

STRATFORD IRRIGATION DISTRICT  
877 W. Iona Avenue, Lemoore, CA 93245  
January 18, 2024

The regular meeting of the Stratford Irrigation District Board of Directors was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by President C. Meyer. Directors present were T. Azevedo, B. Newton, S. Stanton and M. Newton. Others present were Secretary W. Areias, C. Andrew and D. Kahn. Manager Silva was absent.

A motion was made by Dir. B. Newton seconded by Dir. S. Stanton and carried to approve the minutes of the November 16, 2023 meeting and the December 1<sup>st</sup> Special meeting.

AUDIENCE SCHEDULED APPEARANCE -

- 1) Paul Stiglich, General Manager, South Fork Kings GSA (10:30 am) – Mr. Stiglich reported that a new Prop 218 has gone out for \$9.80 per acre. Southfork GSA is the weak link and looking at probation. A motion was made by Dir. B. Newton, seconded by Dir. M. Newton and approved to have President Meyer sign to accept the \$9.80 per acre ballot.

FINANCIAL MATTERS - Secretary, W. Areias presented the current financial report for the Board’s consideration. A motion was made by Dir. T. Azevedo, seconded by Dir. B. Newton and carried to approve payment of the bills as listed and make any transfers needed.

BUDGET UPDATE - Copies of a Budget Update report for the period ending January 31, 2024 were distributed and reviewed by the Board.

AUDIENCE UNSCHEDULED APPEARANCE – Nothing new to report.

CORRESPONDENCE – Nothing new to report.

MANAGER’S REPORT – Secretary W. Areias read Manager Silva reported that Pine Flat storage is 620,250 a/f total storage is 724,250 a/f. The natural flow is 286 c.f.s. Stratford’s storage is approximately 12,800 a/f. Precipitation is 38.9% of normal. Snow Pillows are 31% of normal. A new pipe at the end of the Stratford Main has been installed. All the laterals in Stratford have been sloped and are now being sprayed.

LEMOORE CANAL MEETING – Director B. Newton reported that Lemoore Canal made an “A” allocation of 1.5 a/f per share.

KRWA – Water Program – The new water program is almost ready to run by itself. The last three years of the watermaster reports are nearly finished.

SOUTH FORK KINGS GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY – See Paul Stiglich (above) report.

OLD BUSINESS: Nothing new to report.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a) Allocation – A motion was made by Dir. B. Newton, seconded by Dir. S. Stanton and carried to allocate .45 a/f per acre to match Lemoore Canal's "A" water allocation of 1.5 a/f per share. Lemoore Canal is starting the water run when we get enough water orders or if top of schedule issues arises.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned to closed session at 11:00 a.m.

Closed session 11:02 a.m.

Open session 11:15 a.m.

A motion was made by Dir. S. Stanton, seconded by Dir. B. Newton and carried to have President Meyer sign the settlement agreement regarding James ID Litigation.

No other reportable action was taken in closed session.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Wendee Areias, Secretary