

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
PARADISE IRRIGATION DISTRICT
JUNE 21, 2023

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Paradise Irrigation District (PID) was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Vice President Bob Matthews followed by The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

OPENING

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Directors Marc Sulik, Chris Rehmann, and Vice President Bob Matthews

ROLL CALL

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: President Shelby Boston and Director Elliott Prest

STAFF PRESENT: District Manager Tom Lando, Finance Manager/Treasurer Brett Goodlin, District Engineer Blaine Allen, WTP Superintendent Bill Taylor, Distribution Superintendent Jeff Hill, Office Manager Tiffany Bowen, Recovery Project Coordinator Erica Freimuth, and Secretary Georgeanna Borrayo

ALSO PRESENT: Consultants Sami Kader and Colleen Boak with Water Works Engineers, Nicole Maddox and Brandon Kanatani with APTIM, and member of the public

Ward Habriel commented on the following: 1) Acknowledged Paradise Irrigation District for the use of the District's parking area for the Paradise Garden Tour June 3 & 4; and 2) Noted the ADA yellow warning pad at the entrance of the PID parking area is not well glued to the surface and may present a tripping hazard.

PUBLIC COMMENT
(Item 2)

Vice President Matthews announced the Board will adjourn to closed session to discuss agenda items 3.a. to 3.d. Following an opportunity for public comment, the Board adjourned to closed session at 8:35 a.m. regarding the following:

CLOSED SESSION
(Item 3.a. to 3.d.)

3.a. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2)). One case.

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

3.b. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS (Government Code section 54956.8).

Property: District owned real properties utilized for road purposes.

Agency Negotiators: Tom Lando, District Manager and District Legal Counsel.

Under Negotiation: Price and terms of potential sale(s).

Closed Session Announcement: Direction has been given to Agency Negotiators.

3.c. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Government Code Section 54957.6)

Agency Designated Representative: Tom Lando, District Manager

Employee Organization: Management Unit represented by Teamsters Local 137

Closed Session Announcement: Direction has been given to Agency Designated Representative.

CONTINUED –
CLOSED SESSION

3.d. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Government Code Section 54957.6)
Agency Designated Representative: Tom Lando, District Manager
Employee Organization: General Unit represented by IBEW Local 1245

Closed Session Announcement: Direction has been given to Agency Designated Representative.

ANNOUNCEMENT
FROM CLOSED
SESSION

Vice President Matthews reconvened the regular meeting at 9:15 a.m. and provided closed session announcement information as listed in italicized print under each closed session item above.

APPROVAL OF
CONSENT
CALENDAR
(Item 5.a. & 5.b.)

Board members reviewed consent calendar items as follows:

- 5.a. Approval of Meeting Agenda Order
- 5.b. Approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting of May 17, 2023

District Manager Tom Lando reported New Business item 10.f. regarding Contract Ratification – Teamsters Local 137, will be tabled and continued to a future meeting. It was moved by Director Sulik and seconded by Director Rehmann to approve the Consent Calendar as amended with the exclusion of new business item 10.f.

AYES: Directors Sulik, Rehmann, and Vice President Matthews
NOES: None
ABSENT: President Boston and Director Prest

Motion passes 3-0

ACCEPTANCE OF
TREASURER'S
REPORT FOR
PERIOD ENDING
MAY 31, 2023
(Item 6.a.)

Board members reviewed a written Treasurer's Report prepared by Finance Manager / Treasurer Brett Goodlin for the period ending May 31, 2023, highlighting the District's cash position, debt service analysis, and operational overview.

It was moved by Director Rehmann and seconded by Director Sulik to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented for the period ending May 31, 2023.

AYES: Directors Sulik, Rehmann, and Vice President Matthews
NOES: None
ABSENT: President Boston and Director Prest

Motion passes 3-0

EXPENSE
APPROVAL
REPORT FOR THE
MONTH OF MAY
2023 APPROVED
(Item 6.b.)

Board members reviewed accounts payable expense reports for the month of May 2023. It was moved by Director Rehmann and seconded by Director Sulik to approve payments consisting of check numbers 57923, 57924, 57941, and 57942 in the amount of \$230,582.72, and electronic payments of \$1,004,799.04 by EFT for the month of May 2023 for total payments of \$1,235,381.76, excluding voided check number 57940, and authorization of a similar amount allowing or adjusting for extraordinary budget or Board approved items during the month of June 2023.

AYES: Directors Sulik, Rehmann, and Vice President Matthews
NOES: None
ABSENT: President Boston and Director Prest

Motion passes 3-0

Board members reviewed the proposed Budget presented by Treasurer Goodlin for Fiscal Year 2023-2024, highlighting total projected revenue, operating expenditures, and capital projects, along with Long-Term Financial Planning Projections.

It was moved by Director Sulik and seconded by Director Rehmann to adopt the Paradise Irrigation District Financial Plan for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 as presented.

AYES: Directors Sulik, Rehmann, and Vice President Matthews

NOES: None

ABSENT: President Boston and Director Prest

Motion passes 3-0

Board members reviewed written Staff and Consultant Report updates provided in the agenda packet. Additional discussion included: 1) Status update regarding zoning approval to install an electronic sign; 2) Water Supply Recovery Program Update from Water Works Engineers. Consultants noted in May the Meter Installation and Service Lateral Replacement Project installed 109 service laterals. The goal is to continue focus on service laterals in advance of the Town of Paradise paving project, as well as priority installations to support building permits; and 3) Post Fire Disaster Public Assistance & Recovery Management Services update from Aptim Environmental & Infrastructure. Consultant Nicole Maddox reported working with CalOES mitigation staff to set up an initial scoping meeting to discuss additional funding for Magalia Dam construction. Development of the Financial Dashboard tool is progressing. A demonstration will be provided at the August meeting.

