

BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
ROSEDALE-RIO BRAVO WATER STORAGE DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING  
November 12, 2019  
8:30 a.m.

**DIRECTORS PRESENT**

Roy Pierucci, Gary Unruh, Mitch Millwee, Jason Selvidge & Barry Watts

**DIRECTORS ABSENT**

None

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Eric Averett, Dan Bartel, Zach Smith, Megan Misuraca, Dan Raytis & Markus Nygren  
Danielle Duncan  
Scott Westall  
Mark Gehring

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Pierucci called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

**CONSENT ITEMS**

- a) Regular Board Meeting Minutes- October 8, 2019
- b) Special Board Meeting Minutes – October 14, 2019
- c) Treasurer’s Report – Filed as presented.

A motion was made by Director Selvidge and seconded by Director Watts to adopt and accept the Consent Items. The motion was unanimously passed.

AYES: Directors Pierucci, Unruh, Millwee, Watts and Selvidge

NOES: None

ABSTAINED: None

**FINANCIAL REPORTS**

- a) Accounts Payable/ October 5, 2019 through November 8, 2019 — Mr. Averett reviewed the accounts payable report with the Board. A motion was made by Director Watts and seconded by Director Millwee to ratify and approve payment of the accounts payable in the total amount of \$1,261,288.44 as set forth in the Accounts Payable report provided to the Board. The motion was unanimously passed.

AYES: Directors Pierucci, Unruh, Millwee, Watts and Selvidge

NOES: None

ABSTAINED: None

- b) Revenue and Expenditures Report – Mr. Averett reviewed the current Revenue and Expenditures Report through 10/31/19 with the Board.

- c) Review of Draft 2020 Budget – Mr. Averett presented the draft 2020 budget to the board including project 2019-year end figures. A motion was made by Director Watts and Seconded by Director Millwee to adopt the 2020 budget as presented. The motion was unanimously passed.  
 AYES: Directors Pierucci, Unruh, Millwee, Watts and Selvidge  
 NOES: None  
 ABSTAINED: None
- d) Consideration of Refinancing Certificates of Participation – Mr. Averett presented the proposals from Wells Fargo in regard to refinancing districts Certificates of Participation. Mr. Averett discussed the benefits and drawbacks of refinancing each series. A motion was made by Director Millwee and seconded by Director Watts to refinance the 2010 series Certificate of Participation as presented and revisit refinancing the other COPs in 2020. The motion was unanimously passed.  
 AYES: Directors Pierucci, Unruh, Millwee, Watts and Selvidge  
 NOES: None  
 ABSTAINED: None
- e) Consideration of 2018 Audit – Mr. Gehring and Mr. Westall of BHK presented the 2018 financial statements to the Board noting and discussing all changes that were made from prior years. A motion was made by Director Millwee and seconded by Director Watts to adopt and approve the 2018 financial statements as presented. The motion was unanimously passed.  
 AYES: Directors Pierucci, Unruh, Millwee, Watts and Selvidge  
 NOES: None  
 ABSTAINED: None
- f) Update on Fund Investments – Mr. Averett updated the Board on the ladder investment of funds with AMG.
- g) Update on Certificates of Participation Reserve Fund Investments – Mr. Averett updated the board on the investments of the reserve funds of the Certificates of Participation.

**DISTRICT OPERATIONS REPORT**

- a) District Water Levels & Hydrographs Report – Mr. Smith reviewed the current District water levels with the Board.
- b) Operations Log – Mr. Smith reviewed current operations logs with the Board including the projected supply and demand through 2019.
- c) Maintenance Report – Mr. Smith reviewed maintenance projects that have taken place over the last month noting the savings the District has made switching fuel companies.
- d) Consideration of Maintenance Projects – Mr. Smith reviewed 3 maintenance projects that need to be completed. Project one is to remove sediment and debris from the Goose Lake Channel in the Allen Road area. Depending on contractor availability, staff will issue an encroachment permit to excavate and remove up to 15,000 yards of sediment or, if needed, the District will enter into a T&M contract to excavate and remove the material at an expense not to exceed \$125,000. Project 2 is to an encroachment permit to excavate and remove up to 65,000 cubic yards of material from the Bowling property. Project 3 is to authorize staff to enter into a contract to remove tree debris from the McCaslin property area at an expense not to exceed \$150,000. A motion was made by Director Unruh and seconded by Director Millwee to approve

projects 1 through 3 with a budget not to exceed \$275,000, as presented. The motion was unanimously passed.

AYES: Directors Pierucci, Unruh, Millwee, Watts and Selvidge

NOES: None

ABSTAINED: None

- e) Consideration of Encroachment Permit-Fiber Optic Cable and Jewetta – Mr. Smith reviewed the request for an encroachment permit for Ridgeline Telecom to install 120’ of conduit for the future placement of fiber optic cables. A motion was made by Director Selvidge and seconded by Director Watts to authorize staff to issue an encroachment permit for the placement of conduit/fiber optic cable under the District’s Jewetta Box culvert. The motion was unanimously passed.

