

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
PARADISE IRRIGATION DISTRICT
OCTOBER 17, 2018

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Paradise Irrigation District was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Dan Wentland, followed by an Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

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, and Secretary Georgeanna Borraro

ALSO PRESENT: Members of the public

Board members reviewed consent calendar items as follows:

APPROVAL OF
CONSENT
CALENDAR
(Item 2.a. – 2.b.)

2.a. Approval of Meeting Agenda Order

2.b. Approval of Minutes: Special Meeting of August 29, 2018
Regular Meeting of September 19, 2018
Special Meeting of October 8, 2018

It was moved by Director Rice and seconded by Director Prevot to approve the consent calendar as presented.

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Motion passes 5-0

Ward Habriel commented on the November 6 General Election, and positive feedback he has received regarding plans to add a fire safe demonstration exhibit at the PID garden site. This is a great example of agencies working together.

PUBLIC
PARTICIPATION
(Item 3)

George Medina referenced the informational update and discussion item on the September 19, 2018 Board of Directors meeting regarding a potential trail from Magalia Reservoir to Paradise Lake. Mr. Medina indicated his property is adjoining the PID watershed and voiced concerns about the proposed trail; adding he has surveyed his immediate neighbors and they feel the same. As a resident in the area of the proposed trail, he sees homeless camps, people trespassing on all-terrain vehicles and motorcycles, and hears gunshots in the early hours of the morning. Opening this area as a trail for public access will likely accelerate these issues and could cause damage to the watershed.

Board members received an update from International City County Management Association Retirement Corporation (ICMA-RC) regarding the District's employee retirement program. Regional Vice President Shawn Baker and Retirement Plan Specialist Ornella Grosz provided an overview regarding the transition to ICMA, participant meetings, and ICMA's fiduciary education series and role for plan sponsors. *Informational item only; no Board action taken.*

PRESENTATION
FROM ICMA RE:
PID EMPLOYEE
RETIREMENT
PROGRAM
(Item 4)

SEPTEMBER, 2018
STAFF & BILLING
REPORTS
ACCEPTED
(Item 5.a & 5.b.)

Board members reviewed written Staff and Billing Reports. President Wentland commented on the sealed meters in service shown on page one of the Billing Report. He has received comments from customers regarding the sealed meter rate and recommended placing this on the agenda for discussion at a future meeting.

It was moved by Director Rice and seconded by Director Sulik to accept the Staff and Billing Reports for the month of September, 2018 as presented.

AYES: Directors Sulik, Rice, Prevot, Kellogg, and Wentland
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Motion passes 5-0

DISTRICT
MANAGER'S
REPORT
(Item 6)

Manager Fortner highlighted information outlined in a written Manager's Report pertaining to the Reservoir B Design Project, Spillway Investigation, AMR Project Update, and Water Rights. Staff is scheduled to meet with the District's consultant, Wagner & Bonsignore, on October 15, 2018 to discuss the water rights activity and requirements.

TREASURER'S
MEMO FOR PERIOD
ENDING 09/30/2018
(Item 7)

Board members reviewed a written Treasurer's Report for the period ending September 30, 2018. It was moved by Director Rice and seconded by Director Prevot to accept the Treasurer's memo as presented.

AYES: Directors Sulik, Rice, Prevot, Kellogg, and Wentland
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Motion passes 5-0

APPROVAL OF
CHECKS FOR THE
MONTH OF
SEPTEMBER, 2018
(Item 8)

Board members reviewed accounts payable reports for the month of September, 2018. It was moved by Director Rice and seconded by President Wentland to approve General Fund check numbers 52350 through 52458 for the month of September, 2018 totaling \$601,673.48, and authorization of a similar amount allowing or adjusting for extraordinary budget or Board approved items during the month of October.

AYES: Directors Sulik, Rice, Prevot, Kellogg, and Wentland
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Motion passes 5-0

LEGAL REPORT

There is no legal report this evening.

UNFINISHED
BUSINESS –
PROPOSED POLICY
REVISIONS RE:
PRIVATE
DISTRIBUTION
PIPELINES
ADOPTED
(Item 10.a.)

