# Nevada Irrigation District Board of Directors MINUTES

October 24, 2018

The Board of Directors of the Nevada Irrigation District convened in regular session at the District's main office located at 1036 W. Main Street, Grass Valley, on the 24th day of October, 2018, at 9:00 a.m.

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

John H. Drew, Vice President (Division II) was absent.

Staff members present included Greg Jones, Assistant General Manager; Chip Close, Water Operations Manager; Gary King, Engineering Manager; Keane Sommers, Hydroelectric Manager, Monica Reyes, Recreation Manager; Jana Kolakowski, Human Resource Manager; Susan Lauer, Communication Specialist; Dustin Cooper, District Counsel; and Kristi Kelly, Management Assistant.

# SPECIAL ORDERS / EMPLOYEE INTRODUCTIONS

Brian Powell, Maintenance Manager, introduced new employees Dave Taylor, Utility Worker I and Bobby Newkirk, Utility Worker I

#### PRESENTATION - GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN

Chip Close, Water Operations Manager, introduced Brett Story, Principal Management Analyst from Placer County, who provided an update on Sustainable Groundwater Management Act activities by the West Placer Groundwater Sustainability Agency, and an update regarding the development of the required Groundwater Sustainability Plan.

# **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following members of the public addressed the Board:

- Syd Brown, member of the Public, requested that the Board pull Item 3 –October 9, 2018 Special Board Meeting Minutes from the Consent Agenda for discussion
- Matthew Coulter, resident of Nevada County, addressed the Board regarding the October 9, 2018 Special Board Meeting, the DS Ditch and Wolf Creek pollution
- Al Wolf, member of the public and Navy Veteran, addressed the Board regarding the Reber Plan and in support of the Centennial Reservoir
- Kurt Lorins, resident of Nevada County, addressed the Board about living within means, greed and in opposition of Centennial Reservoir

- Dianna Suarez, resident of Colfax, addressed the Board on behalf of stakeholders in opposition of the Centennial Reservoir
- Melinda Booth, Executive Director of SYRCL (South Yuba River Citizens League), addressed the Board regarding the October 9, 2018 Special Board Meeting
- Pamela Osgood, resident of Grass Valley, addressed the Board regarding the October 9, 2018 Special Board Meeting
- Marin Lipowitz, resident of Cedar Ridge, led a pledge to the Earth, and addressed the Board regarding the Raw Water Master Plan and the Centennial Reservoir
- Stephanie Curon, member of the public addressed the Board regarding Centennial Reservoir spending and increase of water rates
- Tracy Sheehan, with Foothills Water Network, addressed the Board regarding spending on the Centennial Reservoir and transparency
- Mike Pasner, owner of Indian Springs Organic Farm in Penn Valley, addressed the Board regarding the October 9, 2018 Special Board Meeting, the Integrative Vegetation Management Working Group and herbicide use

President Morebeck pulled the following items from the Consent Agenda:

- Item 3 Minutes of October 9, 2018 Special Meeting, at the request of Syd Brown, member of the public
- Item 8 First Amendment to Funding Agreements for District Financed Waterline Extension – Table Meadow Road, at the request of Director Miller

# MINUTES - September 19, 2018 Special Meeting

Director Wilcox made a motion to approve the minutes of the special meeting on September 19, 2018, as submitted. Director Miller seconded the motion.

# Motion passed on the following roll call vote:

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

#### MINUTES - September 26, 2018 Regular Meeting

Director Wilcox made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on September 26, 2018, as submitted. Director Miller seconded the motion.

## Motion passed on the following roll call vote:

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

### EMPLOYEE RELATIONS – Weber Resignation (Res. No. 2018-27)

Director Wilcox made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2018-27 (Resolution of Appreciation upon Resignation – Nancy Weber). Director Miller seconded the motion.

Motion passed on the following roll call vote:

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

# EMPLOYEE RELATIONS – Drew Resignation (Res. No. 2018-28)

Director Wilcox made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2018-28 (Resolution of Appreciation upon Resignation – John H. Drew). Director Miller seconded the motion.

Motion passed on the following roll call vote:

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

### EMPLOYEE RELATIONS – Kelly Retirement (Res. No. 2018-29)

Director Wilcox made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2018-29 (Resolution of Appreciation upon Retirement – Kristi Kelly). Director Miller seconded the motion.

Motion passed on the following roll call vote:

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

# EMPLOYEE RELATIONS - Smith Retirement (Res. No. 2018-30)

Director Wilcox made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2018-30 Resolution of Appreciation upon Retirement – Dale Smith). Director Miller seconded the motion.

