

August 14, 2024

The Board of Directors of the Terra Bella Irrigation District met this day in regular session, the meeting was also teleconference from the District Office located at 24790 Avenue 95, Terra Bella, California.

CALL TO ORDER

President Wheaton called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

ATTENDANCE participating in this meeting remotely and in person:

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Wheaton, Galloway, Parsons, Martinez and Doyel

DIRECTORS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Sean Geivet, General Manager
Albert Smith, Operations Superintendent
Ann Nelms, District Secretary-Treasurer
Aubrey Mauritson, Legal Counsel
Matt Hendrick

AGENDA – CONSIDER CHANGES OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

No changes were made to the posted agenda.

PUBLIC INPUT

President Wheaton asked for public input. Mr. Wheaton inquired about the meter bad order billing process for customers when meters have plugged. Operation Superintendent Smith explained the process of estimating a bill to the Board.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

M/S/U, Galloway, Parsons to approve the minutes of the July 10, 2024 regular meeting as mailed.

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS Review and discuss outstanding bills.

M/S/U Galloway, Parsons 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, California Asset Management Program and Local Agency Investment Fund, Friant power Authority revenues and expenditure summary worksheet. Delinquent water account report was reviewed.

TBID balance sheet as of June 30, 2024, as well as Income Statements for the same period, including a year to date statement, was reviewed.

The Board of Directors reviewed the Operation Activity Report for July 2024 included in the Board package. Reported no accidents or injuries for the month.

Equipment maintenance and repair included repairing leaking air valve at station #9. Greased all pumps and motors at stations #7, #8 and #9. VFD at station #1 had a cooling fan go out. Chlorine tank at station #9 ruptured and replaced the tank.

Operations maintenance and repair report included weeding and cleaned up at Stations #7, #8, and #6. Hooked up the water troughs for Rick Beal.

2 main line leak; one on the east side of Road 264 about 400 yards north of Aveune 88 and one on the east side of road 270.

WTP average flow through the plant is around 600 gpm. Calibrated the turbidity meters.

The total precipitation is 11.44 inches YTD. USA locates: 16. Back flow's Tested: 30

Manager Geivet presented the monthly reports. Manager Geivet discussed TBID's current water delivery schedule and the Bureau 90% allocation for this water year with the Board.

Fraint Water Authority: Nothing else to report.

Friant Power Authority: Nothing to report.

Status of Authorities; ESPA & AECA: ESPA and AECA sending out newsletter.

Eastern Tule GSA working on subsidence related issues.

AUDIT SERVICES – Review and consider accepting a proposal to complete Audits for the 2024, 2025, and 2026 fiscal years.

Mr. Geivet stated the District solicited proposals for audit services for 2024, 2025 and 2026. The following proposal was received:

	2024	2025	2026
Cuttone & Mastro CPA's	\$16,800	\$17,600	\$18,300

M/S/C, Galloway, Martinez to accept and approve the proposal from Cuttone & Mastro CPA's for audit services for the years 2024, 2025 and 2026.

Matt Hendrick departed the teleconference at 9:35 a.m.

EMPLOYEE MATTERS-Closed Session, Government Code Section 54957, Personnel. Discussion and potential action on the Employees' performance and compensation.

Manager Geivet stated no closed session will be necessary. He reviewed the Consumer's Price Index for June 2024, showing an increase of 2.6%. Mr. Geivet recommended to the Board that they grant the employees a 2.6% cost of living increase, and step increases for Angie Guzman, Don Collins, Albert Smith and possible step increase for employee Naun Raya subject to passing the back flow test.

M/S/C, Galloway, Parsons to approve the Manager's recommendation to grant step increases for Angie Guzman, Don Collins, Albert Smith and possible step increase for employee Naun Raya subject to passing the back flow test and to grant all employees of the District a 2.6% cost of living increase.

MOU Drought Pool Pilot Program between FWA and Friant Division Contractors - Review and consider authorize participation in the MOU Implementation of the South of Delta Drought Plan Pilot Program between FWA and Friant Division Contractors.

M/S/C, Galloway, Parsons to approve participation in the MOU implementation of South of Delts Drought Plan Pilot Program between FWA and Friant Division Contractors.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9) Friant Water Authority v. Eastern Tule Groundwater Sustainability Agency Tulare County Superior Court Case No. VCU306343 Approval of Common Interest Agreement between ETGSA and Member Agencies

Adjourned into closed session at 9:42 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 10:05 a.m.

President Wheaton reconvened the regular meeting at 10:05 a.m. and stated 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.*

No closed session was required.

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

None to report.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board of Directors, the meeting was adjourned at 10:09 a.m. by President Wheaton.

Ann Nelms, Secretary