

**APRIL 10, 2019**

The Board of Directors of the Terra Bella Irrigation District met this day in regular session at the office of the District located at 24790 Avenue 95, Terra Bella, California.

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Wheaton called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**ATTENDANCE**

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Wheaton, Fowler, Doyel, Martinez, Galloway

DIRECTORS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Sean P. Geivet, District Manager  
Ann Nelms, District Secretary-Treasurer  
Albert Smith, Superintendent District Operations  
Bill Samarin  
Ray Chrispens  
Bryce McAteer, Executive Director, ETGSA  
Aubrey Mauritson, Legal Counsel

**AGENDA – CONSIDER CHANGES OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

No changes were made to the posted agenda.

**PUBLIC INPUT**

President Wheaton asked for public input.

Public comment was received from Customer Ray Chrispens. Mr. Chrispens departed the Boardroom at 9:08 a.m.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

M/S/U, Fowler, Doyel to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2019 regular meeting as presented.

**AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS** Review and discuss outstanding bills.

M/S/U, Doyel, Martinez to authorize the Treasurer to pay all outstanding bills against the District as presented.

**MONTHLY REPORTS**

Treasurer Nelms reviewed with the Board the financial status of the District, including TBID Investment Policy Review in Compliance with SB 564 and SB 866. Included in the review; monthly statements from California Bank & Trust and Local Agency Investment Fund, Friant Power Authority revenues and expenditure summary worksheet noting income received for March. Reviewed delinquent water accounts report. TBID preliminary balance sheet as of February 28, 2019, as well as Income Statements for the same period, including a year to date statement, was reviewed. Included for review in the Board packet is the Bureau of Reclamation’s Crop Report for 2018.

Manager Geivet discussed with the board the need to replace part-time employee Susan Duke who will be retiring at the end of June and the possibility of sharing the position with Porterville Irrigation District to hire a full time employee at TBID and bill PID under the PID Clerical Support Agreement for PID’s portion of the employee’s expenses. Manager Geivet discussed Eastern Tule GSA and Bryce McAteer’s need to hire a full time employee for ETGSA, the Employee contract agreement with TBID and ETGSA will be updated to include the new employee.

Albert Smith, Operations Superintendent, presented his monthly operating activities report for March 2019. No employee matters, accidents or injuries to report this month. This week started running on the large VFD. Mr. Smith explained the need for everyone to order their water. Repaired 8 leak holes in March. All pumps and motors greased, along with weeding and clean up complete at Stations #7, #8 and #3. Discing completed at the field area around the treatment plant and around all the wells.

Equipment Maintenance and repair included chain saw repaired, Station #8 pump #3 re-installed, Station #1 pump #7 re-installed, all pumps at station #1 repacked.

At WTP the average flow through the plant is around 480 gpm. Repaired 1 main line leak on Road 264 and Ave 86

The total precipitation is 12.66 inches. USA locates: 40

Mr. Geivet presented his monthly report. Included in the Board packet for review was the preliminary 2019 Water Year Friant Kern Canal Water Schedule at 100% Class 1. Discussion followed on the 215 Bureau Contract,

boundaries and possible changes to the 215 boundary map, which would allow more water to be moved without the need for transfers. Manager Geivet reported that Superintendent Albert Smith has made changes at the treatment plant that resulted in an improvement to the process.

**Friant Power Authority:** Nothing new to report.

**Status of Authorities; ESPA, DCTRA, FWA, ACWA & AECA:** Included in the Board packet is the candidate letters from Fred Rockmiller and Bruce Rupp who are running for election to the ACWA/JPIA Executive Committee. Friant Water Authority CEO Jason Phillips is keeping everyone updated by emails regarding meetings and the Frait Water canal issues.

**Eastern Tule GSA:** ETGSA Executive Director Bryce McAteer updated the Board on the upcoming ETGSA Community Workshops and meetings scheduled. Mr. McAteer shared with the TBID Board his experience speaking in Sacramento with FWA CEO Jason Phillips regarding the SGMA implementation and SJV Water Blueprint.

**2019 BUDGET AND WATER RATES – Review and consider adopting the budget and water rates for 2019 water year.**

To adopt the 2019 Water Rates as follows, and to adopt the 2019 Budget as approved at the February 13, 2019 meeting. **ADOPTED:** April 10, 2019 upon motion of Director Doyel, seconded by Director Fowler and passed by the following vote:

AYES: Wheaton, Fowler, Galloway, Doyel, Martinez  
 NOES: None  
 ABSENT: None  
 ABSTAINS: None

	<u>Untreated Domestic &amp; Irrigation</u>	<u>Untreated M&amp;I</u>
Zone 9	\$166.18	\$167.39
Zone 1	\$185.24	\$186.45
Zone 6 & 7	\$197.95	\$199.16
Zone 4 & 8	\$230.80	\$232.01
	<u>&gt; 5 Acres</u>	<u>&lt; 5 Acres</u>
WQIP Rates	\$409.90	\$411.11

**CULTIVATE CALIFORNIA – Consider supporting the Cultivate California program.**

The Board took under discussion donation to support the Cultivate California program.

M/S/U, Folwer, Galloway to approve donation to Cultivate California in the amount of \$1,000.

**IRRIGATED LANDS REGULATORY PROGRAM – Review potential partnership with the Tule Basin ILRP to use TBID drinking water fill stations.**

Manager Geivet updated the Board on the current recommendations for the Tule Basin ILRP to work directly with Setton for the use of the fill station at Setton Park. TBID will continue to supply treated water to the fill stations.

**SETTON PISTACHIO – Discuss the concepts a potential Banking Agreement with Setton Pistachio may include.**  
 No action taken.

**CONNECTION POLICY – Review a draft of a TBID Distribution Connection Policy.**  
 No action taken.

Mr. Samarin stated that he would like to connection policy to be equally available for all and he departed the Boardroom at 10:09 a.m.

**MEETING RECESS**

President Wheaton called a meeting recess at 10:09 a.m.

**MEETING RECONVENED**

President Wheaton called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

**CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION [Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)] Number of Potential Cases: Two**

Adjourned into closed session at 10:15 a.m.

The Board of Directors met while in closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) to discuss the above-entitled action. Report Action Taken in Closed Session Required by Government Code Section 54957.1

The Board adjourned from closed session at 11:39 a.m.

There was no reportable action taken during closed session.

**CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION** [Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)] *City of Fresno, et al. v. United States of America, Court of Federal Claims, Case No. 16-1276L.*

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**ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54954.2 (Relating to items not appearing on the agenda)**

Nothing to report.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the Board of Directors, the meeting was adjourned at 10:49 a.m. by President Wheaton.

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Ann Nelms, Secretary