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Pojoaque Valley Irrigation District (PVID)

October 28, 2021 Special Meeting

6:00PM to 8:00PM

Via Zoom

Minutes

1. **Call To Order:** The meeting was called to order by Chairman Dave Neal at 6:08 PM via Zoom
2. **Recognition of Quorum:** Present at the meeting were Dave Neal, Meade Martin and Rob Heineman, directors constituting a quorum, and the following individuals who signed in via chat: Stephan and Josephine Gomez, Luis Aguirre, Tomas Stockton, Robert and Anji Griego, Jeff Montoya, Lawrence Atencio, Tom Dominquez, Alexis Byfuglin, Greg Swift, Manuel Martinez, Chris and Kim Sheehan, John Gotting
3. **Approval of the Agenda: MOTION TO APPROVE** – Rob Heineman, **SECOND** – Meade Martin. **MOTION CARRIED.**
4. **Disposition of Previous Minutes:**
 - a. July 27, 2021 Quarterly Meeting: **MOTION TO APPROVE** – Meade Martin, **SECOND** – Dave Neal. **MOTION CARRIED.**
5. **Financial Report:**
 - a. September 30, 2021 Financials were not available at the time of meeting. Rob did present the 2020-2021 comparative financials showing approved budget versus actual expenses and explained each line item. Rob said he would attach the comparative budget with the next meeting's agenda as well as Q1-2021 budget/actuals.
 - b. 2021 Invoicing: Rob discussed the recent PVID billings and the reason for the substantial increase, including the BOR timing differences and increase in anticipated legal expense due to negotiations with the BOR and OSE.
6. **Dam Tender Report:**
 - a. Tom Dominguez: The BOR and Chama engineers came on site and got the generator up and running and gauges operating again. The flow rate was set to minimal winter flow on October 13th. The reservoir will now continue to fill over the winter. The Board thanked Tom for his efforts the past two years.



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7. Dam Release Report:

- a. Rob: 2021 releases: There were only three releases this year, and no spring runoff made it past the dam. Additionally, we were notified by the BOR that we were limited to roughly 60% of our 1030 AF SJCP distribution this year, resulting in a deficit accounting of around 500 AF. The letter advising this deficit will be received around the 1st of the year. Rob presented the release analysis for the August 27th release.

8. Old Business:

- a. Ongoing negotiations regarding the Amendment No. 2 to the BoR contract and a MOA with the BoR and the pueblos: Dave: We are reviewing 3 contracts that exist between the BOR, Pueblos and PVID to make sure that the language is consistent between the documents. We are also steadfast in requiring the amendment to address the implications and requirements of the Aamodt settlement Agreement.
 - i. Question: Chris Sheehan asked if the 66/33% water split between the PVID and Pueblos would be adjusted to the 60/40% split decreed in Aamodt. Rob answered that not only is the 60/40 water allocation to be addressed in the amendment, but also the attendant accounting in cost sharing of BOR expenses. Those expenses will be recomputed retroactively to the Aamodt settlement date.
- b. Ongoing negotiations with the Office of the State Engineer

9. New Business:

- a. District 1 Election – Approval of Resolution for Proclaiming and Establishing the Process for the Election of Pojoaque Valley Irrigation District (PVID) District 1 Director on December 7, 2021.
 - i. Discussion: Stephen Gomez asked if the document could be provided for review prior to the vote. Dave noted that the vote on the resolution for the election was a requirement of state law and would start the process of sending out notifications to the district membership. **Motion to Approve:** Rob Heineman, **SECOND** – Meade Martin. **MOTION CARRIED.**
- b. Dam Tender Position – Dave – Tom Dominguez has advised that he will be retiring his position as dam tender, and the Board is advertising for a new Dam Tender/Water Distribution Specialist. Rob stated that the ad is currently on Facebook, Next Door and Craigslist and will be sent out to the membership soon.



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- c. Review of 2015 Draft Rules and Regulations – Dave: We currently operate under rules from 1973. We are going through the process to draft new rules and regs compliant with current law and the Aamodt Settlement. The Board is looking for volunteers to serve on a sub-committee to review and draft the R&R.
 - i. Policy for non-release water distribution among acequias
- d. Funding and Grants Sub-Committee – request for volunteers
- e. Website – Dave - The Board is looking into development of a new website. We have contacted an individual in the valley who has offered his time and expertise gratis. Updates to follow.

10. Public Comment:

- a. **OSE** – Tomas Stockton: would like to discuss irrigated acreages with the PVID Board. A meeting will be set up soon.
- b. Chris Sheehan – meter readings on Real Time Water Measurement site have considerable delay in posting on the site. Tomas stated that he has previously looked into it and understands that the data is logged and available, but the traffic on the radio link prevents the data from posting immediately. He said he would look into it some more.
- c. Meade Martin – there is no substitute for Mayordomos visually checking headgates during a release. The real-time measurement is a great asset.

11. Adjournment:

- a. **7:31PM - MOTION TO APPROVE** – Meade Martin , **SECOND** – Rob Heineman.

12. Approval: these minutes were approved by a motion of the Board of Directors at a special meeting held on December 17, 2021.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rob Heineman
PVID Secretary/Treasurer