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

Turlock, California
12 January 2021

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 12th day of January 2021. Present (via Zoom) were: Directors Rob Santos (President), Michael Frantz (Vice-President), Ron Macedo (Secretary), Charles Fernandes and Joe Alamo, General Manager Michelle Reimers and Executive Secretary to the Board Tami Wallenburg.

Board President Rob Santos read the following statement:
“This meeting is being digitally recorded, and the Board Secretary is taking minutes as well. Materials presented will be made available online at www.tid.org. We encourage public participation during the Board meeting and we’ll receive public comment during the ‘Public Comment Period’ portion of the agenda early on, as well as receive comment on specific agenda items.”

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

MOTION APPROVING CONSENT CALENDAR

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

2. Demands against the District represented by check numbers 398801 to 399410, inclusive, in the amount of $28,941,125.10.
5. Approval of the following sidegate applications:
   - Application of 15 Inch Sidegate in Upper Lateral 2.5 Canal by Mike Beaber
   - Application of 12-inch Sidegate in Lower Lateral 2 Canal by Sherry Maltby
   - Application of 12-inch Sidegate in Lower Lateral 2.5 Canal by Sherry Maltby
   - Application of 18 Inch Sidegate in Lateral 7 Canal by Duane Marson

All voted in favor with none opposed. The President declared the motion carried.
There was none.

WEEKLY REPORT

Utility Analyst/Hydrology Olivia Cramer reported on current water conditions. Accumulated precipitation measured at the three mountain stations in the Tuolumne River watershed from September 1, 2020 to present total 5.55 inches, or 37.9 percent of normal to date (Note: The precipitation water year begins on September 1 each year). Forecasted precipitation for the next 16-days is showing less than a quarter-inch on the US Model with the European model showing even less. Forecasted temperatures show the highs averaging 10 degrees higher than normal from 57-65 degrees, and lows averaging lower than normal between 31 to 37 degrees. San Francisco reservoirs contain 409,903 acre-feet and the Water Bank is at 542,329 acre-feet of credit. CCSF releases for the past 7-days averaged at 461 cfs with 231 cfs in diversions. Don Pedro contains 1,368,746, acre-feet and is currently at 771 elevation. Average combined releases were 176 cubic feet per second with 00 cfs to TID canals, 00 cfs to Modesto Irrigation District and the total 176 cfs going to the Tuolumne River. Computed natural flow for the current water-year is averaging 74 cfs, and computed natural flow to date is 21,923 af or 7.1 percent of average. Turlock Lake contains 8,097 acre-feet of water. The updated weekly watershed report shows Don Pedro elevation remained steady when compared to the previous week, with Ms. Cramer noting it is 25 ft. lower in elevation than last year. Board members asked several questions regarding comparison years, dry vs. subsequent year data, and changes in rain fall patterns. The Board President asked for comments from the public, and there were none.

AGM Electrical Engineering and Operations Joe Gill and Line Department Manager Denver Hodges presented Line/Engineering Report for the month of December 2020. There was a total of 32 in December impacting 2,767 customers. Average outage time was five hours for the month. Major outage contributors for the month show equipment failures at 38 percent, third party (car/pole incidents) at 30 percent, weather at 14 percent and other causes at 13 percent. Unplanned outages in December show six in Ceres, nine in Turlock, four in Modesto, six in Hilmar, two in Patterson and 2 in Diablo Grande (due to PG&E event) with an average response time of 36 minutes. Electrical Engineering Design received 84 customer job requests with 45 being sent to the Line Department for completion. Construction lead time for the month was 1 week for customer jobs. The crew structure for December showed three 5-person crews and three 4-person crews. Four crews focused on capital work while two crews worked on customer jobs through the month. Board members commended Mr. Gill and Mr. Hodges for the new data added to the monthly report noting it is a step in the right direction. The Board President asked for comments from the public and there were none.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021 - 1

RESOLUTION APPROVING A REVISION TO THE TURLOCK IRRIGATION DISTRICT INVESTMENT POLICY AND AUTHORIZING THE TREASURER TO PERFORM INVESTMENT ACTIVITY
WHEREAS, the California Government Code requires that Turlock Irrigation District (“District”) review its Investment Policy and delegate the authority to its Treasurer to perform investment activity on its behalf; and

WHEREAS, the Treasurer has reviewed said policy and has determined that certain changes in said policy are necessary at this time.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Turlock Irrigation District that the District’s Investment Policy dated January 12, 2021 be approved and that the Treasurer be authorized to perform all investment activity on behalf of the District.

