

Manteca, California
December 11, 2001

The Board of Directors of the South San Joaquin Irrigation District met in regular 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 Stroud, General Counsel 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, as submitted, the Consent Calendar items.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. SSJID warrants of \$288,769.09 and payrolls of \$175,648.94. Check number 31024 to DSS Engineering Contractors, in the amount of \$38,110.00 was voided because it was made out to the wrong payee.
- B. Regular adjourned Board Meeting Minutes of November 26, 2001.

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

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 11th day of December 2001 by the following roll call vote.

Ayes: DeGroot Haworth Kamper Roos Schulz

Consider approving request by Manteca Unified School District to purchase property, owned in fee title by the District. Bologna said the School District is asking to purchase the easement, and asking us to sign a quit claim deed for 72/100 acres of land upon receipt of \$15,243.12 which is 25% of the appraised value per acre. Stroud said the State pays for land and we should look at our policy for the sale of land. **After discussion it was moved by DeGroot, seconded by Schulz, and unanimously carried, declaring the property is surplus to the needs of the District, and to authorize execution of a quit claim deed for the strip of land the District owns that is located on School District property, consistent with existing District policy.**

Consider approving contract with Thompson-Hysell for specified professional services to plan relocation of Lateral "V" in the Ripon area. Gilton said Thompson-Hysell will evaluate two routes, and make a recommendation as to the preferable route. Cost for the work not to exceed \$14,800. Gilton recommends authorizing the hiring of Thompson-Hysell and execution of the agreement with them. **Motion by DeGroot, seconded by Schulz, and unanimously carried, to approve the**

agreement with Thompson-Hysell and authorize execution of same not to exceed amount of \$14,800.

Approve contracts with Northern Digital for radio path and signal strength study for \$4,395.00, and approve installation of monitoring facilities at 15 District drains with a cost of \$483,736.93. Stroud recommended approval of both contracts with Northern Digital and authorize execution of the agreements. **Motion by Schulz, seconded by DeGroot, to approve the agreements and authorize execution of the agreements with Northern Digital in the amounts of \$4,395.00, and \$483,736.93.**

Motion Carried, 4 Ayes, 1 No, with Director Haworth Voting No

Presentation of redistricting of the Directors divisions based on the 2000 census. Wann showed the Board some options and various changes he felt needed to be made. No action was taken.

Managers' reports:

Stein told the Board that, relative to uniforms for employees and supervisors in the maintenance and water departments, he was going to order two colors of shirts for the supervisors, light blue and gray, and one color for the general unit employees, white with gray pinstripes. Both units will have charcoal pants.

Emrick reported that the work at the Valley Home Siphon is scheduled to be completed by December 15th. He said the siphon needs to remain dry 7 days after the work is complete for proper curing of the compound applied.

Stroud reported that two letters were sent to Evert Achterberg advising the corrective action that needed to be taken. He was to have given the District a plan by October 1, 2001 and completed the approved work by December 1, 2001 or his valves would be removed. He failed to give us a plan and only pulled two temporary levees. Since Mr. Achterberg did not comply, District crews removed the valves and put vents on the pipeline.

Stroud said that he and Grant Kreinberg met with the Modesto Bee, Manteca Bulletin and the Tracy Enterprise relative to the current status of the Water Treatment Plant Project. Both the Bee and the Enterprise offered to allow us an "op ed" piece up to 800 words.

Stroud said relative to additional water being transferred to SEWD that we are close to an agreement and he will submit that to the Board when completed.

Stroud said relative to Retail Power, Chevron Energy Services will be here to meet with us on January 4, 2002 to talk about the economics of our entering the retail power business. By the January 22nd meeting we should have a draft of the business plan. Director Kamper asked that we have Lon House of ACWA review the plan.

Stroud said Ron Morrow noticed a leak at Woodward Reservoir due to a broken brass plate at the gate. Also, a slab of concrete on the face of the dam is broken out. We will need to lower the water to repair both. We will try to coordinate the work with the Surface Water Project to avoid any negative impact on the District's landowners.

Directors' reports:

Schulz asked staff to look at the ACWA magazine article relative to water purchases/transfers.

President Kamper called for closed session relative to litigation matters, personnel matters, and labor update. General Counsel Emrick said the Board will discuss items a) and b) in closed session. Upon returning from closed session, Emrick announced there was no reportable action taken in closed session.

- a) Conference with real property negotiators. Property; Stanislaus County Assessor's APN 002-01-20. Agency negotiator: John Stein. Negotiating parties: Steve Kistler and SSJID. Under negotiation: Contract price and terms of payment.
- b) Conference with legal counsel, anticipated litigation. Initiation of litigation, Gov. Code, S. 54956.9, two cases.

There being no further business to come before the Board it was moved by Haworth, seconded by Roos, and unanimously carried, to adjourn to a Special Meeting December 20, 2001 at 7:30 a.m. due to the fact that our regular meeting would be on Christmas Day.

ATTEST:

John Stein, Assistant Secretary

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