MINUTES OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
OF THE TURLOCK IRRIGATION DISTRICT

Turlock, California
27 June, 2017

The meeting of the Board of Directors of the Turlock Irrigation District was called to order at 9:00 a.m. in regular session on the 27th day of June 2017. Present were: Directors Joe Alamo (President), Charles Fernandes (Vice-President), Michael Frantz (Secretary), Rob Santos (via teleconference) and Ron Macedo; General Manager Casey Hashimoto and Deputy Secretary to the Board Dorinda Soiseth.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

MOTION APPROVING CONSENT CALENDAR

Moved by Director Fernandes seconded by Director Macedo, that the consent calendar consisting of the following be approved:

A. Minutes of the regular meeting of June 20, 2017.
B. Demands against the District represented by check numbers 364230 to 364454 in the amount of $5,682,175.36.

All voted in favor with none opposed (Director Santos voted yes via teleconference). The President declared the motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Customer Darrell Monroe addressed the Board concerning TID’s sidegate policy. Mr. Monroe stated he understood sidegates would be for sale to the public, but when he contacted staff he was told sidegates were not available. Mr. Monroe questioned whether the policy had changed. General Manager Casey Hashimoto stated he would look into the matter and get back to him.

WEEKLY UPDATES

Wes Monier, Strategic Issues and Planning Department Manager, provided information about the snowpack and related runoff, and advised that runoff has been higher and faster than average due to the increased temperatures. He reported on the strategies used to predict releases and reservoir levels, and said that the previous night’s decrease in temperature will slow the runoff. He noted that the reservoir is rising about .2 feet per day and may go up to .3 or .4 feet per day. The intent is to look at total system storage including Hetch Hetchy which he anticipates will be full in five days. Releases will be set at 500 to 1,000 cfs below the full natural flow to allow the reservoir to come up.
Jason Carkeet, Utility Analyst, reported on current water conditions and precipitation forecast. Accumulated precipitation measured at the three mountain stations in the Tuolumne River watershed from September 1, 2016 to present total 63.67 inches, or 178.4 percent of normal to date. Snow sensors are 129.4 percent of average to date. Computed natural flow is averaging 14,000 cfs. San Francisco reservoirs contain 615,033 acre-feet. Don Pedro contains 1,966,032 acre-feet. Average combined releases are at 10,180 cubic feet per second with 2,249 cfs going to TID, 893 cfs to Modesto Irrigation District, and the remaining 7,038 cfs going to the Tuolumne River. Don Pedro Water Bank is at 708,016 acre-feet of credit and Turlock Lake contains 31,380 acre-feet of water. Jason commented that this will be the wettest year on record in terms of runoff.

Mike Kavarian, Water Distribution Department Manager, reviewed irrigation activity for the period of June 19 – 25. The call center received 2,667 orders during this period. Activity for this period show flows ranged between 1,555 and 1,750 cfs. Actual daily releases from Turlock Lake averaged 1,674 cfs, 330 cfs above projections. On Friday, the decision was made to keep releases at Turlock Lake to 1,650 to 1,670 cfs, which resulted in higher than normal spills the past weekend, but staff has documented who received the water. Mr. Kavarian complimented his staff on doing a great job of taking care of the extra irrigation water orders generated by the high temperatures. Director Alamo asked if the Water Distribution Operators were using the same standard of irrigation water monitoring as they did during the recent drought years. Mr. Kavarian noted that the current irrigation staff has only experienced drought situations which did not allow for spills, but he conveyed to them that it is acceptable to allow some spills this year. Director Alamo commented that it is better to run the extra water this year to help replenish groundwater levels.

RESOLUTION NO. 2017 – 42

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PREPARATION OF PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS, AN ESTIMATE OF THE COST AND A STATEMENT OF THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENT FOR PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS IN IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 15880, TO BE KNOWN AS THE TRZ PUMP

WHEREAS, the Turlock Irrigation District Water Resources Administration was directed by this Board of Directors of the Turlock Irrigation District to make a Survey of the proposed improvements to be made in proposed Improvement District No. 15880, to be known as the TRZ Pump, as set forth in the petition requesting the formation of such proposed improvement district, and a Survey has been duly prepared and has been presented to and carefully considered by the Board of Directors of the Turlock Irrigation District; and

WHEREAS, the Survey prepared by the Water Resources Administration shows the proposed improvements are feasible.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Turlock Irrigation District Water Resources Administration prepare the Detailed Engineer’s Report containing the following:

a) Plans and Specifications of the improvements proposed to be acquired.
b) An Estimate of the Cost of the proposed improvements which may include an amount not in excess of 10 percent of the aggregate cost of the proposed improvements to create a reserve fund to be used and applied as additional security for the payment of principal of and interest on any warrants of the improvement district issued against assessments levied for the payment of the cost of the proposed improvement.

