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# **Pojoaque Valley Irrigation District (PVID)**

## **January 16, 2024 Regular Quarterly Meeting**

### **6:00PM to 8:30PM**

## **Via Zoom**

## **Minutes**

- 1. Call To Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:03PM by Chairman Dave Neal
- 2. Recognition of Quorum:** Present were Dave Neal, Chairman, Meade Martin, Vice-Chairman, Rob Heineman – Secretary/Treasurer. Additional attendees included Curtis Thompson, Anthony Garcia, Ralph Manzanares, Antonio Duran, Mike Lujan, Selma Arnold, Alexandra, Bob Johnson, Chris Sheehan, Ed Grasinger – OSE (New Watermaster), Victoria Atencio – Nambe Pueblo, Kimber Heineman, Tomas Stockton – OSE, Kercida McClain, Susan Vaughn, Louise.
- 3. Approval of the Agenda:**
  - a. Rob advised that the meeting had been duly advertised per OMA requirements and that the agenda had been posted 5-days in advance of the meeting via email and posting on the website.
  - b. Dave proposed an addition to the agenda: 4.d. reassignment of Secretary/Treasurer duties.
  - c. **Motion To Approve – Rob, SECOND – Meade. DISCUSSION - None ,VOTE – Motion Carried.**
- 4. Appointment of District 3 Director:** Chairman Dave Neal
  - a. Discussion:
    - i. Attachment – PVID Appointment of New Director
  - b. **Motion To Approve – Rob, SECOND – Meade. DISCUSSION - None ,VOTE – Motion Carried**
  - c. Dave and Rob acknowledged Meade's contribution to the district and valley and hopes that he will stay on in an advisory capacity.
- 5. Disposition of Previous Minutes:**
  - a. Minutes of the October 3, 2023 Quarterly Meeting (Attachment)
  - b. Minutes of November 28, 2023 Special Meeting (Attachment)



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- c. Motion To Approve – Curtis, SECOND – Rob, . DISCUSSION – None , VOTE – Motion Carried.**

**6. Chairman's Report – Dave Neal:**

- a. The BOR/BIA has scheduled a meeting at Buffalo Thunder at 10AM to discuss the 10-year rolling budget. This budget is being prepared for PVID by the BOR to help the BIA plan their funding requests to Congress. The document will be non-binding.

**7. Treasurer/Secretary Report – Rob Heineman:**

- a. PVID Operating Expenses
- i. Attachment – July 2023 through January 2024 Reviewed PL/Budget
  - ii. Victoria asked for the history of the BIA/Pueblo payments and the current status. Rob attempted to explain the history of the payment issues.
- b. 2023-2024 Projected Cash Flow
- i. Attachment - July 2023 through January 2024 Reviewed PL/Cash Flow

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

- a. Operations:
- i. ASI Reports – 12 items on 2023 have been resolved. We have done the work with in-house labor.
  - ii. Vegetation mitigation – ongoing activity required on the earthen dam face to maintain the integrity of the structure.
  - iii. Weather Station – installed and operational. Waiting for the NMSU to interface with the zianet website. The system was installed under a grant from NMSU. We will operate manually in concert with the new system and corroborate that the data and manual readings are in concert. A series of pictures were presented.
  - iv. A conversation ensued between the board and Victoria. The chairman wanted to move that conversation to a private discussion.
  - v. Ralph displayed pictures from the dam showing many of the repairs that were made this year.
  - vi. Nambe Dam Repairs 2023
- b. Funding
- i. We have requested state funding for several items this year including vegetation removal, trash rack repairs.



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- c. Bathymetric Survey: Rob shared some data from the new survey and highlighted the sediment buildup over the past 40 years. The dam is currently filled with 90% of the anticipated sediment deposition for its 100-year lifespan.

#### **9. Old Business:**

- a. PVRAA – Rob is proposing that PVRAA host the irrigators meeting on April 1 and manage a survey of acequias prior to the meeting to get input for modifications to the irrigation schedule. Rob will draft a proposal for PVRAA's review.

#### **10. New Business:**

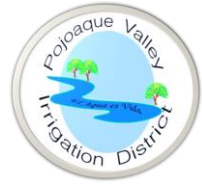
- a. Accounts Receivable Collection Policy – Rob Heineman Treasurer
  - i. Presentation of Collection Policy
  - ii. Presentation of Draft Past Due Letter
  - iii. **Possible Motion To Approve** – Rob moved to table the policy for 20 days, pending further discussions on possible alternatives. **SECOND** – Curtis. **DISCUSSION** - Much, **VOTE – Motion Passes.**
  - iv. Much discussion ensued including exemption request and Section 4 protections. The policy will be reviewed to provide latitude to the Board to relieve hardship cases. Kim advised that an educational effort be part of the policy to get everyone on board. A special meeting will be held in February to revisit this issue.
- b. Open Meetings Act Resolution 2024 – Chairman Dave Neal
  - i. Dave advises that we are required to pass an open meetings act resolution to advise the public that
  - ii. **Possible Motion To Approve** – Rob moved to approve with one correction to the date in the first paragraph, **SECOND** – Curtis. **DISCUSSION** - none, **VOTE – Motion Passed**

#### **11. Public Comment:**

- a. Tribal Government
  - i. Pueblo of Nambe – Mike Lujan – how much water would remain in the reservoir if PVID past due accounts were taken into account? Dave said the issue would be addressed at the special meeting in February.
  - ii. Pueblo of Pojoaque – none
  - iii. Pueblo of San Ildefonso – none
  - iv. BIA - none
- b. Individual Acequias -
- c. BOR – none



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d. OSE – none

e. PVRAA – Anthony offered to attend any acequia meetings and will work with all.

**12. Adjournment:**

a. **MOTION TO APPROVE:** – Rob, **SECOND** – Curtis.

**13. Approval:** these minutes were approved by a motion of the Board of Directors at a meeting held on April 15, 2023.