

**MINUTES FOR THE APRIL 26, 2022
REGULAR MEETING OF THE SSJID BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The Board of Directors of the South San Joaquin Irrigation District (SSJID) met in person in regular session in the District Boardroom at 9:00 a.m., with public access provided via the online Zoom meeting platform. Director Holmes called the meeting to order and led the flag salute. Upon roll-call the following members were noted present:

DIRECTORS: HOLBROOK HOLMES KAMPER SPYKSMA 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 Checks in the amount of \$525,211.82; Accounts Payable Wires in the amount of \$515,441.53; and Payroll dated April 8, 2022 in the amount of \$245,008.46, April 22, 2022 in the amount of \$252,866.38, and April 23, 2022 in the amount of \$5,080.38.
- B. Approval of the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of April 12, 2022
- C. Approval of Consent to SSJID’s Entry of Property to Read and to Maintain Flow Meter, APN 245-340-35
- D. Approve Quitclaim of Existing Easement and Grant of New Easement for Lateral Wc and Brum Property, APN 228-150-42

Director Weststeyn addressed Mr. Forrest Killingsworth, SSJID Engineering Department Manager, regarding the quitclaim of the existing District easement in question, and inquired on status of the adjoining properties. Mr. Killingsworth responded that this is a unique circumstance and the quitclaim is only for the portion of property owned by Paul and Ashlee Brum, APN 228-150-42.

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

The motion passed 5 to 0 by the following vote:

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

COMMUNICATIONS

Item #1 – Directors’ Reports

Director Holbrook reported that he did not attend the San Joaquin County (SJC) Advisory Water Commission (AWC) meeting on April 20, or the Greater SJC Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Project Oversight Committee meeting on April 21, due to a miscommunication received regarding cancellation of the meetings.

Director Weststeyn reported that he attended the following meetings:

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- AWC meeting on April 20, held at the Robert Cabral Agricultural Center, which was the first in-person meeting held since before COVID restrictions. Discussion included well-permitting guidelines for the County.
- South San Joaquin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (SSJGSA) Board meeting on April 20.
- Tri-Dam Board meeting on April 21.

Director Spyksma stated that there were no updates to report.

Director Kamper stated that there were no updates to report.

Director Holmes reported that he attended the following meetings:

- SSJGSA Board meeting on April 20.
- Tri-Dam Board meeting on April 21.

Director Holmes commented on the recent wet weather and the positive precipitation outlook.

Item #2 – Various Reports

The Managers' Reports were provided in written form to the Board on April 25, 2022.

Director Holbrook addressed Mr. Brandon Nakagawa, SSJID Water Resources Coordinator, regarding logistics of future AWC meetings. Mr. Nakagawa responded that the regular AWC meeting is held on the third Wednesday of every month at 1:00 p.m. Director Weststeyn and Holbrook received messages that the time for the May 18 meeting had been changed to 8:30 am. Mr. Nakagawa indicated that he would confirm the date, time, and location of the AWC and the SJC IRWM Oversight Committee meetings with SJC staff and relay the information to the Board members.

Director Spyksma addressed Mr. Ed Erisman, Water Treatment Plant (WTP) Manager, regarding data of the Robert O. Schulz Solar Farm monthly output generation, which was not included on the WTP Manager's Report dated April 26, 2022. Mr. Erisman responded via the online Zoom meeting platform, that one solar inverter is down and the solar control board has been sent out for repair, thus output generation is not optimal. Also discussed was the recent incident regarding a break-in at the Solar Farm, to which Mr. Erisman stated that staff time was spent reviewing security camera footage for investigation purposes, and the guilty parties were apprehended in the Sacramento area. Updates of the Solar Farm output generation will be included on future WTP Manager's Reports.

Director Holmes addressed Mr. Erisman regarding the WTP Manager's Report, page 5, Summary for Month of March, Bullet #15, and inquired if the 19.3 million gallons per day (MGD) was the flow with three (3) pumps running. Mr. Erisman responded affirmative, though the pumps were not generating at 100% capacity.

Mr. Peter Rietkerk provided a brief hydrology update following the recent rain event. Water supply projections per the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) Bulletin 120 (dated April 19) indicate 90-percent exceedance at 582,000 acre-feet (AF), and the California Nevada River Forecast Center (dated April 25) indicate 90-percent exceedance at 657,000 AF.