AYES: Directors Pierucci, Unruh, Millwee, Watts and Selvidge

NOES: None

ABSTAINED: None

- f) Consideration of Acquisition of Skid-Steer Loader and Attachments - Mr. Smith discussed the benefits the District would receive from the purchase of a skid-steer loader along with the quotes received for the equipment. A motion was made by Director Millwee and seconded by Director Unruh to approve the purchase of a skid-steer loader and attachments in an amount not exceed \$75,000. The motion was unanimously passed.

AYES: Directors Pierucci, Unruh, Millwee, Watts and Selvidge

NOES: None

ABSTAINED: None

#### **STATE WATER PROJECT ACTIVITIES UPDATE**

- a) Update on State Water Project Operations – Mr. Averett gave an update on current State Water Project operations.
- i. Congressman McCarthy Statement-New Biological Opinions Regarding Water Project Operations - Mr. Averett reviewed the New Biological Opinion released by Mr. McCarthy with the Board.
- b) Update on Delta Conveyance Project – Mr. Averett gave a brief update on Delta Conveyance Project activities to the Board.

#### **MANAGER’S REPORT**

- a) Consideration of Continuing Emergency Action - Public Contract Code §22050(c)(1) – Resolution No. 502 – A motion was made by Director Unruh and seconded by Director Millwee to continue the Emergency Action per Resolution No. 502. The motion was unanimously passed.
- AYES: Directors Pierucci, Unruh, Millwee, Watts and Selvidge
- NOES: None
- ABSTAINED: None
- b) Update on Kern Fan Integration Environmental Analysis - Mr. Averett gave a brief status update on the current activities of the Environmental Analysis of the Kern Fan Integration.
- c) Discussion of Water Accounting Platform

- i. Term Definitions Review - Mr. Averett presented and reviewed the terms to be used for the Water Accounting Platform and requested board input. The Board provided some input, as discussed in item ii., immediately below.
  - ii. Policy Discussion - Mr. Averett discussed various Water Accounting policies with the Board and how to address them. A discussion was had regarding carrying over of unused allocations; various Directors commented that carrying over supplies/allocations would not be a desirable policy given current information.
- d) Consideration of Water Accounting Platform Services-
  - i. Web Hosting Service Agreement – Mr. Averett reviewed the web hosting agreement with the Board. A motion was made by Director Selvidge and seconded by Director Unruh to authorize staff to execute a service agreement in the amount of \$12,000 for the Water Accounting Platform web hosting. The motion was unanimously passed.  
 AYES: Directors Pierucci, Unruh, Millwee, Watts and Selvidge  
 NOES: None  
 ABSTAINED: None
  - ii. Accounting Platform Launch- Mr. Averett discussed the timeline of the launch of the Water Accounting Platform and the efforts involved to go live. A motion was made by Director Unruh and seconded by Director Selvidge to authorize staff to execute agreements necessary for the launch of the platform with a budget not to exceed \$88,000. The motion was unanimously passed.  
 AYES: Directors Pierucci, Unruh, Millwee, Watts and Selvidge  
 NOES: None  
 ABSTAINED: None
- e) Consideration of Groundwater Model Update - Mr. Bartel discussed the need to update and recalibrate the groundwater flow model as additional data has been made available. A motion was made by Director Millwee and seconded by Director Watts to authorize staff to execute an agreement to update the groundwater model including tasks 1-4 of the Thomas Harder & Co. proposal in an amount not to exceed \$ 55,510.00. The motion was unanimously passed.  
 AYES: Directors Pierucci, Unruh, Millwee, Watts and Selvidge  
 NOES: None  
 ABSTAINED: None

## **ENGINEERS / PROJECTS REPORT**

- a) Onyx Ranch
  - i. Operations Report – Mr. Bartel gave an update on staff activities and water operations and flows to the Board
- b) Drought Relief Project
  - i. Status Report – Mr. Bartel reviewed the Project Status Report covering the activities through the end of October 2019.
  - ii. Pumping Plant Equipping – Consideration of Pay Estimate, and Change Order – Mr. Bartel updated the Board on the project. A motion was made by Director Unruh and seconded by Director Selvidge to approve Specialty Construction’s pay estimate No. 8 in

the amount of \$327,862.57 with retention in the amount of \$17,255.93 to be deposited into the escrow account. The motion was unanimously passed.

AYES: Directors Pierucci, Unruh, Millwee, Watts and Selvidge

NOES: None

ABSTAINED: None

Mr. Bartel discussed the need for an HMI Control System at the Pumping Plant and reviewed the ICS proposal with the Board. A motion was made by Director Selvidge and seconded by Director Millwee to approve the issuance of a change order not to exceed \$30,000 for the installation of an HMI Control System at the Pumping Plant. The motion was unanimously passed.

AYES: Directors Pierucci, Unruh, Millwee, Watts and Selvidge

NOES: None

ABSTAINED: None

Mr. Bartel reviewed the current technical services contract with Zeiders Consulting and the need to increase the contract to cover the HMI programming and KCWA interface. A motion was made by Director Millwee and seconded by Director Watts to augment Zeiders Consulting technical services agreement in an amount not to exceed \$30,000. The motion was unanimously passed.