Manager Fortner reported this item is continued from the September 19, 2018 regular meeting regarding PID Policy and Procedures Manual, section 6.7 - Private Distribution Pipelines, and section 6.8 – Customer Service Lines. Staff has made a few minor revisions following the last Board meeting to clarify repairs or replacement will be at District cost, and should property owners of a private distribution pipeline wish to dedicate that infrastructure to PID, title to the pipeline and right-of-way may be conveyed to the District.

It was moved by Director Kellogg and seconded by Director Prevot to adopt the proposed revisions to PID Policy and Procedures Manual sections 6.7 and 6.8 as presented.

AYES: Directors Sulik, Rice, Prevot, Kellogg, and Wentland
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Motion passes 5-0

Manager Fortner reported the information presented represents the culmination of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) process related to the Reservoir B Replacement Project. The Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) has been circulated for a 30 day public scoping period to local, state and federal agencies and to interested organizations and individuals for public review and comments from August 22, 2018 through September 20, 2018. Two comment letters were received and responses to comments have been provided in a memo from Stantec dated October 2, 2018. There are no changes that need to be made to the public draft IS/MND.

NEW BUSINESS:

RESERVOIR B
REPLACEMENT
PROJECT –
RESOLUTION NO.
2018-12 ADOPTED
RE: CEQA INITIAL
STUDY/MITIGATED
NEGATIVE DEC.
(Item 11.a.)

It was moved by President Wentland and seconded by Director Rice to adopt Resolution 2018-12 adopting the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Zone A Pump Station, Transmission Main, and Reservoir B Replacement Project (SCH# 2018082044), and adopt a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, and direct staff to file the Notice of Determination with the Butte County Clerk-Recorder's Office, the State Revolving Fund Financial Assistance Program, and the State Office of Planning and Research within 5 days. Directors' votes were polled as follows by roll call:

AYES: Directors Sulik, Rice, Prevot, Kellogg, and Wentland
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Motion passes 5-0

President Wentland called for a Board recess at 8:27 p.m.

BOARD RECESS

President Wentland reconvened the regular meeting at 8:37 p.m.

MEETING
RECONVENED

I was moved by President Wentland and seconded by Director Sulik to authorize approval of a \$7,000 expenditure to Bidwell Title Company for title research related to right-of-way/easement for the construction of the Zone A transmission pipeline proposed under the Reservoir B Replacement Project.

RESERVOIR B
REPLACEMENT
PROJECT – TITLE
RESEARCH
(Item 11.b.)

AYES: Directors Sulik, Rice, Prevot, Kellogg, and Wentland
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Motion passes 5-0

Manager Fortner reported the District has prepared a 2018 Triennial Comparison of Public Health Goals to the District's Water Quality. This report is a requirement that identifies potential health contaminants detected in drinking water well below the California Environmental Protection Agency's (Cal-EPA) regulatory limits. The recommended form of motion is to authorize staff to release the Draft 2018 Triennial Public Health Goals Report and notice a public hearing date as November 19, 2018 to consider public comment regarding the draft report.

PUBLIC HEALTH
GOAL REPORT –
SET PUBLIC
HEARING DATE
(Item 11.c. Tabled for
further review)

Director Rice recommended further review and revisions to provide a more brief and concise format for the public, and adding information to explain Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCL) as opposed to Public Health Goals (PHG). Manager Fortner will coordinate draft revisions with WTP Superintendent Jim Passanisi and review with Directors Rice and Sulik prior to presenting changes to the full Board at a future meeting.

Manager Fortner commented on projects that were already under consideration when he came on board as District Manager, and new projects that have come forward since that time. He would like to schedule strategic business planning workshops to update

STRATEGIC
BUSINESS PLAN
(Item 11.d.)

CONTINUED –
STRATEGIC
BUSINESS PLAN
PROCESS

and establish the District’s mission and goals with an initial workshop by the end of the year to obtain input from the Board. Board members expressed support of this direction. Staff will provide potential dates to coordinate a Strategic Business Plan workshop.

NOV. 2018 BOARD
OF DIRECTORS
MEETING – NEW
SPECIAL MEETING
DATE SET ON
NOVEMBER 19, 2018
AT 6:30 PM
(Item 11.e.)

Manager Fortner reported at the January 17, 2018 Board of Directors meeting, action was taken to cancel the regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting of November 21, 2018 and set a special meeting date on November 28, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. He and CFO Phillips are scheduled to attend the Association of California Water Agencies Fall Conference during the week of November 26 and request consideration to revise the special meeting date.

