MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF DELTA LAKE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

BE IT REMEMBERED that a Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors was held on August 21, 2024, with the following present:

Present were: President, David Esau

Vice President, Matthew Klostermann

Secretary, Joe Pennington Director, Chuck McDonald Director, Richard Ruppert Attorney, Alan T. Ozuna General Manager, Troy Allen

Directors absent were:

Also present were: Evan Horn, Terra-Gen

Tyler Pierce, Terra-Gen Mitt Howard, Terra-Gen

A quorum being present, Board President, Esau, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., and the Board of Directors of Delta Lake Irrigation District considered the following items:

Item #1: Approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on July 17, 2024.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Director McDonald and second by Director Pennington to approve the July 17, 2024, minutes.

Motion carried unanimous

Item #5.1: Consideration and action on hearing to exclude Country Estates Subdivision, being 20 acres of land out of the north half of Lot 12 Block 63 Gulf Coast Irrigation Co. Subdivision, Willacy County, Texas.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Director Klostermann and second by Director Pennington to exclude Country Estates Subdivision plat, being 20 acres of land out of the north half of Lot 12 Block 63 Gulf Coast Irrigation Co. Subdivision, Willacy County, Texas (owner: Manuel Angel Murillo).

Motion carried unanimous

Item #5.2: Consideration and action on Calling hearing for exclusion of S ½ Lot 117 Delta Orchards Company Unit #1 Subdivision, Hidalgo County, Texas, acres 5.00 (owner: Ricardo Rene Garza).

- **Item #5.3:** Consideration and action on Calling hearing for exclusion of W165' Lot 34 Delta Orchards Company Unit #2 Subdivision, Hidalgo County, Texas, acres 5.00 (owner: Roberto Jr. & Ludiviana Galvan).
- **Item #5.4:** Consideration and action on Calling hearing for exclusion of Lot 46 Delta Orchards Company Unit #2 Subdivision, Hidalgo County, Texas, acres 10.00 (owner: Arcelia Parra).
- **Item #5.5:** Consideration and action on Calling hearing for exclusion of S198'-N228'-W342' Lot 59 Delta Orchards Company Unit #4 Subdivision, Hidalgo County, Texas, acres 1.55 (owner: Vicente Ruiz & Guadalupe Gonzalez).
- **Item #5.6:** Consideration and action on Calling hearing for exclusion of Lot 206 Delta Orchards Company Unit #7 Subdivision, Hidalgo County, Texas, acres 1.25 (owner: Maria Sanchez).
- Item #5.7: Consideration and action on Calling hearing for exclusion of Lot 60 Evergreen Development Company Subdivision Unit #2, Hidalgo County, Texas, acres 4.88 (owner: Rigoberto & Leticia Pruneda).
- **Item #5.8:** Consideration and action on Calling hearing for exclusion of Lot 89 Evergreen Development Company Subdivision Unit #3, Hidalgo County, Texas, acres 17.18 (owner: Yvette Alanis ET AL).
- **Item #5.9:** Consideration and action on Calling hearing for exclusion of N5ac-S15ac Lot 10 Block 90 Missouri Texas Land & Irrigation Co. Subdivision, Hidalgo County, Texas, acres 5.00 (owner: Guillermo & Miriam Lozano).

A MOTION WAS MADE by Director McDonald and second by Director Klostermann to call a hearing for the exclusion of Item #5.2-#5.9.

Motion carried unanimous

Item #6.1: Consideration and possible action on Installing interconnect with Engelman Irrigation District Pump #1.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Director McDonald and second by Director Klostermann to approve installing interconnect with Engelman Irrigation District Pump #1.

Motion carried unanimous

Director Ruppert joined meeting.

Item #4.1: Presentation on Monte Alto Wind Farm – Milton Howard and Tyler Pierce.

Tyler Pierce of Terra-Gen presented his request for a tax abatement for the Monte Alto Wind Farm that is going to be constructed in the District's jurisdiction.

Item #4.2: Executive session: Deliberation in closed session pursuant to Texas Government Code, sec. 551.072 – deliberation regarding real estate matters concerning item 4.1.

Executive session was not called.

Item #4.3: Discussion and possible action on Monte Alto Wind Farm Request for Tax Abatement and related matters.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Director Klostermann and second by Director Ruppert to deny the tax abatement with the terms presented and authorize General Manager Allen counter offer with a different guaranteed payment option.

Motion carried unanimous

Item #2: Public Forum Comments: None

Item #3: Monthly report from Tax Assessor/Collector.

Tax Assessor-Collector Andrea Perez made the monthly tax report.

Item #3.1: Presentation of Truth-In-Taxation calculation with recommended proposed Ad Valorem tax rate for the 2024 tax year.

Tax Assessor-Collector Andrea Perez presented to the Board the values as received by Hidalgo County Appraisal District and Willacy County Appraisal District and the recommended proposed ad valorem tax rate for the 2024 tax year is not to exceed \$0.547/\$100 in taxable value.

After some discussion, A MOTION WAS MADE by Director Klostermann and second by Director Esau to propose a rate of \$0.547/\$100 in taxable value and call a hearing for the next regular meeting.

Motion carried unanimous.

Item #6.2: Consideration and possible action on use of municipal water for agriculture irrigation.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Director Ruppert and second by Director McDonald to disallow the use of municipal water for agriculture use.

Motion carried unanimous

Item #6.3: Consideration and possible action on water in canals and/or lateral systems during periods of allocation.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Director Pennington and second by Director McDonald to authorize General Manager Allen to develop guidelines to follow for landowners with

small ponds on delivering water to them during times the District is on allocation, on a case by case basis.

Motion carried unanimous

Item #6.4: Consideration and possible action on pursuing a grant through USBR.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Director Pennington and second by Director McDonald to authorize General Manager Allen to pursue a grant through USBR.

Motion carried unanimous

Item #7.1: Water Update

General Manager Allen informed the Board the District has pumped 34,397 ac/ft and sold 25,642 ac/ft as of July 2024. The District's useable balance is 11,402 ac/ft and the storage balance is 11,402 ac/ft. The District has pumped 78 ac/ft of no charge water and was allocated 6,682 ac/ft of water.

Item #7.2: Pump 50

General Manager Allen gave a final report on the completion of the Pump 50 project.

Item #8: Report of Directors on property, finances, personnel, future events, legal matters and agenda items, <u>including but not limited to particular items specified below, if</u> any.: None

Item #9: Approval of Vouchers.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Director McDonald and second by Director Klostermann to approve the vouchers for the month of mid-July 2024 to mid-August 2024.

Motion carried unanimous.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, A MOTION WAS MADE by Director Ruppert and second by Director Klostermann to adjourn the meeting at 11:29 a.m.

	Motion carried unanimous.
	President, Board of Directors
Secretary, Board of Directors	