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

Upon roll call the following vote was had:

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

The President declared the resolution adopted.

MOTION CANCELING THE TURLOCK IRRIGATION DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF JANUARY 19, 2021

Moved by Director Macedo, seconded by Director Fernandes, that the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Turlock Irrigation District scheduled for January 19, 2021, be canceled.

All voted in favor with none opposed. The President declared the motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021 - 2

RESOLUTION DELEGATING AUTHORITY TO THE PRESIDENT AND/OR VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF TURLOCK IRRIGATION DISTRICT WARRANTS WHEN A REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING IS NOT HELD

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, the District periodically cancels regular meetings of the board on an as-needed basis; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the Turlock Irrigation District (‘District’) that the District pay vendors in a timely manner.

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

1. For the period of January 1 through December 31, 2021 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 for payment for the period immediately preceding an officially cancelled Board of Directors meeting.

2. At the Board of Directors regular meeting immediately following the cancelled meeting, the Treasurer or the Accounting and Finance Department Manager shall report to the Board all claims paid during that specific period related to the cancellation.

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

Upon roll call the following vote was had:

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

The President declared the resolution adopted.

**STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE**

Chief Operating Officer Brad Koehn presented an update on completed tasks within the District’s 2020-2025 Strategic Plan. For year 2020, under the category of Water and Electric Supply and Distribution, Goal #1 – Optimize Water and Power Assets to Increase Reliability and/or decrease costs, task progress is 100 percent complete with Goals 2, 3 and 4 in progress; Category of Finance and Rates shows Goals #2 – Enhance Financial Reporting, and #3 – Maintain Competitive Rates with Peer Groups at 100 percent completion, and Goal #1 in progress; Category of Workforce shows Goal #1 – Attract, Develop and Retain a Highly Skilled Workforce at 60 percent completion; Category of Customer Service and Community Relations show Goal # 2 – Institute Assistance Programs that Address the Diverse Needs of TID Customers and Goal # 6 – Expand TIDs Customer Satisfaction Program are 100 percent completed, with Goals #1, #3, #4 and #5 in progress; Category of Safety – Goal #2 – Maintain a Comprehensive Emergency Management Program is complete, with Goal #1 in progress; and in the Category of Technology there were no 2020 tasks for Goal #1. Goals #2 and #3 (Develop Data Analytics and a Technology Roadmap) are approximately 87 percent complete. Task highlights for 2021 will include EIM Go-Live, Customer Self-Service, Recruiting and Hiring, Enterprise Risk Management and the Ceres Main Reservoir Design and Permitting. Board members asked questions regarding the task components in relation to the specific goals to which General Manager Michelle Reimers responded. The Board President asked for any comments from the public with Customer Milt Treiwieler recommending more separation between power and water within the Goals, and more emphasis on renewable energy in the next 5-years. Mr. Treiwieler also suggested that all canal
gates be metered (under SBX7-7, installation of metered gates began several years ago and nearing completion).

GENERAL MANAGER’S UPDATE

General Manager Michelle Reimers asked AGM Electrical Engineering Joe Gill to provide a brief update on the District’s Emergency Management System (EMS). Mr. Gill reported the successful EMS changeover took place in late December and wished to commend staff Dave Arounsack, James Ramos and Brett Bodine, among others, for their hard work on the transition. The team worked long hours for training and NERC Certifications to complete the project.

BUSINESS OF THE BOARD

Director Alamo recommended utilizing their District-issued iPads at the dais for board members who choose to attend in person so they can view other board members who are attending the board meeting via Zoom webinar. Board President Rob Santos agreed with the recommendation.

MOTION TO ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Director Alamo, seconded by Director Fernandes, that the regular meeting of the Board of Directors be adjourned to closed session:

1. Public Employee Performance Evaluation
   California Government Code section 54957(b)(1)
   Title: General Manager

   All voted in favor with none opposed. The President declared the motion carried.

   The President left the meeting.

   REPORT OF ANY ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

   The Vice-President announced no action was taken in closed session.

   MOTION TO ADJOURN

   Hearing no further business, Director Macedo motioned, seconded by Director Alamo, that the regular meeting of the Board of Directors be adjourned.

   All voted in favor with none opposed. The Vice-President declared the motion carried.

   Tami Wallenburg
   Executive Secretary to the Board of Directors