Motion passed on the following roll call vote:

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

# FIRST AMENDMENT TO FUNDING AGREEMENTS FOR DISTRICT FINANCED WATERLINE EXTENSION – TABLE MEADOW ROAD:

Director Wilcox made a motion to approve First Amendment with property owner French. Director Weber seconded the motion

Motion passed on the following roll call vote:

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

# MINUTES - October 9, 2018 Special Meeting

Public Comment:

- Matthew Coulter, member of the public
- Syd Brown, member of the public
- Ashley Overhouse, Policy Manager, SYRCL (South Yuba River Citizens League)
- Dianna Suarez, resident of Colfax
- Pamela Osgood, resident of Grass Valley
- Richard Thomas, resident of Nevada City
- Melinda Booth, Executive Director, SYRCL (South Yuba River Citizens League)

Director Wilcox made a motion to approve the minutes of the special meeting on October 9, 2018, as submitted, and to include the following attachments:

- Five Page Letter from SYRCL including their proposed resolution verbiage
- SYRCL's PowerPoint Presentation
- Adopted Resolution No. 2018-26 Reprioritization of the Centennial Water Supply Project
- NID Staff PowerPoint Presentation
- Final Transcript
- Link to Balance of the SYRCL Agenda Item

Director Weber seconded the motion.

Motion passed on the following roll call vote:

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

#### WARRANTS/FINANCIALS

Director Wilcox made a motion to approve warrants/financials as submitted. Director Weber seconded the motion.

#### **Public Comment:**

- Syd Brown, member of the public

# Motion passed on the following roll call vote:

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

# SCOTTS FLAT CAMPGROUND WORK - GATE #2 (FATR #2220)

Brian Powell, Maintenance Manager, presented the item.

Director Wilcox made a motion to award a contract to C & D Contractors, Inc. of Nevada City, California, in the amount of \$164,264.00, for the Scotts Flat Campground Work – Gate #2 (FATR #2220), and authorize the General Manager to execute the necessary documents. Director Miller seconded the item.

# Motion passed on the following roll call vote:

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

#### GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Greg Jones, Assistant General Manager, reported on the following items:

- Recent Watershed Open House held at The Gold Miner's Inn
- Update regarding public input process for Raw Water Master Plan Update
- Announced that website is live at www.planforwater.org
- Draft Rate Report anticipated to be presented to the Board in November
- Enterprise Resource Package is underway and RFP anticipated to be generated for that software program relatively soon
- Update regarding water levels at Combie Reservoir
- Rock Creek Intertie update
- Maben Phase 2 construction on going on E. Lime Kiln Road
- East Hacienda Control Station, Alta Sierra Tank Replacement and office renovation are out to bid
- Hemphill TAC meeting was held October 23, 2018
- Loma Rica Reservoir cleaning is done for this year
- Ditch Tender's House roof has been replaced
- Contractor is working on trash rack replacement at Combie Reservoir
- Intertie between Alta Sierra and Lake of the Pines is operable
- Combie Sediment Removal Project update
- Storage and Precipitation update
- Conservation update

#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS' ITEMS / REPORTS

Director Wilcox reported on the following items:

- Thanked the District for the Watershed Event and highlighted the Meter Program. He suggested that the Meter Program be presented at a future Board Meeting
- Shared highlights from recent visit to Combie Sediment Removal Project site

# President Morebeck reported on the following items:

- Attended the Harvest Hoedown event put on by the Placer County Farm Bureau

# President Weber reported on the following items:

- Shared highlights from recently attended CABY working group meeting
- Announced that she will be attending a Mountain Counties Water Resources Association event regarding California Water Fix to be held October 26th

# PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY ITEM TO BE CONSIDERED IN CLOSED SESSION

- Michael Rainey, owner of property on Wet Hill Road, Nevada City, addressed the Board regarding claim item
- Tracy Sheehan with Foothills Water Network, addressed the Board regarding the property negotiation Closed Session item and requested that the Board stop purchasing properties for the Centennial Reservoir.

#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING SCHEDULE

Director Wilcox made a motion to cancel the meetings of November 28, 2018 and December 26, 2018. Director Miller seconded the motion.

Motion passed on the following roll call vote:

Aye
Absent
Aye
Aye
Aye

Meeting recessed at. 11:39 a.m. and reconvened at 11:45 a.m. in Closed Session.

<u>CLOSED SESSION</u> was declared at 11:45 a.m., pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 to confer with District Counsel regarding pending litigation – Claim: Wet Hill Road, Nevada City.

Board Action: Director Wilcox made a motion to deny the claim. Director Morebeck seconded the motion.

Motion passed on the following roll call vote:

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

<u>CLOSED SESSION</u> was declared at 11:45 a.m., pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8 to confer with Real Property Negotiators Scherzinger and/or District Counsel regarding price and terms of payment; the property subject to negotiation is Nevada County Assessor's Parcel Number 27-090-26.

Board Action: Director Wilcox made a motion to authorize the General Manager to execute the Purchase Agreement for Nevada County Assessor's Parcel Number 27-090-26, in the amount of \$300,000, subject to any contingencies set forth in the Purchase Agreement. Director Miller seconded the motion.

Motion passed on the following roll call vote:

Weber, Division I	No
Drew, Division II	Absent
Miller, Division III	Aye
Morebeck, Division IV	Aye
Wilcox, Division V	Aye

MEETING RECONVENED in regular session at 12:23 p.m.

Dustin Cooper, District Counsel, reported on actions taken during Closed Session.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 12:25 p.m., and will reconvene on Wednesday, November 14, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. at the District's Business Center located at 1036 West 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	