

NORTH SAN JOAQUIN WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Lodi Grape Festival Grounds – Barrel Room
413 E. Lockeford Street, Lodi CA
Zoom - Teleconference Meeting

Monday June 28, 2021

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

**CONDUCTED BY TELECONFERENCE IN COMPLIANCE WITH GOVERNOR NEWSOM'S
EXECUTIVE ORDER RELAXING BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS DUE TO COVID-19**

1. **Call to Order - Roll Call - Acceptance of Agenda** - The meeting was called to order by President Valente at 2:01 pm. A motion for the acceptance of the Agenda for the meeting on June 28, 2021, made by Secretary Simpson, second by Vice President Flinn. Motion passed unanimously 4/0/0.

President Joe Valente - Area 3
Vice President Tom Flinn - Area 2
Secretary David Simpson – Area 1
Treasurer Charles Starr – Area 4
Director Marden Wilber – Area 5 - Late

General Counsel Jennifer Spaletta
Special Counsel Roger Masuda - Absent
Daniel de Graaf – District Engineer
Deputy Secretary Shasta Burns

2. **Correspondence/Announcements-** President Valente announced there will be a Water Forum Meeting on June 30th at 9:00 am at the Lodi Grape Festival Grounds.
3. **Action Items** Note: Votes recorded as: For/Against/Abstention (name)
 - A. Approval of the Minutes of the May 24, 2021 Regular Scheduled Board meeting and the Special Board Meeting held on June 11, 2021 – A motion to review and approve the Minutes of the May 24, 2021 Regular Board Meeting, and the June 11, 2021 Special Board Meeting by Vice President Flinn, second by Treasurer Starr. Motion passed 4/0/0.
 - B. Financial Matters
 - a. Receive and File NSJWCD Monthly Treasurer’s Report– Reviewed Monthly Treasurer’s Report in the board meeting packet. A motion to receive and file the NSJWCD Monthly Treasurers Report made by Secretary Simpson, second by Vice President Flinn. Motion passed 4/0/0.
 - b. Receive and File TLID #1 Monthly Treasurer’s Report – Reviewed Monthly Treasurer’s Report. A motion to receive and file the TLID #1 Monthly Treasurer’s Report made by Secretary Simpson, second by Vice President Flinn. Motion passed 4/0/0.
 - c. Receive and File ID #3 Monthly Treasurer’s Report – Reviewed Monthly Treasurer’s report. A motion to receive and file the ID #3 Monthly Treasurer’s Report by Secretary Simpson, second by Treasurer Starr. Motion passed 4/0/0.
 - C. Receive 2019-2020 Audit – Final Audit will be presented by Croce, Sanguinetti & Vander Veen, Inc. at the July Board Meeting.

- D.** Resolution regarding Annual Appropriations Limit - A motion to approve Annual Appropriations Limit, Resolution 2021-04, made by Vice President Flinn, second by Secretary Starr. Roll Call Vote; Starr; Aye. Flinn; Aye, Simpson; Aye, Valente; Aye. Motion passed 4/0/0.
- E.** Budget Matters:
1. Proposed NSJWCD 2021-22 Budget – General Counsel reviewed changes made by the board at the Special Meeting held on June 11th. A motion to approve the 2021-2022 Budget as presented, made by Vice President Flinn, second by Treasurer Starr. Motion passed 4/0/0.
 2. Status of Federal WaterSmart Grant Reimbursement – General Counsel informed the Board the district should see a reimbursement before the July Board Meeting.
 3. Status of DREAM project expenditures and reimbursements – DREAM project expenditures and reimbursements will be discussed at the July Board Meeting.
 4. Status of Improvement District No. 3 expenditures and account balances- General Counsel reviewed account balances only. A motion to transfer \$100,000.00 from the South System Capital Facilities account into ID#3 and pay interest charges due for warrant payments, made by Secretary Simpson, second by Treasurer Starr. Motion passed 4/0/0.
- F.** Greater San Joaquin County Regional Water Coordinating Committee Project Selection Committee Appointment – General Counsel Spaletta reviewed the Sub Committee. Board recommendation to have primary representative Charlie Starr, and alternate Joe Valente. The first meeting will be held on July 7, 2021 and will have project presentations from the districts. More information to follow.
- G.** Review Water Supply Conditions and Operations – EBMUD is currently receiving Freeport water for fishery flows above and beyond joint settlement agreement. This means there is one more demand before NSJWCD would receive stored water.
- H.** South System Projects
- a. South Pump Station Project – Status Report from Daniel de Graaf. No changes on South Pump Station Project at this time.
 - b. Brandt/Tretheway Project – Daniel de Graaf reviewed that it will be several weeks before a walk through will take place.
 - c. East Side Ditch Project – No update at this time.
 - d. Dream/Pixley Pipeline – Live Oak to Bear Creek pipe is being installed from Pixley Slough towards the Caffese Property at this time. The Army Corps of Engineers permitting for Bear Creek Crossing is taking longer than expected and may require contract modification for an additional temporary pipeline crossing on the Leffler bridge to test the project.
 - e. Next Steps on South System – Prop 1 Grant Project – General Counsel reviewed the urgency for the Grant Agreement work to get started. A meeting is scheduled for July 16th with Joe Valente, Dave Simpson, and Daniel de Graaf and will go over remaining descriptions to build and get grant funding obligations.
- I.** Pump Station Maintenance Report - No report at this time.

- J. Sustainable Groundwater Management Act –
 - a. Proposed GWA 2021-22 Budget and Cost Allocation Method; Action as Necessary. – Vice President Flinn reviewed the NSJWCD portion of the GWA 2021-22 Budget and announced to the Board that the district’s share of the budget will be \$30,000, resulting in a \$50,000 savings over what had been proposed.
 - K. Strategic Plan Process/Public Outreach – Petrea Marchand with Consero Solutions presented a Board Planning Calendar and timeline to move forward on the Strategic Plan Process and outreach meetings with landowners.
 - L. SGMA Project Financing Discussion - Daniel de Graaf will draft a list of projects that are listed in the GSP and present an estimate of how much each project will cost to build in each description. Discussion item only. No action needed at this time.
 - M. Landowner communications – Discussion above in Strategic Plan/Public Outreach discussion.
 - N. Discussion of Revised Board Policy Manual – Board Policy Manual is under revision at this time and will be brought back for board review in the coming months.
 - O. Discussion of Board Planning Calendar – No updates at this time preparing for landowner meetings at this time.
- 4. Director and Staff Reports**
- A. President’s Report – No report at this time
 - B. General Counsel Spaletta – No report at this time
 - C. District Manager/Engineer – No report at this time.
 - D. Committee Reports – No report at this time.
 - E. Other – No reports at this time.
- 5. Public Comment** – Public comments were received.
- 6. Closed Session** – The Board entered into Closed Session at 4:02 pm.
- 7. Adjournment** - The Board came out of Closed Session at 4:15 pm. President Valente reported there was no reportable action. Motion to adjourn the NSJWCD Regular Meeting on June 28, 2021 made by Secretary Simpson, second by Vice President Flinn. Motion passed 5/0/0. (Director Wilber entered the meeting at 3:30 pm) Meeting adjourned 4:16 PM.

The next regular scheduled Board Meeting July 26, 2021, from 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM. Location and method TBA due to COVID-19 Executive Order.

The above minutes of the North San Joaquin Water Conservation District Board of Directors Meeting of June 28, 2021.

Respectfully submitted:

Shasta Burns, Deputy Secretary