Finance Committee: Director Rehmann reported discussion at the June 8, 2023, meeting included the following: 1) Potential budgeting software. The committee has decided to postpone this for the time being and begin researching vendors in September; 2) Review of Financial Policies of the District; 3) Review and approval of proposed Budget presented to the Board this evening; and 4) Investment Management. Meeder Investments is scheduled to provide an update at the Finance Committee meeting in September.

Community Relations: Director Sulik indicated business at the June 13, 2023 Community Relations Committee meeting included a community relations activity update from Cedar Creek and continued messaging and outreach to download the DropCounter app to monitor water use, as well as distribution of a postcard announcing an employment opportunity at PID for a Distribution System Operator position.

Town of Paradise / PID Liaison Committee Meeting: District Manager Tom Lando reported the Town of Paradise and the Paradise Irrigation District Liaison Committee meeting scheduled on Tuesday, June 20, 2023, at 3:30 p.m. was cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances. The next meeting is scheduled on Wednesday, September 6, 2023 at 3:30 p.m.

Unfinished Business: No unfinished business to report.

Water Treatment Plant Superintendent Bill Taylor reported the District is awaiting Environmental Protection Agency results from the first and second rounds of UCMR5 sampling (PFAS). On May 31, 2023, the District pulled its own sample for PFAS using the same analysis methods as the UCMR. Results received yesterday indicate all PFAS constituents are non-detect in groundwater and surface water.

Information item only; no action taken.

PID FISCAL YEAR
2023-2024
PROPOSED
BUDGET
APPROVED
(Item 10.a.1 & 2)

PID STAFF &
CONSULTANT
REPORT UPDATES
(Item 7.a. – 7.h.)

COMMITTEE
REPORTS
(Item 8.a. – 8.c.)

UNFINISHED
BUSINESS (Item 9)

NEW BUSINESS:
PFAS
ENVIRONMENTAL
& DRINKING
WATER
MONITORING
(Item 10.b.)

RESOLUTION NO.
2023-06
AUTHORIZING
SURPLUS
PROPERTY
ADOPTED
(Item 10.c.)

Staff reported the proposed resolution identifies surplus property deemed inoperable, unsafe, or no longer necessary for District purposes consisting of a 2007 Chevy Truck (Unit No. 32), multiple mobile devices, and two Ingersoll Rand Compressors and associated parts.

It was moved by President Rehmann and seconded by Director Sulik to adopt Resolution No. 2023-06 declaring surplus property no longer necessary for district purposes and authorizing the District Manager to direct staff to dispose of surplus items identified in the resolution in the most cost effective and practical manner possible. Directors' votes were polled as follows by roll call:

AYES: Directors Sulik, Rehmann, and Vice President Matthews

NOES: None

ABSENT: President Boston and Director Prest

Motion passes 3-0

2023 ACWA
ELECTIONS:
RESOLUTION NO.
2023-07 ADOPTED
IN SUPPORT OF
NOMINATION OF
CATHY GREEN
(Item 10.d.)

Staff reported ACWA's Board officers' election is currently underway. Cathy Green has reached out to Paradise Irrigation District requesting consideration for the District's support as a candidate for the position of ACWA President for the 2024-2025 term.

It was moved by Director Sulik and seconded by Director Rehmann to adopt Resolution No. 2023-07 in support of the nomination of Cathy Green as a candidate for the position of ACWA President. Directors' votes were polled as follows by roll call:

AYES: Directors Sulik, Rehmann, and Vice President Matthews

NOES: None

ABSENT: President Boston and Director Prest

Motion passes 3-0

DRINKING WATER
FILL STATION AT
PID OFFICE TO BE
DISCONTINUED
EFFECTIVE
SEPT. 1, 2023
(Item 10.e.)

District Manager Tom Lando indicated this agenda item is presented for discussion and possible direction to staff regarding the PID drinking water fill station located at the District Office, 6332 Clark Road. Distribution Superintendent Jeff Hill reported the fill station has been available for nearly five years following the 2018 Camp Fire and the District has noticed RV's and trailers filling their tanks at the fill station for recreational use. Board members considered whether to discontinue the fill station and agreed if the decision is to discontinue, advance notice should be provided to customers and posted on the website.

It was moved by Director Sulik and seconded by Director Rehmann to discontinue the water fill station at the PID District Office effective September 1, 2023.

AYES: Directors Sulik, Rehmann, and Vice President Matthews

NOES: None

ABSENT: President Boston and Director Prest

Motion passes 3-0

CONTRACT
RATIFICATION –
TEAMSTERS
LOCAL 137
(Item 10.f. Tabled)

As reported during discussion of the consent calendar, new business item 10.f. regarding Contract Ratification with Teamsters Local 137 has been tabled and will be continued to a future meeting.

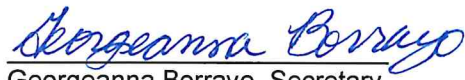
Item tabled; No Board Action taken.

DIRECTORS'
COMMENTS

Director Rehmann: Extended congratulations to all team members that worked on the Zone A Pipeline on Skyway and completed the Butte County section of the project five days ahead of schedule.

There being no further business, it was moved by Vice President Bob Matthews to adjourn the regular meeting. The regular meeting of the PID Board of Directors was adjourned at 10:16 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT OF
MEETING


Georgeanna Borrayo, Secretary


Bob Matthews, Vice President

