

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
of
THE STONE CORRAL IRRIGATION DISTRICT

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Stone Corral Irrigation District Board of Directors convened on July 9, 2024, at 4:50 P.M. Directors Arturo Ramirez, Dave Roberts, Tom Runyon, Joseph Leal, and John Werner were present. Others present: Gene Kilgore-General Manager, Vincent Serrato-Treasure, and Craig Hornung, landowner.

Chair Ramirez called the meeting to order, the agenda was accepted as presented.

Chair Ramirez opened the floor for public comments, Mr. Hornung commented that power had been restored to his meter that the district’s contractor inadvertently had disconnected.

Mr. Kilgore reported Director Werner attended the Friant Water Authority Board meeting on June 27, 2024.

Mr. Serrato presented the June July warrants for ratification and approval, which amounted to \$70,009.98 and \$74,863.37, respectively. On motion by Director Runyon, seconded by Director Roberts, and unanimously carried, the Board authorized payment of said bills.

Mr. Kilgore presented the June 11, 2024, regularly scheduled meeting minutes for approval. On motion by Director Runyon, 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 June’s expenditures and deposits. Financial summary as follows:

Beginning Cash Balance June 1 st :	\$	313,970.54
Receipts for June:	\$	316,213.46
Transfers from LAIF:	\$	-0-
Disbursements for June:	\$	123,781.57
Transfers to LAIF:	\$	-0-
Ending Cash Balance, June 30 th :	\$	506,402.43

Mr. Serrato reported the investments ending balances for the LAIF, Stifel Investments, and Pershing (T-Bills) accounts for \$754,436.01, \$523,962.70, and \$1,043,920.78, respectively. Total investments amounted to \$2,322,319.49. Total cash and investments amounted to \$2,828,721.92. Mr. Kilgore reviewed the 2024 annual budget and discussed the variances. On motion by Director Leal, seconded by Director Werner the financial reports were accepted as present Werner, with instructions to provide monthly budget variances.

Mr. Kilgore reported the Bureau reduced the Class 1 allocation from 100% to 90% residual. Mr. Kilgore reported June’s Friant water deliveries totaled 1,134 acre-feet.

Mr. Kilgore reported two (2) leaks were repaired, one on the A Line and the other on the B Line.

The 3 Line pump station pit was dewatered, and sand was removed. Staff have been replacing and repairing meters. Mr. Kilgore informed the Board he will be hiring to replace Mike Lopez's position and will purchase a second vehicle to replace the Ford Ranger due to transmission failure.

The Board deferred acting on water allocations, employee vision coverage benefits and District pension contribution until the August board meeting.

Mr. Kilgore reported the FWA Board has released their 2025 proposed budget for a 60-day review. Their proposed budget increased by approximately two million dollars; \$700,000 of the increase was for potential litigation. Mr. Kilgore provided an update on the Drought Pool Pilot program and that a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between FWA and Friant contractors will need to be executed. FWA is seeking to have the MOU fully executed at their August Board meeting. The MOU is being reviewed by District legal counsel and will be on the next month's agenda for consideration. Mr. Kilgore provided a brief update on the court hearing between FWA and Eastern Tule GSA. A status conference date has been set for August 16, 2024.

Mr. Kilgore and Mr. Hornung reported the three GSAs are coordinating together to address the Department of Water Resources (DWR) noted deficiencies in the Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP). The GSAs feel confident that after their meetings and workshops with the State Water Board and stakeholders, the revised GSP will address DWR's deficiencies. However, subsidence and water quality are a concern for the State Board. These issues will be addressed over the next few months and incorporated in the GSP.

Mr. Kilgore reported the group met on June 24th and discussed future project proposals that the group may want to engage in or support.

The Board convened to close session at 5:41 p.m.

Reconvened to open session at 6:59 p.m., with no recordable action.

There being no further business, the next Board of Directors meeting was set for August 13, 2024, and the meeting was duly adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gene Kilgore
Secretary of the Board