AYES: Directors Pierucci, Unruh, Millwee, Watts and Selvidge

NOES: None

ABSTAINED: None

- iii. Stockdale East Wells- Consideration of Construction Contract and Technical Service Agreement - Mr. Bartel discussed the bids that were received at the October 11, 2019 bid opening. A motion was made by Director Selvidge and seconded by Director Unruh to authorize the award the contract to Bakersfield Well and Pump in the amount of \$1,638,728.22 for the construction of 2 Stockdale East Wells, and to execute the contract agreement upon presentation of required bonds and insurance, subject to review of general counsel. The motion was unanimously passed.

AYES: Directors Pierucci, Unruh, Millwee, Watts and Selvidge

NOES: None

ABSTAINED: None

A motion was made by Director Watts and seconded by Director Millwee to authorize staff to execute an agreement with Zeiders Consulting for the Pipeline Design and Observation in an amount not to exceed \$ 30,000. The motion was unanimously passed.

AYES: Directors Pierucci, Unruh, Millwee, Watts and Selvidge

NOES: None

ABSTAINED: None

A motion was made by Director Millwee and seconded by Director Watts authorizing staff to execute agreements with Thomas Harder & Co. for the final well design in an amount not to exceed \$32,000 and Zeiders Consulting for the well construction observation not to exceed \$90,000. The motion was unanimously passed.

AYES: Directors Pierucci, Unruh, Millwee, Watts and Selvidge

NOES: None

ABSTAINED: None

c) Conveyance Projects

- i. Houghton Weir - Mr. Bartel gave an update to the Board.
- ii. Allen Road Area Siltation Remediation-Consideration of Technical Services Contract - Mr. Bartel discussed the need for a permanent solution for the management of sediment at the Allen Road Area. A motion was made by Director Selvidge and seconded by Director Unruh to execute an agreement with Meyers Engineering in an amount not to exceed \$10,000 to investigate possible solutions. The motion was unanimously passed.

AYES: Directors Pierucci, Unruh, Millwee, Watts and Selvidge

NOES: None

ABSTAINED: None

d) Recharge Projects – None

- e) Kern Fan Project - Consideration of MBK Capacity and Turnout Analysis Budget - Mr. Averett reviewed the proposal with the Board. A motion was made by Director Millwee and seconded by Director Watts to authorize staff to execute a cost share agreement with Irvine Ranch WD for professional services of the MBK Capacity and Turnout Analysis in an amount not to exceed \$23,750. The motion was unanimously passed.

AYES: Directors Pierucci, Unruh, Millwee, Watts and Selvidge

NOES: None

ABSTAINED: None

f) Superior East Recharge Improvements

- i. Consideration of Pay Estimate, Change Order, and Notice of Completion – Mr. Bartel gave an update on current activities on the repairs and replacements at Superior East and West. A motion was made by Director Unruh and seconded by Director Selvidge to (1) approve Pay Estimate No.5 in the amount of \$171,023.22 with \$9,001.22 retention withheld; (2) approve change order of \$90,255.33 for extra work for levee relocation, erosion repairs, pipeline removal, channel cleanup, and demolition/haul off; and issue and record a notice of completion, subject to approval of Mr. Bartel as to completion of the project. The motion was unanimously passed.

AYES: Directors Pierucci, Unruh, Millwee, Watts and Selvidge

NOES: None

ABSTAINED: None

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a) Rosedale Management Area Committee – Mr. Bartel gave a brief update on activities. Mr. Bartel is preparing final updates to the District’s chapter of the GSP.
- b) Kern Fan Monitoring Committee – No report.
- c) Cross Valley Canal Advisory Committee – No report.
- d) Pioneer Project – No report.
- e) Kern River Watershed Coalition Authority (KRWCA) – No Report.

- f) Kern Groundwater Authority – Mr. Selvidge gave a brief update on activities.
- g) Kern Fan Authority – No report.
- h) Banking Projects Joint Operating Committee (JOC) – No report.
- i) Valley Ag Water Coalition – No report.
- j) South Valley Water Resources Authority – No report.
- k) BizFed Group – No report.
- l) Kern Integrated Regional Water Management Plan – No report.
- m) James Water Bank Authority- No report.
- n) Committee for Delta Reliance- President Pierucci gave a brief update on activities and the request for \$29,000 to continue membership.

**ATTORNEY’S REPORT**

NONE

**OLD OR NEW BUSINESS**

NONE

**CORRESPONDENCE**

- a. Mr. Averett reviewed the ACWA nominations with the Board. By consensus, the Board directed Mr. Averett to support Mr. Lamar and Ms. Tobin.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** –

NONE

**CLOSED SESSION**

During the meeting, the Board met in closed session, as follows: At 11:25 a.m. Director Pierucci announced the Board would meet in closed session. At 12:05 p.m., the Board reconvened to open session. No reportable actions were taken.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned at 12:05 p.m.