# NEVADA IRRIGATION DISTRICT

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

# **MINUTES**

February 14, 2018

The Board of Directors of the Nevada Irrigation District and the Nevada Irrigation District Joint Powers Authority convened in regular session at the District's main office located at 1036 W. Main Street, Grass Valley, on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2018, at 9:00 a.m.

Present were William Morebeck, President (Division IV); John H. Drew, Vice President (Division II); and Directors Nancy Weber (Division I); W. Scott Miller (Division III); and Nick Wilcox (Division V).

Staff members present included Remleh Scherzinger, General Manager; Greg Jones, Assistant General Manager; Marvin V. Davis, Finance Manager/Treasurer; Jana Kolakowski, Human Resources Manager; Keane Sommers, Hydroelectric Manager; Chip Close, Water Operations Manager; Gary King, Engineering Manager; Brian Powell, Maintenance Manager; Monica Reyes, Recreation Manager; Doug Roderick, Senior Engineer; Susan Lauer, Communication Specialist; Dustin Cooper, District Counsel; and Kris Stepanian, Board Secretary.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

The Following members of the public addressed the Board:

- Marin Lipowitz, resident of Grass Valley, recited Earth pledge, and requested that the Centennial Reservoir be made a standing item under General Orders
- Lou Sitzer, resident and customer of District 1, addressed the Board regarding conservation, Centennial Reservoir interviews, and designating staff to work collaboratively with community groups
- Michael Hill-Weld, resident of Division 1, addressed the Board regarding District Policy 5070.5 Decorum
- Otis Wollan, resident near the Bear River Campground, addressed the Board regarding Centennial Reservoir financing
- Bob Goar, resident of District 2, addressed the Board regarding the Rattlesnake Road Backbone Extension Project meeting
- George Hoffecker, resident of Meadow Vista, addressed the Board regarding the Centennial Reservoir, and requested that it be a standing item on the agenda
- Karen Perry, property owner on Milk Ranch Road, addressed the Board in opposition of the Centennial Reservoir
- Dianne Suarez, resident of Colfax, addressed the Board regarding Director Wilcox's recent op ed article and Director Drew's presentation and related costs
- Jordan Perry, resident of Milk Ranch Road, addressed the Board in opposition to the Centennial Reservoir
- Nicole Raglin, resident of Grass Valley, addressed the Board regarding the Centennial Reservoir, uniting the community, and requested more transparency from Committee meetings

- Robert Hane, member of the public, addressed the Board regarding the Centennial Reservoir and Director Wilcox's recent op ed article
- Mike Pasner, owner of Indian Springs Organic Farm in Penn Valley, addressed the Board regarding the Vegetation Working Group, and removing the 20 minute limit for public to comment on subject matter
- Bob Branstrom, resident of Grass Valley, addressed the Board regarding parking during for public during Board meetings

# MINUTES – January 24, 2018 Regular Meeting

Approved the minutes of the regular meeting on January 24, 2018, as submitted. M/S/C Drew/Weber, unanimously approved

## <u>WARRANTS</u>

Approved warrants as submitted on check and payroll registers. M/S/C Drew/Weber, unanimously approved

NEVADA IRRIGATION DISTRICT JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY -

**REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD** 

Approved the 2018 elected and appointed positions (pursuant to Water Code, Sections 21375 and 21376). M/S/C Drew/Weber, unanimously approved

## FUND SIGNATURE AUTHORIZATION – DISTRICT BANK ACCOUNTS

Adopted Resolution 2018-03, as recommended by the Administrative Practices Committee. M/S/C Drew/Weber, unanimously approved

### BLAIR COURT WATERLINE EXTENSION & CANAL ENCASEMENT CONVEYANCE AGREEMENT

Doug Roderick, Senior Engineer, replied to inquiry made by Director Weber.

Approved the Conveyance Agreement with CL Assets, LLC, for installation of approximately 680 lineal feet of 54-inch poly coated galvanized steel spiral rib pipe, 489 lineal feet of 8-inch C900 treated water line, 1 private fire service, 1 fire hydrant, and all appurtenances to serve Nevada County APN 06-391-35. M/S/C Drew/Weber, unanimously approved

# FOOTHILLS WATER NETWORK REQUEST

Tracey Sheehan, Executive Director of The Foothills Water Network presented the item.

