

IRISH BEACH WATER DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
15401 FOREST VIEW ROAD, MANCHESTER, CA 95459
September 12, 2020

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:** President Terry called the Regular Meeting to order at 10:05 A.M. on Saturday, September 12, 2020, using Zoom, a web-based video and audio conferencing tool, to meet online. Roll call of directors in attendance online were: President Terry, Director Ellison, Director Dyson, and Director Whitaker. Employees in attendance online were: General Manager Acker, Clerk/Accountant Murray, Clerk/Secretary Sackman, and Legal Counsel Emrick. Director Drolet was absent.
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Director Whitaker made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes dated July 11, 2020, as submitted. The motion was seconded by Director Ellison. Roll call vote: President Terry, aye; Director Ellison, aye; Director Dyson, aye; and Director Whitaker, aye. Motion carried.
3. **COMMUNICATIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE:** No action was taken at this time with regard to the Israel/Curbelo request for a well. Further action/discussion on this matter is moved to the next Board Meeting..
4. **PUBLIC INPUT:** Property owner, Rod Curbelo stated his opinion regarding legal fees as it impacts the rate increase.

5. **REPORTS:**

A. **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

July 2020:

Cash Balance: \$44,251

Operations Reserve: \$0.00

Emergency Response Augmentation: -\$38,383

System Wide Capital Improvement: \$0.00

>40 Year Equipment Replacement Fund: \$58,475

Alternate Water Development Fund: \$426,997

Total Assets both Restricted and Unrestricted: \$712,807

Clerk/Accountant Murray stated: This report is comparable to the last report. Also included is a comparison of budget to actual, with an estimated net income at a loss of (\$1,409). Treasurer Murray asked that the Board approve the Treasurer's Report and List of checks issued.

Director Whitaker made the motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and checks issued from July 1, 2020 through September 5, 2020. The motion was seconded by President Terry. Roll call vote: President Terry, aye; Director Ellison, aye; Director Dyson, abstained; and Director Whitaker, aye. Motion carried.

- B. **WATER/STORAGE FACILITIES/CONVEYANCE LOSS:** General Manager Acker reported the following: Generally this report consists of normal operations of the water treatment plant. Key items to report are: The pipeline system for the Dyson property is completed. The upper diversion water flow slowed down considerably. The lower diversion pump was installed, which brought it back up to full capacity.

General Manager Acker attended IBWD Board Meetings, completed sample testing, and processed system checks.

- C. **SAFETY COMMITTEE:** General Manager Acker reported the attendance by employees and the completion of written tests at the Safety Committee Meeting: September 4, 2020: “Distracted Driving – Incidents and Accidents.” and “Workplace Ergonomics.” Attendees: General Manager Acker, Treatment Plant Operator Dial, and Maintenance Employee DeVaul.
- D. **LEGAL COUNSEL:** Legal Counsel Emrick stated that there was nothing to report at this meeting.
- E. **DIRECTORS:** President Terry stated there is nothing to report.

6. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. **DISCUSSION AND OR ACTION: PROPOSED IBWD DRAFT POLICY #3075 TO ADOPT THE LOCAL AGENCY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (LAMP) OF THE 25-FOOT SETBACK AS APPROPRIATE FOR PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT. (EMRICK/ACKER).** After discussion, President Terry presented a motion for Resolution No. 2020-01 for acceptance by the IBWD Board. Motion seconded by Director Ellison. Roll call vote: President Terry, aye; Director Ellison, aye; Director Dyson, aye; and Director Whitaker, aye. Motion carried.
- B. **REVIEW AND DISCUSSION: PROPOSED IBWD LETTER GIVING PERMISSION FOR WILLIAM MOORES TO DRILL A TEST WELL ON MR. MOORES’ SEPARATE PIECE OF PROPERTY LOCATED ON NICHOLS RANCH. (WHITAKER/EMRICK/ACKER).** After discussion between the Directors and Mr. William Moores, President Terry made the following motion: To approve the drilling of two test wells on Mr. Moores Nichols Ranch Property, for the purpose of surveying how much water is available and possibly be used in the future, with the stipulation that the IBWD at this point does not accept any potential commercial water system and is not assuming any responsibility for a new water system until the IBWD receives a full detailed proposal from Mr. Moores for the Board’s discussion and subject to approval. Also included in this motion is that Mr. Moores agrees to have the existing well capped and locked, and that Mr. Moores agrees to abide by the IBWD’s existing policy. (President Terry stated that if this motion was approved, a letter to the County Health Department would be issued for approval of the drilling of the test wells.) Motion seconded by Director Dyson. Roll call vote: President Terry, aye; Director Ellison, aye; Director Dyson, aye; and Director Whitaker, nay. Motion carried.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

DISCUSSION AND OR ACTION: PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING PROPOSED INCREASE TO AVAILABILITY CHARGE. (MURRAY/EMRICK/ACKER) President Terry stated this item would be moved to begin before old business. President Terry presented the fact that 24 protest forms regarding the rate change were received. As the protests did not reach a majority, the rate increase would go into effect, subject to the Board’s approval. President Terry opened the hearing with the following presentation from Clerk/Accountant Murray: Clerk/Accountant Murray stated that she did a water usage rate comparison, which shows the IBWD at a rate of third to the lowest. Also discussed during the hearing were the reasons for the rate increase. There were no further comments from the audience after Clerk/Accountant’s presentation. President Terry stated that the rate increase will be subject to approval by the Board and acceptance of the Resolution No. 2020-02, documenting the approval of the District’s FY2020-2021 operating budgets for water.

President Terry made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-02, recommending the approval of the District’s FY2020-2001 operating budget for water and that the rates for usage would be \$0.65 per 100 gallons and the availability charge would be \$85.49 per month for our two month billing cycle of \$170.98. Motion seconded by Director Ellison. Roll call vote: President Terry, aye; Director Ellison, aye; Director Dyson, aye; and Director Whitaker, aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: President Terry moved to adjourn the Public Session of the Board Meeting at 12:02 P.M. and Director Dyson seconded the motion. Motion carried. The next Board Meeting and Public Hearing Meeting will be scheduled for Saturday, November 14, 2020.

8. EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION: The Executive Closed Session was conducted after the Regular Zoom Meeting.

Respectfully submitted:

Attest:

Kenneth Terry, President

Stephen Whitaker, Secretary of the Board

Date: _____

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