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Pojoaque Valley Irrigation District (PVID)

February 28, 2022 Special Meeting

And Executive Session

6:00PM – 8:00PM

Via Zoom

Minutes

1. **Call To Order:** The meeting was called to order by Chairman Dave Neal at 6:03PM 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: Curtis Thompson, Daniel Baca, John Gutting, Stephen Gomez, Thomas Stockton, Diana Gaetz, Scott DeMuth, Lewis Valdez, Chris Sheehan, Greg Swift.
3. **Approval of the Agenda:** **MOTION TO APPROVE** – Meade, **SECOND** – Rob. **MOTION CARRIED.**
4. **Disposition of Previous Minutes:**
 - a. January 13, 2022 Quarterly Meeting: **Tabled until April 5, 2022 Regular Quarterly Meeting.**
5. **Chairman's Report – Dave Neal:**
 - a. Introduction of Will McCoy – New dam tender. Will says "hi". We are happy to have him on board.
 - b. Emergency Action Plan Table Top Virtual Exercise – March 30, 2022: Annual exercise to simulate some kind of failure of the dam and test our emergency action procedures.
 - c. Trash Rack Update: Intake of the outlet works is around 90% blocked and has to be cleaned. We have secured 3 bids – it is about a 20-30K cost. Rob said that it will be a 2022-2023 expense and will put the item in next year's budget, and next year's bill
 - d. Worker's Compensation: We have solicited bids for this insurance to provide employee coverage. We cannot "piggy back" on the state worker's comp.



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- e. Web Site: Is up and running. Thanks to Rob and Flaviano Prospirini on the Acequia Larga for putting it together. The site is www.pvidnm.org. Rob asked for pictures of individual acequias to put on the site.
- 6. Treasurer's Report**
 - a. To be presented at the April General Meeting.
- 7. Old Business:**
 - a. Rob stated that the dam is close to spilling, but the runoff this year will be slight. PVID will manage the runoff starting April 1 and expects the acequias to share the water.
 - b. Ongoing negotiations with the Office of the State Engineer – Kyle Harwood: Kyle presented a copy of the January 20th letter sent by the OSE to Nambe Pueblo asserting that they have over-diverted in the past. We are hopeful that discussion between the two parties will result in equitable sharing of the water in the river. Question – John Gutting: Has the Pueblo responded to the letter? A: We have no knowledge of follow up from Nambe, but we would expect it shortly. Stephen Gomez – What will be the focus of the proposed meeting? A: Common interests of OSE, Nambe and PVID irrigators, including managing the reservoir – storage, release, etc.
- 8. Public Comment:** None.
- 9. Executive Session: Motion:** To move to Executive Closed Session in accordance with the New Mexico Open Meetings Act § 10-15-1 (H)(7), to discuss with district's attorney pertaining to pending or threatened litigation in which PVID is or may become a participant, including, without limitation the Aamodt Settlement Agreement and Decree, the Rio Grande Compact, related regulations thereof, and payment of SJCP 2021 water debt. **MOTION TO APPROVE** – Rob, **SECOND** – Meade. **MOTION CARRIED.**
- 10. The meeting reconvened at 7:54PM**
- 11. Items for Action:** None.
- 12. Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:56PM - **MOTION TO APPROVE** – Meade, **SECOND** – Rob .
- 13. Approval:** these minutes were approved by a motion of the Board of Directors at a meeting held on April 21, 2022.