It was moved by Director Sulik and seconded by Director Rice to cancel the special meeting date previously set for November 28, 2018, and set a new special meeting date of the Board of Directors on Monday, November 19, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

AYES: Directors Sulik, Rice, Prevot, Kellogg, and Wentland
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Motion passes 5-0

IBEW LOCAL 1245
CONTRACT
RATIFICATION
APPROVED
(Item 11.f.)

At a meeting of employees in the General Unit represented by IBEW Local 1245, a vote of the General Unit was conducted on October 11, 2018, resulting in the Proposed Tentative Agreement between PID and IBEW Local Union 1245.

It was moved by President Wentland and seconded by Director Rice to ratify the Proposed Tentative Agreement between Paradise Irrigation District and IBEW Local Union 1245 and update the terms of the agreement in the Rules and Regulations Governing Employment Conditions, Salaries, and Benefits for Employees of the Paradise Irrigation District General Unit effective July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

AYES: Directors Sulik, Rice, Prevot, Kellogg, and Wentland
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Motion passes 5-0

TEAMSTERS LOCAL
137 – CONTRACT
RATIFICATION
(Item 11.g. Tabled)

Manager Fortner reported there was a clerical misunderstanding in the Proposed Tentative Agreement between PID and the Management Unit represented by Teamsters Union Local 137. (Agenda item 11.g. to be tabled for consideration at the next Board meeting).

COMMITTEE
REPORTS
(Item 12)

Paradise Lake & Recreation Committee: Directors Kellogg and Sulik highlighted information discussed at the October 9, 2018 Paradise Lake & Recreation Committee meeting. Reports included: 1) Potential opportunities between the Paradise Recreation & Park District and PID; 2) Proposed trail from Magalia Reservoir to Paradise Lake; 3) Goats for grazing services to perform shaded fuel removal work and 4) Project updates.

Butte County Special Districts Association (BCSDA): Director Sulik indicated the BCSDA Executive Board voted in favor of the recommended amendments to the BCSDA Bylaws. The Executive Board will formally vote to adopt the Bylaws as amended at the November meeting.

DIRECTORS’
COMMENTS
(Item 13)

Director Prevot: Commented he has sat on both sides of the table for labor negotiations and it is a tough balancing act. He has been impressed with how PID staff, Board members, and Legal Counsel have come together during the negotiation process.

Director Sulik: Overall, he felt labor negotiations went fairly smooth and thanked the management staff, legal counsel, and the General Unit and Teamsters for working together and coming to an agreement.

CONTINUED -
DIRECTORS'
COMMENTS
(Item 13)

President Wentland: Following the October Board meeting he made a couple calls to representatives of the Gold Nugget Museum to discuss their request for the District to sponsor the placement of a building on their grounds to create a replica "PID Office" to display PID artifacts. When he has an opportunity to speak with someone from the Museum, he will contact Manager Fortner to arrange a meeting.

President Wentland announced closed session items on the agenda. Following public comment, the Board adjourned to closed session at 9:07 p.m. to discuss the following:

CLOSED SESSION
(Item 14.a., 14.b. &
14.c.)

14.a. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Government Code section 54957.6).

Employee Organization: General Unit represented by IBEW Local 1245 and Management Unit represented by Teamsters, Local 137.

PID Designated Representative: Emily LaMoe

Closed Session Announcement:

General Unit represented by IBEW Local 1245 - Board action was taken in open session under agenda item 11.f. to ratify the Proposed Tentative Agreement between PID and IBEW Local Union 1245.

Management Unit represented by Teamsters, Local 137 - Direction given to PID staff to confirm direction with the PID Designated Representative.

14.b. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE (Government Code section 54957).

Closed Session Announcement: *Direction has been given to staff.*

14.c. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Government Code section 54957 (b). Chief Financial Officer

Closed Session Announcement: *Board members completed performance evaluation discussion for the Chief Financial Officer.*

President Wentland reconvened the regular meeting at 10:05 p.m. and provided a closed session announcement regarding agenda items 14.a., 14.b., and 14.c. as listed above in italicized font.

CLOSED SESSION
ANNOUNCEMENT
(Item 15)

It was moved by President Wentland to adjourn the meeting. The regular meeting was adjourned at 10:07 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT


Georgeanna Borraro, Secretary


Anne Rice, Vice President