

**SOLANO IRRIGATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

THIS MEETING WAS CONDUCTED VIA ZOOM

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2022

MINUTES

The Solano Irrigation District Board of Directors met in regular session on this date via Zoom. Present were: President **John Kluge**; Vice President **Derrick Lum**; Director **Michael Barrett**; Director **Pete Sanchez**; Director **Charles Herich**; General Manager **Cary Keaten**; Water & Power Operations Manager **Matt Hobbs**; District Engineer **Paul Fuchslin**; Director of Finance **Cammie Morin**; Human Resources Director, **Jennifer Gamez**; Superintendent, Water Delivery Operations, **Melissa Vignau**; Supervisor, Agricultural Operations, **Stuart Chaney**; Superintendent, Maintenance Operations, **Jeff Sullivan**; and Interim Executive Assistant **Jacqueline McBride**.

THIS MEETING WAS HELD VIA ZOOM

This meeting is compliant with local and state orders, and the The Governor proclaimed a state of emergency due to the COVID-19 virus pandemic on March 4, 2020. The proclamation remains active and applies statewide. The Board is meeting pursuant to Section 54953(e)(1)(B) and 54953(e)(1)(A). The Board is complying with other public access and participation obligations, as required and to ensure that any member of the public may attend, participate, and watch the Board conduct their business.

1. PRELIMINARY

1.1. Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by President Kluge.

1.2. Roll Call – *All Board Members were present.*

1.3. Approval of Agenda

Upon motion by Director Lum, seconded by Director Sanchez, the Board voted to approve the agenda as presented.

Ayes: Herich, Sanchez, Barrett, Lum, Kluge

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

1.4. Pledge of Allegiance

President Kluge led attendees in the pledge of allegiance.

1.5. Conflict of Interest Notification *(Any Agenda items that might be a conflict of interest to any Board members should be identified at this time by the Director involved)*

None.

2. PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations scheduled.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT (NON-AGENDA ITEMS)

There were no public comments on Non-Agenda Items.

4. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

4.1. STATUS OF HUMAN RESOURCES ACTIVITIES: January/ February 2022.

4.2. WATER AND POWER REPORT FEBRUARY 2022: Update on activities since the December 2021 Board of Directors Meeting.

4.3. CLIMATE STATISTICAL REPORT AND RELATED ITEMS: Update on activities since the January 2022 Board of Directors Meeting.

4.4. 2022 R&B PROJECTS: Progress and Status Report of 2022 R&B Projects.

4.5. MONTHLY REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN BY GENERAL MANAGER TO EVALUATE AND PROCESS TORT CLAIMS AND TO ACCEPT, REJECT, OR SETTLE CLAIMS AGAINST THE DISTRICT AS ALLOWED PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 935.4: A Summary of Actions Taken Related to Claims Filed against Solano Irrigation District for January/February 2022— INFORMATION ONLY.

There were no comments or questions from the Board nor public.

CONSENT CALENDAR

The Board considers all Consent Calendar items to be routine and will adopt them in one motion. There will be no discussion on these items before the Board votes on the motion, unless Board members, staff or the public request specific items be discussed and/or removed from the Consent Calendar.

5.1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Approval of Minutes from January 18, 2022, Regular Board Meeting.

5.2. TREASURER’S REPORT: Accept January 2022.

5.3. FUNDS INVESTED REPORT: Accept January 2022.

5.4. INCOME STATEMENTS: Accept January 2022.

5.5. CLAIMS REPORT: Accept January 2022.

5.6. CONTINUATION OF TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS PURSUANT TO THE BROWN ACT, GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54953(E), AS AMENDED BY ASSEMBLY BILL (AB) 361: Consider Adoption of Resolution No. 22-05 Re-Ratifying The Proclamation Of A State Of Emergency By Governor’s Order Dated March 4, 2020 And Re-Authorizing Remote Teleconference Meetings Of The Legislative Bodies Of The Solano Irrigation District Pursuant To Brown Act Provisions.

Upon motion by Director Herich, seconded by Director Sanchez, the Board voted to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

Ayes: Herich, Sanchez, Barrett, Lum, Kluge
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Motion passed unanimously.

6. SCHEDULED ITEMS

6.1. SAFETY/RISK MANAGEMENT ACTIVITY UPDATE: Accept the Summary of Safety/Risk Management Activity update for the Month of February 2022.

General Manager, Cary Keaten opened this item and summarized the safety report, including details on how the District plans to avoid the recurrence of future incidents similar to the sole, minor vehicle-related incident that occurred this month.

The Board voted unanimously to accept the Safety/Risk Management Activity Update summary for the month of February 2022.

6.2. 2022 AGRICULTURAL WATER BUDGET & AGRICULTURAL WATER ALLOCATION: Establish Agricultural Water Budget and Agricultural Water Allocation for 2022 Water Year.