Mr. Rietkerk updated the Board on SSJID's Letter of Expression of Interest (LOEOI), dated April 20, 2022, to the Stanislaus Regional Water Authority (SRWA) regarding the Regional Water Supply Project (RSWSP) and possible collaboration on its water treatment plant startup and future operations, which was approved by Board action on March 22, 2022. The LOEOI provided a detailed explanation of the WTP's high-level operations. The SRWA will be conferring with their Board on the responses received and notify the respondents. A copy of the LOEOI was distributed to the Board.

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ACTION CALENDAR

Item #3 – Consider Approval of Yosemite Greens Project

Mr. Killingsworth addressed the Board regarding conditional approval of the Yosemite Greens Residential Subdivision Project. He provided detailed explanations of the development project; project location; the District’s South County Water Supply Program (SCWSP) water line that will be affected by the project; the location of Drain 5 which borders the project’s southern boundary and had been recently transferred to the City of Manteca (City) by formal agreement; and proposed SSJID improvements to the affected SCWSP domestic water line including relocation and/or adjustment to new finished pavement grades.

Board discussion included the Drain 5 connection to the District’s French Camp Outlet Canal (FCOC) and the City of Manteca’s operational responsibility of the SCADA system; future discussions with the City regarding coordination of discharges; development of a maintenance log to document effectiveness of the SCADA system; responsible entity in the event of an equipment failure and/or system failure; and the Master Storm Drainage Agreement between the City and the District.

Staff recommended conditional approval of the items listed below regarding the Yosemite Greens Tract 4081 Project, subject to compliance with the District’s standard requirements and to the satisfaction of District staff:

1. Staff signature of the Improvement Plans
2. Developers Agreement

MOTION: A motion was made by Director Kamper and seconded by Director Holbrook to authorize conditional approval of the items listed above regarding the Yosemite Greens Tract 4081 Project, subject to compliance with the District’s standard requirements and to the satisfaction of District staff.

The motion passed 5 to 0 by the following vote:

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

Item #4 – Financial Statements for March 2022, AND Item #5 Investment Report for March 2022

Ms. Sarah Bloom, Interim Finance and Administrative Manager, addressed the Board regarding presentation of the Financial Statements and Investment Report through March 2022. She stated she could present an estimated report which depicts adjustments of routine monthly accounting to occur, or table the reports for a future board meeting to present the finalized versions including all incidentals.

Board consensus opted to table the presentations until the next regular board meeting.

It was announced that all items listed in the Closed Session agenda would be discussed. The Board took a brief recess at 9:35 a.m. and convened to Closed Session at 9:45 a.m.

Item #6 – CLOSED SESSION

6. a. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
Initiation to litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of
Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9
- 3 cases

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- b. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
 - Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9
 - 4 cases

- c. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation
 - Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9
 - 10 cases

SAN JOAQUIN TRIBUTARIES AUTHORITY, et al., vs. CALIFORNIA STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
County of Sacramento Superior Court
Case No. JCCP 5013

SAN JOAQUIN TRIBUTARIES AUTHORITY vs. CALIFORNIA STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD (2021 Curtailment Case)
County of Fresno Superior Court
Case No. 21CDCG02632

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

California Sportfishing Protection Alliance vs. Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority et al.
Superior Court of Stanislaus County
Case No. CV-20-001720

Jana Lynn Woodbridge Apartments, LLC vs. South San Joaquin Irrigation District
San Joaquin County Superior Court
STK-CV-UPI-2021-0002339

Dave Hegarty vs. SSJID et al.
San Joaquin County Superior Court
STK-CU-UF-2021-0002552

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Department of Transportation vs. Fassler et al.
San Joaquin County Superior Court
STK-CV-UED-2022-0000584

Department of Transportation vs. Fassler et al.
San Joaquin County Superior Court
STK-CV-UED-2022-0000627

d. Conference with Real Property Negotiator

California Government Code Section 54656.8

- i. Property: Water
 Negotiating Parties: Oakdale Irrigation District, Chicken Ranch Rancheria Band of Me-
 Wuk Indians, and Other Potential Parties Unknown
 District Negotiator: General Manager
 Terms: Price and terms of payment of sale

- ii. Property: Woodward Reservoir
 Negotiating Parties: Stanislaus County
 District Negotiator: General Manager
 Under Negotiation: Grant of License

e. Labor Negotiations

California Government Code Section 54957.6
Agency Negotiator: General Manager
Employee Organization: IBEW Local 1245

f. Public Employment

California Government Code Section 94957(b)(1)
Classifications: Assistant General Manager, Finance Administration Manager, Electric Utility Specialist

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened to Open Session at 11:56 a.m.

Item #7 – ANNOUNCEMENT OF REPORTABLE ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

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 #8 – ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 11:56 a.m.

ATTEST:

Danielle Barney, Clerk of the Board