Public Comment:

- Syd Brown, resident of Nevada City
- Nicole Raglin, resident of Grass Valley
- Matthew Colter, member of the public
- Peter VanZant, resident of Nevada City
- Dianna Suarez, resident of Colfax

Directed Staff to not appeal the PBR scores of the Centennial Reservoir Project application made by the California Water Commission. M/S/C Miller/Wilcox, unanimously approved

The meeting recessed at 10:11 a.m., and reconvened at 10:22 a.m.

PENN VALLEY TANKS PAINTING PROJECT, CONTRACT NO. M2018-01 Brian Powell, Maintenance Manager, presented the item.

Awarded the Penn Valley Tanks Painting Project, Contract No. M2018-01 to Elements Painting of Stateline, Nevada, in the amount of \$274,000, and authorized the General Manager to execute the necessary documents. M/S/C Wilcox/Drew, unanimously approved

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT CONTRACT FOR REPLACEMENT OF THE HEMPHILL DIVERSION STRUCTURE (FATR#7032) Gary King, Engineering Manager, presented the item.

Public Comment:

- William Waters, resident of Placer County
- Robert Hane, SARSAS Board Member
- Dianna Suarez, resident of Colfax
- Mike Pasner, resident of Penn Valley

Approved a contract with Helix in the amount of \$228,000, for the CEQA work on the Hemphill Diversion Structure replacement, as recommended by January 16, 2018 Engineering Committee, and authorized the General Manager to execute the appropriate documents. M/S/C Drew/Wilcox, unanimously approved

### **GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

Remleh Scherzinger, General Manager, reported on the following items:

- Precipitation & Storage Report
- Conservation update
- Public Comment Clarifications:
  - Committee meeting minutes available online for one year
  - Third party audit for Centennial Reservoir was approved by Administrative Practices Committee
  - Engineering Committee standing item for Centennial Reservoir
- Legislation Updates:
  - SB623 Water Tax
  - o AB1668 Water Management Planning
  - SB998 Water Shutoffs; urban and community water systems
- Urban Water Institute Presentation
- Updating Centennial Reservoir website to start in next 30 days
- Hemphill TAC / Sediment studies update
- Cannabis item discussed at recent WHO Committee meeting
- Staff conducting First Person Shooter Training
- Shale Ridge Tank Pipeline complete
- Rattlesnake Road walkthrough
- Fay Road/Brewer walkthrough
- Minor settlement on Table Meadows is being handled by contractor

- Master planning for Rock Creek and Bloomfield to Engineering Committee this month
- Updating the Community Investment section of the District website
- Combie Sediment Removal Project update
- County has approved work for Orchard Springs building
- Chip Close, Water Operations Manager responded to inquiry from Director Wilcox regarding declaration of surplus water

#### BOARD MEMBER ITEMS/REPORTS:

Director Weber reported on the following items:

- Workshops/Educational opportunities:
  - USGS webinar series begins today on mercury and reservoirs
  - o Sierra Nevada Alliance is doing a watershed improvement program annual summit on March 7<sup>th</sup> in Sacramento
- Centennial Reservoir updates at Engineering Committee meetings & livestreaming

Director Wilcox reported on the following items:

Recent trip to Kauai

Director Drew reported on the following items:

- Provided cost breakdown for slideshow presentation
- Slideshow presentation

#### COUNTYWIDE REDEVELOPMENT OVERSIGHT BOARD – REQUEST FOR NOMINATIONS

Director Morebeck made a motion to nominate Nick Wilcox, to the Countywide Redevelopment Agency Oversight Board for the position of Special District Member: and to adopt resolution 2018-04 (Making Nomination To The Position Of Special District Member Of The Countywide Redevelopment Agency **Oversight Board**)

Motion passed on the following roll call vote:

Weber, Division I	Aye
Drew, Division II	Aye
Miller, Division III	Aye
Morebeck, Division IV	Aye
Wilcox, Division V	Abstain

#### PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY ITEM TO BE CONSIDERED IN CLOSED SESSION -None

Meeting recessed at 11:15 a.m. and reconvened in Closed Session at 11:20 a.m.

