

Pojoaque Valley Irrigation District

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Pojoaque Valley Irrigation District (PVID) October 3, 2023 Regular Quarterly Meeting 6:00PM to 8:30PM

Pojoaque Valley School District Administration Board Room, 1525 NM-502

Minutes

- 1. Call To Order: Chairman Dave Neal: The meeting was called to order at 6:03PM
- **2. Recognition of Quorum:** Present were board members Dave Neal, Meade Martin and Rob Heineman. Others Present: Anthony Garcia, Scott DeMuth, James & Barrie Coleman, Kimber Heineman, Tomas Stockton, Carla McCutchen, Chris Shehan.
- 3. Approval of the Agenda:
 - Motion To Approve Meade, SECOND –Rob. DISCUSSION None, VOTE –
 Motion Carried.
- 4. Disposition of Previous Minutes:
 - a. Minutes of the July 20, 2023 Special Meeting
 - **b.** Motion To Approve Meade, SECOND Rob, . DISCUSSION Minutes changed to note, VOTE Motion Carried.
- 5. Chairman's Report Dave Neal:
 - a. Pueblo/BIA Payments: We still have not received payment from the Pueblos/BIA for the 2022-2023 fiscal year. We have sent demand letters to the Pueblos, and we received a response stating they want to have a meeting. Both the Pueblos and BIA have said in a meeting with the BOR that they have no money and will not pay the bill. We are going back to the BOR to negotiate an alternative. Meade asked how the non-payment affects our annual audit. Rob stated that if the revenue is not received and not booked, the audit would not be affected. Discussion ensued about the history of BIA payments and possible solutions.
 - **b.** Reservoir Dredging: A brief discussion regarding the sediment issue and possible financial avenues available.
 - **c.** Dave introduced Tomas Stockton, the watermaster for the OSE.
- 6. Treasurer/Secretary Report Rob Heineman:



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a. PVID Operating expenses – July through September 2023 – Rob presented the Q1 P&L Statement. Items of note: the district is still in arrears two payments to the BOR.

7. District Manager/Dam Tender's Report – Ralph Manzanares:

- **a.** Operations:
 - i. Report on outstanding ASI's Fencing and steps have been completed
 - ii. Vegetation mitigation the district purchased a pole saw to cut the rabbit brush.
 - iii. Weather Station Weather station foundation has been installed, we are waiting on the instrumentation. The station was provided by NMSU under a \$90,000 grant at no cost to the district. Ralph explained the operation of the new system.
 - iv. Funding open requests discussed.
 - v. BOR report on possible BIA funding for dredging

8. Old Business:

- **a.** Draft Rules and Regulations Dave advised that we will need to rewrite contracts prior to rules and regs draft. This item will fall off old business until further notice.
- b. Accounts Receivable Collection Policy: Rob made a motion "To obtain quotes from 2 attorneys to research and draft a delinquent receivables policy that is in compliance with State Law". Motion To Approve Meade, SECOND Dave. DISCUSSION Above, VOTE Passed. Dave states that we need to research the possibility of retaining legal counsel again to chase open receivables. The costs would most likely be covered by a special assessment.

9. New Business:

a. A group discussion ensued concerning the viability of the dam and the actual value received by storing water.

10. Public Comment:

a. No additional comments were received.

11. Adjournment: 7:33PM

- a. MOTION TO APPROVE: Rob, SECOND Meade.
- **12. Approval**: these minutes were approved by a motion of the Board of Directors at a meeting held on January 16, 2024.