General Manager, Cary Keaten opened this item, and Water & Power Operations Manager, Matt Hobbs, summarized the staff report accompanied by an informative presentation. Staff, including the Supervisor of Agricultural Operations, Stuart Chaney, responded to pertinent inquiries from Board members. There were no questions from the public.

Upon motion by Director Barrett, seconded by Director Lum, the Board voted to Establish the Agricultural Water Budget and Set the Agricultural Water Allocation for 2022 Water Year at 2.9 acre-feet per acre foot.

Ayes: Herich, Sanchez, Barrett, Lum, Kluge
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Motion passed unanimously.

6.3. 2022 START OF IRRIGATION SEASON: Establishing the start date of the 2022 Irrigation Season.

General Manager, Cary Keaten opened this item and Water & Power Operations Manager, Matt Hobbs, summarized the staff report accompanied by a detailed presentation. Staff responded to numerous inquiries and plausible alternative solutions from Board members. There were no questions from the public.

Upon motion by Director Barrett, seconded by Director Herich, the Board voted to Recommend Staff Establish March 10, 2022, as the Start Date of the 2022 Irrigation Season.

Ayes: Herich, Sanchez, Barrett, Lum, Kluge
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Motion passed unanimously.

6.4. CONTRACT WITH CONTROLPOINT ENGINEERING FOR ELECTRICAL UPGRADES PHASE 2: Authorize General Manager to execute contract with ControlPoint Engineering, Inc. for design and bid period services for the electrical upgrades Phase 2 Project.

General Manager, Cary Keaten opened this item and District Engineer, Paul Fuchslin, summarized the staff report accompanied by a comprehensive presentation. Staff responded to numerous inquiries from Board members. There were no questions from the public.

Upon motion by Director Sanchez, seconded by Director Herich, the Board voted to Authorize the General Manager to Execute Contract with ControlPoint Engineering, Inc. for Design and Bid Period Services for the Electrical Upgrades Phase 2 Project.

Ayes: Herich, Sanchez, Barrett, Lum, Kluge
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Motion passed unanimously.

- 6.5. CLEMENT METER – PLEASANT HILLS RANCH ESTATES:** Consider Meter Removal Agreement for the Clement Property in Pleasant Hills Ranch Estates (PHRE) – *Tabled from December 2021 Meeting.*

General Manager, Cary Keaten opened this item and District Engineer, Paul Fuchslin, gave brief details about the report along with a brief informational presentation. Staff responded to inquiries from Board members. There were no questions from the public.

- 6.6.** Upon motion by Director Herich, seconded by Director Lum, the Board voted to Accept the Meter Removal Agreement for the Clement Property in Pleasant Hills Ranch Estates; and to Decline Waiving the Associated Fees (PHRE) – *Tabled from December 2021 Meeting.*

Ayes: Herich, Sanchez, Barrett, Lum, Kluge
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Motion passed unanimously.

7. BOARD OF DIRECTOR’S COMMENTS

7.1. BOARD ACTIVITY UPDATES:

7.1.1. Non-SID Committees or Membership: (*Verbal Updates*)

- SCWA Update - Solano County Water Agency
 - Kluge with Lum as Alternate
- SCWA LPCCC Update - Lower Putah Creek Conservation Committee
 - Kluge with Lum as Alternate
- SSWA - Suisun-Solano Water Authority (SSWA EC)
 - Kluge with Lum as Alternate
- ACWA General - Association of California Water Agencies
 - All

7.1.2. SID Committees: *Verbal Update*

- Personnel Committee
 - Barrett and Herich
- M&I Committee
 - Kluge and Herich
- Ag Committee
 - Barrett and Lum
- Groundwater Committee
 - Kluge and Lum
- ACWA/JPIA –Joint Powers Insurance Authority
 - Sanchez and Keaten
- Maine Prairie Water District
 - Kluge and Barrett
- Messaging and Outreach Committee
 - Kluge and Lum
- Finance Committee

- Kluge and Sanchez
- Ad-Hoc Generator Update Committee
 - Kluge and Herich

7.2. GENERAL MANAGER’S ACTIVITY UPDATES (*Verbal Updates*)

7.3. BOARD OF DIRECTOR REFERRAL REQUESTS (*Verbal Updates*)

8. CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION: 6:58 P.M.

8.1. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR CARY KEATEN - POTENTIAL SALE OF WATER TO THE CITY OF SUISUN CITY; The Board to hold closed session with negotiator to discuss and give direction regarding price and terms and conditions for the potential sale of water to the City of Suisun City. The negotiations are between the Negotiator and the Management of the City of Suisun City. Closed Session Government Code Section 54956.8.

9. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

In Closed Session, The Board Unanimously Supported Staff’s Negotiated Price and Terms and Conditions for the Potential Sale of Water to The City of Suisun City—Between the Negotiator and the Management of The City of Suisun City—Per Closed Session Government Code Section 54956.8.

10. ADJOURN

There being no further business before the Board, President Kluge adjourned the February 15, 2022, Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors at 7:29 p.m.



Cary Keaten