CLOSED SESSION was declared at 11:20 a.m., pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8 to confer with Real Property Negotiators Scherzinger, Sommers, and/or District Counsel regarding price and terms of payment for acquisition and sale of rights in real property; properties subject to negotiations:

• South Yuba Canal, Chalk Bluff Canal, Deer Creek Powerhouse; flowage/wheeling rights in Drum Canal, Bear River Canal, Wise Canal, and South Canal (all owned by PG&E)

• Flowage Rights in Bowman-Spaulding Canal, Fall Creek Flume, Dutch Flat Flume, and Chicago Park Flume; right to storage in Rollins Reservoir (all owned by NID)

Persons with whom negotiations will be conducted: PG&E Management

## Board Action: Direction was given to real property negotiators.

CLOSED SESSION was declared at 11:25 a.m., pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 to confer with District Counsel regarding pending litigation – Claims: Lake Wildwood E.coli

Board Action: Director Drew made a motion to reject the claim of Darian Cox. Director Weber seconded the motion.

Motion passed on the following roll call vote:

Weber, Division I	Aye
Drew, Division II	Aye
Miller, Division III	Absent
Morebeck, Division IV	Aye
Wilcox, Division V	Aye

Board Action: Director Drew made a motion to reject the claim of Jaleen Davidson. Director Weber seconded the motion.

Motion passed on the following roll call vote:

Weber, Division I	Aye
Drew, Division II	Aye
Miller, Division III	Absent
Morebeck, Division IV	Aye
Wilcox, Division V	Aye

Board Action: Director Drew made a motion to reject the claim of Micah Davidson. Director Weber seconded the motion.

Motion passed on the following roll call vote:

Weber, Division I	Aye
Drew, Division II	Aye
Miller, Division III	Absent
Morebeck, Division IV	Aye
Wilcox, Division V	Aye

Board Action: Director Drew made a motion to reject the claim of Isaiah Davidson. Director Weber seconded the motion.

Motion passed on the following roll call vote:

Weber, Division I	Aye
Drew, Division II	Aye
Miller, Division III	Absent
Morebeck, Division IV	Aye
Wilcox, Division V	Aye

Board Action: Director Drew made a motion to reject the claim of Paula Johnson. Director Weber seconded the motion.

Motion passed on the following roll call vote:

Weber, Division I	Aye
Drew, Division II	Aye
Miller, Division III	Absent
Morebeck, Division IV	Aye
Wilcox, Division V	Aye

Board Action: Director Drew made a motion to reject the claim of Elizabeth Melugin. Director Weber seconded the motion.

Motion passed on the following roll call vote:

Weber, Division I	Aye
Drew, Division II	Aye
Miller, Division III	Absent
Morebeck, Division IV	Aye
Wilcox, Division V	Aye

Board Action: Director Drew made a motion to reject the claim of Tristan Sullivan. Director Weber seconded the motion.

Motion passed on the following roll call vote:

Weber, Division I	Aye
Drew, Division II	Aye
Miller, Division III	Absent
Morebeck, Division IV	Aye
Wilcox, Division V	Aye

CLOSED SESSION was declared at 11:20 a.m., pursuant to Government Code Section 54957: Public Employee Performance Evaluation – General Manager

#### Board Action: No Action taken

Director Miller left the meeting at 11:36 a.m.

Director Drew left the meeting at 12:45 p.m.

MEETING RECONVENED in regular session at 1:12 p.m., and President Morebeck requested Dustin Cooper, District Counsel to report on actions taken during Closed Session.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 1:15 p.m. to reconvene in regular session on February 28, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. at the District's main office located at 1036 W. Main Street, Grass Valley, California.

	Board	Secretary
Attest a true record of actions had and taken at the above and foregoing meeting our presence		
thereat and our consent thereto.	Director Division I	
	Division II	
	Division III	
	Division IV	
	Division V	