EXETER IRRIGATION DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
150 South E Street
Exeter, California

November 14, 2024

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Exeter Irrigation District was called to order by President Ferrara at 1:30 p.m. Directors present were Joe Ferrara, Greg Crosson, Bob Ward Keith Cosart, and David Nielsen. Others Present were Office Manager Selena Rossman, Tri-District Water Authority Controller Janice Daniel and Growers Craig Hornung. General Manager Gene Kilgore called in.

PUBLIC COMMENT
President Ferrara opened the floor for public comments, none were presented.

ANNOUNCEMENTS,
Mr. Kilgore congratulated Director Ward on his re-election to the Board of Directors.

Mr. Kilgore reported Director Cosart attended the Friant Water Authority Board meeting on October 24, 2024, and November 14, 2024. Director Ferrara attended the East Kaweah GSA Board meeting on October 28, 2024, the Special East Kaweah Board meeting on November 13, 2024 and South Valley Water Association meeting on November 12, 2024

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA
President Ferrara called for the acceptance of the Agenda. The Agenda was accepted as presented.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
President Ferrara called for the approval of the October, 2024, Board meeting. On motion by Director Crossen, seconded by Director Cosart and unanimously carried, the Minutes were approved with correction to Warrants/Accounts Payable motion, should have read seconded by Director Nielsen.

WARRANTS/ACCOUNTS PAYABLES
Ms. Daniels presented September's Payroll and Accounts Payables, which amounted to $552,312.78 collectively. There was Petty cash expenditures reported. Following review and discussion, on motion by Director Crossen, seconded by Director Ward, and unanimously carried, the Board approved October's expenditures as presented and ordered payments of warrants #40948-41032 inclusive, and included herewith as Exhibit "A".

SECRETARY/TREASURER REPORT

Ms. Daniels presented the Financial Statements and Reports prepared for October, noting deposits of $450,000 and receivables of $721,757.96. As of October 31st , the District had an active ending bank balances in the Bank of Sierra and Bank of America, of $903,070.25 and -$52,428.53, respectively. Both banking accounts amounted to $850,641.72, a decrease of $298,496.52 from the previous month's ending balances. Investments amounted to $3,315,269.29, an increase of 5,082.87. Total District funds amounted to $4,165,911.01. Following review and discussion, on motion by Director Crossen, seconded by Director Ward, and unanimously carried, the Financial Reports were approved as presented and ordered to be placed on file, copies of which are included herewith as Exhibit "B." Ms. Rossman provided the Grower Delinquent Accounts summary showing delinquent balances for 2021, 2022, and 2023 amounted to $2,365.13, $4,640.22, and $7,772.51, respectively. Property liens have been filed on delinquent accounts. Mr. Kilgore reviewed the current budget variances not previously reported.

WATER SUPPLY

Mr. Kilgore reported that the District delivered 656 acre-feet of Class 1 in October for irrigation demands and transferred out 56 acre-feet to Lindmore Irrigation District Water. Irrigation deliveries to date totaled 15,361 acre-feet, leaving a balance to be delivered of 2,133 acre-feet. There was no recordable precipitation in September. As of November 14th, approximate reservoir conditions for Shasta, Millerton and San Luis were 2,533,854 acre-feet, 208,775 acre-feet and not reported, respectively.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Kilgore reported staff continues to work on leaks. Ms. Rossman has requested a Caltrans encroachment permit to repair a leak along the south side of highway 198 on the 3 Line.

The lease agreement for the KEX property has been fully executed.

TRI-DISTRICT WATER AUTHORITY

Mr. Kilgore presented the response letter to Stone Corral Irrigation District's request to withdraw from the Authority and their request to waive the 6-month term 100% compensation period. The Board deferred action until Stone Corral Irrigation District concurred with the District's response letter.

TERMINATION OF MINASIAN LAW FIRM AS DISTRICT COUNSEL

Mr. Kilgore presented a draft termination letter for approval to notify Minasian Law Firm that the District will no longer need their service as the District's general counsel. On motion by Director Nielsen, seconded by Director Ward, and unanimously carried, the approved the termination letter.

FRIANT WATER AUTHORITY

Mr. Kilgore reported that Friant continues to work though the Drought Pool points of negotiations, the recent lawsuit filed by CVP contractors, and the FWA off-site meeting that will be held on the week of November 18, 2024.

SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT:

Mr. Kilgore and Mr. Hornung provided an update of the EKGSA activities.

Mr. Kilgore reported he would be meeting with the engineering consultants to develop a permit and construction schedule for the Yokohl Recharge Project.

SOUTH VALLEY WATER AUTHORITY

Director Ferrara attended the November 12, 2024 year end meeting to discuss the potential for future partnerships.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board convened to Closed Session at 2:31 p.m.

RECONVENED TO OPEN SESSION

The Board convened to Closed Session at 2:52 p.m.

PURCHASE OF PAREGIEN PROPERTY APN #111-190-025

The Board discusses the purchase of 49.56 acres, APN 111-190-025, at $19,500 per-acre. On motion by Director Cosart, seconded by Director Ward, and unanimously carried, the approved the purchase of the Paregien acreage of 49.56 acres at $19,500.

ADJOURNMENT

President Ferrara adjourned the Board meeting at 2:56 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Exeter Irrigation District Board of Directors is scheduled for Thursday, December 12, 2024, at 1:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gene Kilgore

Secretary/Manager