2019

Mr. Lindley had no planned report to the Board but was available for questions. The Investment Report for October 2019 was included in the agenda packet, Item #10.

It was announced that all items in closed session would be discussed. The Board took a break at 1:00 p.m. and convened to closed session at 1:15 p.m.

Item #11 – Closed Session

11. a. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Government Code 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
 - 2 cases
- c. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation
Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9
 - 4 cases

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STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD*

County of Tuolumne Superior Court
Case No. CV62094

SSJID vs. PG&E

Appeal from Judgment of Dismissal Pending:
In the Court of Appeal for the State of California, Third Appellate District
Case No. C086319
Superior Court for San Joaquin County
Case No. STK-CV-UED-2016-0006638

PG&E vs. San Joaquin LAFCo; SSJID, Real Party in Interest

In the Court of Appeal for the State of California, Third Appellate District
Case No. C086008
Superior Court for San Joaquin County
Case No. STK-CV-UJR-2015-0001266

SSJID vs. Lakeview Ranch Partners

Superior Court for Stanislaus County
Case No. 2028441

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- d. Labor Negotiations
 - California Government Code Section 54957.6
 - Agency Negotiator: General Manager
 - Employee Organization: IBEW Local 1245

- e. Public Employment
 - Government Code Section 54957
 - Title: General Manager

The Board reconvened to open session at 3:35 p.m.

Disclosure of reportable actions taken in Closed Session, pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.1: There were no reportable actions taken in closed-session.

Item #2 – Consider Amendment to Developers Agreement with George Reed, Inc., at the Bellino Ranch Quarry Site in Escalon (APN 247-230-09)

Upon discussion among the Board, a decision was made to table this agenda item until January 2020.

Item #12 – ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: A motion was made by Director Holbrook and seconded by Director Weststeyn to adjourn the meeting at 3:40 p.m.

ATTEST:

Danielle Barney, Clerk of the Board