

STRATFORD IRRIGATION DISTRICT  
877 W. Iona Avenue, Lemoore, CA 93245  
February 20, 2025

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 M. Newton, S. Stanton and T. Azevedo. Others present were Secretary W. Areias, B. Osborne and J. Orton. Manager R. Silva was absent.

A motion was made by Dir. T. Azevedo seconded by Dir. M. Newton and carried to approve the minutes of the January 16, 2025.

AUDIENCE SCHEDULED APPEARANCE – M. GREEN & CO. – Marla Borges, CPA with M. Green & Co., presented the financial report for the period ending August 31, 2024. After review and questions, a motion was made by Dir. M. Newton, seconded by Dir. T. Azevedo and carried to approve the financial reports as presented.

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. M. 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, 2025 were distributed and reviewed by the Board.

AUDIENCE UNSCHEDULED APPEARANCE – N/A

CORRESPONDENCE – N/A

MANAGERS REPORT – Mr. Osborne reported that Pine Flat storage is 542,282 a/f, total storage is 620,243 a/f. The natural flow is 1,307 c.f.s. Stratford's storage is approximately 8,050 a/f. Snow Pillows are 76% to date. No allocation has been made.

LEMOORE CANAL MEETING – Nothing new to report.

KRWA:

KRWA – Mr. Osborne reported that the KRWA Board voted to not report losses to the SGMA subbasins.

NUTRIA – Mr. Osborne reported that the Nutria, has been found at Pool #1.

WATER RIGHTS FEES – Mr. Osborne reported that this year there was not any over use of water concerning the KRWA water licenses.

RAISING PINE FLAT DAM – Mr. Osborne reported that KRWA is continuing to try to get the project of raising the dam on fast track.

HYDROGRAPHER – Mr. Osborne reported that one of the KRWA hydrographers has resigned and will be replaced closer to the water run.

OLD BUSINESS – No old business to report.

NEW BUSINESS – APPOINT NEW BOARD MEMBER – A motion was made by Dir. T. Azevedo, seconded by Dir. S. Stanton and accepted to appoint Josh Orton to fill the Board seat until the 2026 election year.

SOUTH FORK KINGS (JOHNNY GAILEY) – Mr. J. Gailey reported to the Board about what is going on with SGMA and the registration of wells. There is a workshop this month and one next month to help the growers better understand how to register their wells. He is also asking that Stratford ID Board to support the Joint Powers Amendment to add two additional seats to the South Fork Kings GSA Board. A motion was made by Dir. T. Azevedo, seconded by Dir. S. Stanton and carried to have President C. Meyer sign the Joint Powers Amendment form to add two additional seats filled by representatives of landowners and groundwater dependent users who are not already represented by the existing public agency board members.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned to closed session at 10:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Wendee Areias". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Wendee Areias, Secretary