c) A Statement of the Proposed Assessment for the cost of the proposed improvements apportioned to each tract of land in the proposed improvement district as the tracts appear on the last equalized district assessment book and to district-owned land in the proposed improvement district whether or not it appears on the last equalized district assessment book, which apportionment shall be according to the benefits that will accrue to each tract by virtue of the proposed improvements.

d) The Statement of Benefit received by forming the improvement district.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY ORDERED by the Board of Directors of the Turlock Irrigation District that the Plans and Specifications, Estimate of Cost, and Statement of the Proposed Assessment be filed with the Executive Secretary of the Turlock Irrigation District in the office of the Turlock Irrigation District and the documents shall be subject to the inspection of all interested persons.

Moved by Director Fernandes, seconded by Director Macedo, that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Upon roll call the following vote was had:

Ayes: Directors Fernandes, Santos, Frantz, Macedo and Alamo
Noes: Directors None
Absent: Directors None

The President declared the resolution adopted. (Director Santos voted via teleconference).

MOTION CANCELING THE TURLOCK IRRIGATION DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF JULY 4, 2017

Moved by Director Fernandes, seconded by Director Frantz, that the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Turlock Irrigation District scheduled for July 4, 2017, be canceled.

The President declared the resolution adopted (Director Santos voted yes via teleconference).

RESOLUTION NO. 2017 - 43

RESOLUTION DELEGATING AUTHORITY TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF TURLOCK IRRIGATION DISTRICT WARRANTS FROM JUNE 28 THROUGH JULY 4, 2017
WHEREAS, because the Board of Directors will not hold its regular meeting on July 4, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Water Code Section 24600 states “No claim shall be paid by the treasurer until allowed by the board, and only upon a warrant signed by the president and countersigned by the secretary”; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the District that the District pay vendors in a timely manner.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Turlock Irrigation District as follows:

1. For the period of June 28 through July 4, 2017 only, the Board of Directors delegates to the President and Vice President of the District’s Board of Directors and either of them, the authority to approve claims under Water Code Section 24600 for payment.

2. At the Board of Directors’ regular meeting on July 11, 2017, the Treasurer or the Accounting Department Manager shall report to the Board all claims paid during that period pursuant to this resolution.

Moved by Director Frantz, seconded by Director Macedo, that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Upon roll call the following vote was had:

Ayes: Directors Fernandes, Santos, Frantz, Macedo and Alamo
Noes: Directors None
Absent: Directors None

The President declared the resolution adopted (Director Santos voted via teleconference).

PUBLIC BENEFITS ANNUAL UPDATE

Nancy Folly, Customer Service Department Manager, reported that 2016 revenue and expenses are $7,687,113, with 32.8% Low Income expense; 17.7% Energy Efficiency expense; and 49.5% Renewable Energy expense. She noted that participation in the CARES program is down, but staff continues their outreach to customers that are in need of the program. There are income guidelines that must be followed, and customers must renew and provide their annual income each year. Ms. Folly also provided information on weatherization contracts and the solar rebate program, including the number of customers on the new NEM rates, the number of solar installations by year and the solar kW installed by year.

Aldo Lara, Energy Efficiency Analyst, presented an update of the energy efficiency goals including results from 2016 and projections for 2017. There has been a substantial growth in residential home energy analysis, and six new residential programs were added in 2016. There was also increased participation in the cooling and lighting programs due to the HVAC program for that year. The 2017 Energy efficiency goal is 16,394 MWhs, and we are on-track to meet this
goal. The Energy Efficiency projections for 2017 are 51% Residential – HEA, 35% Non-Residential Rebate Programs, 12% Non-Residential DI Program and 2% Residential Rebate Programs.

GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT

General Manager Casey Hashimoto had no new items to report.

BUSINESS OF THE BOARD

There was none.

MOTION TO ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Director Frantz, seconded by Director Fernandes, that the regular meeting of the Board of Directors be adjourned:

1. Conference with Labor Negotiator
   California Government Code Section 54957.6
   - Agency Negotiator: Martin Purdy
   - Employee Organizations: TID Employees Association

2. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
   California Government Code Section 54956.9(d)
   Anticipated Litigation – one potential case
   - Steve Boyd, Director of Water Resources and Regulatory Affairs
   - Art Godwin, Legal Counsel

   All voted in favor with none opposed. (Director Santos voted via teleconference). The President declared the motion carried.

REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

The President announced there was no reportable action taken in closed session.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Moved by Director Frantz, seconded by Director Fernandes, that the regular meeting of the Board of Directors be adjourned.

The President declared the motion carried. (Director Santos voted via teleconference).

Dorinda Soiseth
Deputy Secretary to the Board of Directors