

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING**  
**of**  
**THE STONE CORRAL IRRIGATION DISTRICT**

The regular scheduled meeting of the Stone Corral Irrigation District Board of Directors convened on May 9, 2023, at 4:19 P.M. Directors Ramirez, Roberts, Runyon, Leal, and Werner were present. Others present: Gene Kilgore-General Manager, Mike Lopez-District Water Operations, Vincent Serrato- Treasurer, Alex Peltzer, Legal Counsel, Craig Hornung-Landowner, and Dale West, former General Manager.

Chairman Ramirez called the meeting to order and asked if there were any revisions to the agenda. There being none, on motion by Director Runyon, seconded by Director Werner, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the agenda as presented.

Chairman Ramirez opened the floor for public comments; none were presented.

The Board convened to close session at 4:25 p.m.

The Board re-convened to open session at 4:57 p.m. No reportable action was taken in closed session.

Mr. Serrato presented the April-May warrants for approval, which amounted to \$48,551.53, with pre-authorized bills amounting to \$75,298.41. On motion by Director Runyon, seconded by Director Roberts, and unanimously carried, the Board authorized payment of said bills.

Mr. Kilgore presented the April 11, 2023, regularly scheduled meeting minutes for approval. On motion by Director Werner, seconded by Director Roberts, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the minutes as presented.

Mr. Serrato presented the Treasurer’s Report. The Board was provided with March’s expenditures and deposits. Financial summary as follows:

Beginning Balance, April 1 <sup>st</sup> :	\$ 459,774.19
Receipts for April:	\$ 19,608.27
Transfers from LAIF:	\$ -0-
Disbursements for April:	\$ 119,110.01
Transfers to LAIF:	\$ -0-
Ending Balance, April 30 <sup>th</sup> :	\$ 360,272.45

Mr. Serrato presented the investment report for the LAIF account, which had an April 30<sup>th</sup> ending balance of \$2,542,016.52, interest earned for the quarter was \$16,795.79. On motion by Director Runyon, seconded by Director Roberts, and unanimously carried, the Board accepted the

Treasurer's report as presented.

Mr. Kilgore reported no recent activity for the Agricultural Water Management Plan update. No activities were undertaken regarding water quality or the rehabilitation of the District reservoir.

Mr. Kilgore proposed the sale of the District's single wide mobile home. The quoted cost to remove the mobile home was approximately \$4700. The contractor offered \$5000 to purchase the home, which would give the District a net income of approximately \$300. After discussion, on motion by Director Runyon, seconded by Director Leal, and unanimously carried, the Board approved with the terms of the sale "as-is, where-is," with no implicit or explicit warranties or guarantees.

Mr. Kilgore present the request for a power line easement along the flood control ditch for electrical service provide to Peltzer Groves. After discussion, and motion by Director Roberts the motion failed without a second motion, the easement was not approved.

Mr. Kilgore presented the 2023 proposed budget. The presented budget was inaccurate, and discussions were deferred until the June meeting.

Mr. Kilgore reported April Friant water deliveries totaled 371 acre-feet, which was URF water purchased from Kaweah Delta Water Conservation District.

The District recorded no precipitation in April. As of April 30<sup>th</sup>, accumulated precipitation totaled 23.06 inches for the 2022-23 season. Mr. Kilgore reported, as of May 9, 2023, the Southern Sierra Snowpack was 401% of normal for the date and 244% for the April 1<sup>st</sup> average.

Mr. Lopez reported that a leak had been discovered on the B line between B32-B33 and was repaired by staff and the contractor in the same day of discovery.

Mr. Kilgore reported on the Friant-Kern Canal Middle Reach Correction Project (MRCP), Phase 1, had sustained substantial flood damage and the extent has not been finalized. The expectation is the project will be delayed approximately 60 days, but the contractor is taking measures to potentially shorten the delay by employing multiple shifts and the use of overtime. Staff was directed to notify Friant that any new request for funds, to cover any potential cash shortfall to repair the canal, must be approved by the District prior to any assessments levied.

The East Kaweah GSA has sent out 2022 statements for review and continued to work through the issues to the groundwater sustainability plan and the coordination with Mid and Greater Kaweah GSAs.

Mr. Kilgore provided a brief update on the activities of the South Valley Water Association. Mr. Kilgore informed the Board that Delano-Earlimart, Pixley and Shafter-Wasco Irrigation Districts will be terminating their membership with the Association. Mr. Vink was assessing the needs of the remaining Districts and will be proposing a revised budget.

There being no further business, the next Board of Directors meeting is set for June 13, 2023, and the meeting was duly adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Gene Kilgore  
Secretary of the Board

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