MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE TULARE IRRIGATION DISTRICT HELD ON THE
31st DAY OF JANUARY 2018 AT THE HOUR OF 10:00 A.M.

Call to Order:

Directors present at the meeting held at the date and time above
designated were President David Bixler, Richard Borges, Scott Rogers,
Dave Martin, and Mike Thomas. Staff present at the meeting were J.
Paul Hendrix, General Manager; Kathi Artis, Controller; Aaron Fukuda,
Engineer; Wayne Fox, O&M Superintendent; and Marco Crenshaw,
Watermaster. Also present was Don Wright, representing Water Wrights
and Alan Becker. The meeting was called to order by President
Bixler. It was then noted that item 4.D J. Paul Hendrix - Service
Award was added to the agenda as originally distributed.

Public Comments:

There were no comments from any members of the public to come before
the Board.

Approval of Minutes:

Director Bixler then noted that the minutes of the regular meeting of
January 9, 2018 and the special meeting of January 24, 2018 had been
distributed and asked if there were any errors or omissions noted
therein. There being none, by the motion of Director Rogers and
seconded by Director Martin, unanimously carried by all board members
present, the minutes of the meeting were thereupon approved.

Watermaster Report:

Lake Kaweah Storage and Operations - Mr. Crenshaw noted that storage
at Terminus Reservoir as of the day prior was at approximately 23,739
AF.

Water Management Activities - Mr. Crenshaw indicated that the District
had held over Friant CVP supplies totaling 16,308 AF with the
intention to conduct a pre-irrigation run in February 2018. He then
reported that based on the previous direction of the Board, the status
of the water supply and rainfall had not changed since the last
discussion. Based upon the update, the Board directed staff to
initiate the pre-irrigation run on February 5, 2018.

Mr. Crenshaw next discussed the need to establish a rate for
irrigation supplies sold during the upcoming pre-irrigation run. By a
motion of Director Rogers and seconded by Director Thomas, unanimously
carried by all board members present, the irrigation sales rate was
set at $43 per acre-foot.

Mr. Fukuda followed with a report on the status of accumulated
Recirculation water assigned to the District. He reported that notice
was given to the Friant Water Authority to halt any accumulation of
Recirculation Water to the District after December 2017, which left
the District with 1,118 AF of Recirculation water. He then reported
that paperwork and approvals necessary to transfer the water to the
Kern County Water Agency were likely not to be completed in time to
transfer the water. Mr. Fukuda thereupon reported that a secondary
option to transfer the water to the Arvin Edison Water Storage
District had been established. By a motion of Director Rogers and
seconded by Director Borges, unanimously carried by all board members
present, the 1,118 AF of Recirculation water assigned to the District
was approved for transfer to the Arvin Edison Water Storage District.
Management Staff Reports:

District Engineer Solicitation Update - Mr. Fukuda updated the Board on progress to solicit and hire a new District Engineer. Mr. Fukuda identified three avenues to seek a District Engineer, which included 1) a District-managed recruitment, 2) a professional recruitment, and 3) a combination of the two. He then reported that he would convene the Personnel Committee of the District to get direction before moving forward.

Matters for Consideration of Board Action

Tulare County Agreement - Mr. Fukuda reported that a requirement of the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program being sought to fund the Okieveille Flood Protection / Drought Mitigation Basin Project was that an applicant must have a Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (Mitigation Plan). Because the District does not have a Mitigation Plan and Tulare County does, he reported that an Agreement had been developed which would allow Tulare County to be the applicant and the District to pursue the project and receive the grant funding. Mr. Fukuda presented a draft copy of the Agreement highlighting several key provisions including the fact that the Agreement allows the District to act as an agent of the County to carry out the project, reporting, accounting and invoicing in return for the District covering the cost-share provisions of the grant and the reimbursement of County staff time required to administer the grant. By a motion of Director Martin and seconded by Director Thomas, unanimously carried by all board members present, the Agreement between the District and the County was approved.

Bank Signature Authorization - Ms. Artis reported that with the transition of Mr. Fukuda to the General Managers position, the District would need to provide authorization for him to sign checks. By a motion of Director Rogers and seconded by Director Borges, unanimously approved by all board members present, approval was granted to add Mr. Fukuda to the authorization of check signing.

Current authorized signers include:
- Kathi Artis
- David Bixler
- Richard Borges
- Dave Martin
- Scott Rogers
- Michael Thomas

Current officers for the District include:
- David Bixler - President
- Richard Borges - Vice President
- Aaron Fukuda - Secretary
- Kathi Artis - Treasurer

General Manager Transition - Mr. Hendrix reported on the status of his employment with the Mid-Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency. He reported that the necessary agreements for his employment with the MKGSA and his transition from the District had been executed. He then requested that he be authorized for full-time employment with the MKGSA. By a motion of Director Borges and seconded by Director Martin, unanimously approved by all members present, Mr. Hendrix was authorized by the Board to be assigned to the MKGSA on a full-time basis.

The Board thereupon discussed the actions needed to appoint Mr. Fukuda
as the General Manager. Mr. Fukuda reported that the contract being
drafted for his assignment as the General Manager would be finished by
February. By a motion of Director Borges and seconded by Director
Martin, unanimously approved by all members present, Mr. Fukuda was
assigned as the Interim General Manager for the District pending
completion of a contract to assign him as General Manager.

J. Paul Hendrix Service Award - Director Bixler presented Mr. Hendrix
with a service award, thanking him for his years of service to the
District as the General Manager.

Closed Session:

The Board thereupon entered into closed session under §54956.8 of the
Government Code. Upon return to open session, it was reported that no
actions were taken while in closed session.

There being no other items to come before the Board of Directors, the
meeting was then adjourned.

[Signatures]

Secretary

President