MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING **BOARD OF DIRECTORS** PARADISE IRRIGATION DISTRICT **NOVEMBER 16, 2022**

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Paradise Irrigation District (PID) was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Vice President Marc Sulik followed by a reflection and The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

OPENING

BOARD MEMBERS

Directors Bob Matthews, Alan Hinman, Chris Rehmann, and

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Vice President Marc Sulik

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

President Shelby Boston

STAFF PRESENT:

District Manager Tom Lando, Assistant District Manager Mickey Rich, Finance & Accounting Manager Brett Goodlin,

and Secretary Georgeanna Borrayo

ALSO PRESENT:

Consultants Colleen Boak and Esmeralda Diego with Water Works Engineers, Nicole Maddox with APTIM, and remote

attendance by a few members of the public

It was moved by Director Matthews and seconded by Director Hinman to adopt Resolution No. 2022-21, a resolution of the Board of Directors of the Paradise Irrigation District reauthorizing remote meetings consistent with AB 361. Directors' votes were polled as follows by roll call:

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-21 REAUTHORIZING REMOTE **MEETINGS** (Item 2)

AYES:

Directors Matthews, Hinman, Rehmann, and Vice President Sulik

NOES:

ABSENT:

President Shelby Boston

Motion passes 4-0

No public comments were received.

PUBLIC COMMENT (Item 3)

> APPROVAL OF CONSENT

(Item 4.a. - 4.h.)

CALENDAR

Board members reviewed consent calendar items as follows:

4.a. Approval of Meeting Agenda Order

- 4.b. Approval of Minutes Special Meeting of October 19, 2022
- 4.c. Approval of Minutes Regular Meeting of October 19, 2022
- 4.d. Approval of Minutes Special Meeting of November 1, 2022
- 4.e. Approval of Employee Awards Recognition: Authorize Employee Safety Awards Recognition & Closure of District Facilities as 12:00 p.m. on December 15, 2022
- 4.f. Approval of 2022 ACWA Fall Conference Expense for Attendance of Board Member
- 4.g. Approval of Deposit Amount of \$10,000: Butte Local Agency Formation Commission for PID Municipal Service Review Update
- 4.h. Approval to Adopt Resolution No. 2022-22 Authorizing Destruction of Certain Records of the Finance & Accounting Department

CONTINUED: CONSENT CALENDAR APPROVED It was moved by Director Hinman and seconded by Director Matthews to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. Director's votes were polled as follows by roll call:

AYES:

Directors Matthews, Hinman, Rehmann, and Vice President Sulik

NOES:

None

ABSENT: President Shelby Boston

Motion passes 4-0

ACCEPTANCE OF TREASURER'S REPORT FOR PERIOD ENDING OCTOBER 31, 2022 (Item 5.a.) Board members reviewed a written Treasurer's Report prepared by Finance & Accounting Manager Brett Goodlin for the period ending October 31, 2022, highlighting the District's cash position, debt service analysis, operational overview, and status of the annual financial audit.

It was moved by Director Hinman and seconded by Director Matthews to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented for the period ending October 31, 2022.

AYES:

Directors Matthews, Hinman, Rehmann, and Vice President Sulik

NOES:

None

ABSENT: President Shelby Boston

Motion passes 4-0

EXPENSE APPROVAL REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2022 APPROVED (Item 5.b.) Board members reviewed accounts payable expense reports for the month of October 2022. It was moved by Director Matthews and seconded by Director Hinman to approve payments by check in the amount of \$1,274,577.88 representing check numbers 57771 through 57779 and electronic payments of \$755,924.32 by EFT for the month of October 2022 totaling \$2,030,502.20, and authorization of a similar amount allowing or adjusting for extraordinary budget or Board approved items during the month of November 2022.

AYES:

Directors Matthews, Hinman, Rehmann, and Vice President Sulik

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

President Shelby Boston

Motion passes 4-0

PID STAFF & CONSULTANT REPORT UPDATES (Item 6.a. – 6.h.)

Board members reviewed written Staff and Consultant Report updates provided in the agenda packet. District Manager Tom Lando reported staff met with the Town of Paradise today regarding the HUD Community Development Block Grants to discuss how information and financials will flow between PID, the Town (as the main applicant), and the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD). Of the \$14 million PID submitted in requests, the District is expecting an allocation of approximately \$3.5 million. We anticipate presenting a recommended project list to discuss with the PID Board of Directors in a few months.

