

MINUTES  
SPECIAL MEETING  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
PARADISE IRRIGATION DISTRICT  
AUGUST 29, 2018

The special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Paradise Irrigation District was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by President Dan Wentland.

OPENING

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Directors Marc Sulik, Vice-President Anne Rice, Bob Prevot, Bill Kellogg, and President Dan Wentland

ROLL CALL

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: District Manager Ed Fortner, CFO/Treasurer Kevin Phillips, T&D Superintendent Keith O'Brien, Assistant Superintendent Jim Ladrini, Assistant Engineer Neil Essila, WTP Superintendent Jim Passanisi, WTP Operations Supervisor Bill Taylor, Information Systems Manager Mickey Rich, and Secretary Georgeanna Borrayo

ALSO PRESENT: Members of the public

Ward Habriel commented the PID Demonstration Garden may be a good location for an educational fire wise landscaping and fire safe building exhibit. If the Board is open to considering this idea, donated materials and labor may be available.

PUBLIC  
PARTICIPATION  
(Item 2)

President Wentland announced closed session discussion pertaining to agenda item 3.a. and 3.b. As there were no comments, the Board adjourned to closed session at 9:04 a.m. to discuss the following:

CLOSED SESSION  
(Item 3.a. & 3.b.)

- 3.a. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Government Code § 54957.6)  
Employee organizations: General Unit represented by I.B.E.W., Local 1245 and Management Unit represented by Teamsters, Local 137  
PID designated representative: Emily LaMoe

*Closed Session Announcement: Direction has been given to the PID designated representative.*

- 3.b. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION (Paragraph (a) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9): Neil Essila et al v. Paradise Irrigation District et al. Butte County Superior Court Case No. 17CV02546.

*Closed Session Announcement: Direction has been given to Legal Counsel.*

President Wentland reconvened the special meeting at 10:03 a.m. and provided a closed session announcement regarding agenda item 3.a. and 3.b. as listed above in italicized print.

CLOSED SESSION  
ANNOUNCEMENT

Manager Fortner reported at the August 15, 2018 Board of Directors meeting the proposed Water Quality Technician position was tabled for further discussion with the Union (I.B.E.W., Local 1245). During a recent labor negotiation meeting, the Water Quality Technician Job Description was approved and initialed by the Union as

UNFINISHED  
BUSINESS:  
WATER QUALITY  
TECHNICIAN

CONTINUED –  
WATER QUALITY  
TECHNICIAN JOB  
DESCRIPTION  
APPROVED  
(Item 5.a.)

proposed. Staff further confirmed this is not a new position. The Water Treatment Department has an authorized Distribution System Operator position, which is vacant. This is a change in the job title and job description, which realigns the water quality responsibilities to better focus the abilities, skills, and resources necessary for the position, in particular, water sampling in the distribution system and analysis at the treatment plant.

It was moved by Director Rice and seconded by Director Prevot to authorize revising the Distribution Operator Job Description and duties and changing the title to Water Quality Technician and approve the proposed Job Description for Water Quality Technician.

AYES: Directors Sulik, Rice, Prevot, Kellogg, and Wentland

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

**Motion passes 5-0**

NEW BUSINESS:

BUDGET  
WORKSHOP  
(Item 6.a.)

CFO Phillips provided a presentation for review of the District's expenditure plan and to identify the resources and revenues available to fund it and support the priorities and policies of the Board of Directors. Following a budget overview and cash projection, as well as discussion regarding major and minor capital projects with staff, President Wentland adjourned the budget workshop to recess at 12:06 p.m.

MEETING  
RECONVENED –  
BUDGET  
WORKSHOP  
CONTINUED

President Wentland reconvened the special meeting at 12:45 p.m. to continue the budget workshop. Board members provided further input and recommendations for updates to the draft budget. Additional director comments included the potential to add a Water Treatment Plant Maintenance position and suggestions for revamping the budget format for the next fiscal year.

ADJOURNMENT

At the conclusion of questions and comments regarding the draft budget, President Wentland moved to adjourn the special meeting. The special meeting was adjourned at 2:03 p.m.

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Georgeanna Borrayo, Secretary

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Daniel Wentland, President