COMMITTEE REPORTS (Item 7.a. & 7.b.) <u>Finance Committee:</u> Director Hinman reported discussion at the November 15, 2022 meeting included review of the Capacity Fee Study prepared by Bartle Wells Associates and evaluation of a capacity fee increase, Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget review, and accounting information regarding grant cost recovery tracking.

Community Relations Committee: Chairperson Marc Sulik indicated a meeting was held on November 8, 2022 to discuss community relations activities, and communication outreach and messaging, including ideas to encourage more customers to sign up for DropCountr to monitor their water use. Assistant District Manager Mickey Rich added staff is currently coordinating preparations for participation in the Career Expo at Paradise High School on Friday, November 18. The next committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 10, 2023 at 8:00 a.m.

No unfinished business to report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Staff reported PID's Harassment Prevention Policy is outdated. The revised policy presented in the agenda packet has been vetted through Legal Counsel and is recommended for consideration.

NEW BUSINESS:

It was moved by Director Hinman and seconded by Director Matthews to adopt the, "Paradise Irrigation District Discrimination, Harassment, and Retaliation Prevention Policy" as written.

PID HARASSMENT PREVENTION POLICY UPDATE ADOPTED (Item 9.a.)

AYES:

Directors Matthews, Hinman, Rehmann, and Vice President Sulik

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

President Shelby Boston

Motion passes 4-0

At The November 1, 2022 Special Meeting of the Board of Directors, the Board authorized approval to reestablish the Ad Hoc Customer Recovery Support Committee to further evaluate the proposed Discontinuance Policy Amendment presented at the October 19 Board Meeting. Board members recommended distributing a notice to invite members of the public to participate on the ad hoc committee and received four letters expressing interest from Lee Brown, Cliff Jacobson, Carla Minckler, and Dee Riley.

PUBLIC MEMBER
APPOINTMENTS
TO AD HOC
CUSTOMER
RECOVERY
SUPPORT
COMMITTEE
APPROVED
(Item 9.b.)

In addition to the four letters received to volunteer on this ad hoc committee, Director Hinman recommended Bill Martin and Director Matthews suggested Tyler West. Director Matthews indicated he will contact Mr. West to see if he is interested in participating on the committee.

It was moved by Director Matthews and seconded by Director Hinman to approve public member appointments for the four letters received, in addition to director recommendations to include Bill Martin and Tyler West, should Mr. West be interested in participating on the committee.

AYES:

Directors Matthews, Hinman, Rehmann, and Vice President Sulik

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

President Shelby Boston

Motion passes 4-0

Consultant Colleen Boak with Water Works Engineers reported the Meter Installation and Service Lateral (MISLR) Phase 2 Project was originally awarded by the District to RCI General Engineering in May of 2021. The MISLR Phase 2 project is continuing progress toward a spring completion date.

Due to field conditions and market variability, projected costs for completion have increased and staff recommends additional contingency funding to cover the projected overruns. It is anticipated that the additional \$2,715,000 in contingency funding will be fully reimbursable through the project's funding sources. At this time, there is no anticipated change to the overall project scope or general quantities of work to be completed, and there is no obligation to expend contingency funds if those funds are not needed.

METER
INSTALLATION &
SERVICE LATERAL
REPLACEMENT
(MISLR) PROJECT
RECOMMENDATION
(Item 9.c.)

CONTINUED – MISLR PROJECT PHASE 2 ADDITIONAL CONTINGENCY FUNDING APPROVED It was moved by Director Hinman and seconded by Director Matthews to approve an additional \$2,715,000.00 in contingency funding for the Meter Installation and Service Lateral Phase 2 Project, bringing the total authorized contingency value to \$4,732,089.10, to be executed at the discretion of the District Manager or his designated representative as needed.

AYES:

Directors Matthews, Hinman, Rehmann, and Vice President Sulik

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

President Shelby Boston

Motion passes 4-0

DIRECTORS' COMMENTS (Item 10) Director Sulik: Expressed condolences to Director Rehmann's family.

<u>Director Rehmann</u>: Thanked everyone for their thoughts and prayers.

<u>Director Hinman</u>: Commented on the status of invoicing for PID work performed to restore water following damages sustained to the water main on Skyway in September.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

There being no further business, it was moved by Vice President Sulik to adjourn the meeting. The regular meeting of the PID Board of Directors was adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

Georgeanna Borrayo, Secretary

Marc Sulik, Vice President