



DURHAM IRRIGATION DISTRICT
Meeting Minutes
Board of Directors:

Matt Doyle, Chair; Kevin Phillips, Treasurer; Derek Sohnrey

Tuesday, June 18, 2024
5:30 PM

District Office
9418-C Midway
Durham CA 95938

1 CALL TO ORDER – 5:30 PM

Present: Directors Doyle, Phillips and Sohnrey.

Also present: District Engineer Mark Adams, Water Operator Adam Daigle, and Administrative Assistant Jeannie Trizzino.

2 ROLL CALL / OPENING BUSINESS

2.1 AGENDA APPROVAL, ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS - NONE

2.2 PUBLIC COMMENT - NONE

3 CORRESPONDENCE - NONE

4 PRESENTATIONS - NONE

5 REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM DIRECTORS

5.1 VINA GSA REPORT (Vina GSA Calendar here: <https://www.vinagsa.org/calendar>)

SUBJECT: Status report on Vina GSA.

FISCAL IMPACT: NONE

ACTION REQUESTED: Receive information, discuss and provide direction to staff.

6 PUBLIC HEARINGS - NONE

7 INFORMATION/CONSENT CALENDAR

A motion was made by Director Phillips and seconded by Director Sohnrey to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 3 – Doyle, Phillips, Sohnrey

Nay: 0

Absent: none

7.1 Warrant Sheet from May 23, 2024 to June 13, 2024, including payments, deposits, and transaction adjustments.

SUBJECT: Approve payments, deposits, and transaction adjustments.

FISCAL IMPACT: See attachments.

ACTION REQUESTED: APPROVE

This action was approved on the Consent Agenda.

8 DISTRICT ENGINEER REPORT (NON-ACTION ITEMS)

- 8.1 USBR Grant-Funded Meter Replacement and Lead Service Laterals Assessment Project
SUBJECT: USBR Project update
FISCAL IMPACT: NONE
ACTION REQUESTED: Receive information, discuss and provide direction to staff.

Staff reports the District is still awaiting the go-ahead from USBR to request the release of grant funds.

- 8.2 CIP Update
SUBJECT: District Engineer to report on FINAL CIP dated June 2024.
FISCAL IMPACT: NONE
ACTION REQUESTED: Receive and adopt FINAL CIP dated June 2024.

District Engineer Mark Adams confirmed that the CIP phasing changes had been made and addressed other issues raised by Director Doyle relating to Project 2. Additionally, District Engineer noted that hydrants will be upgraded as part of the pipeline improvements. Each service line is itemized and includes the hydrants on that section of pipeline. Director Phillips advises that it is okay to include the hydrant costs as part of the pipeline. District Engineer Adams advises that no new hydrants should be installed as they are already at the proper distance apart.

District Engineer Adams notes that supervised interns at NorthStar are updating District maps at no cost to the District.

A motion was made by Director Phillips and seconded by Director Sohnrey to adopt the FINAL CIP dated June 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 3 – Doyle, Phillips, Sohnrey
Nay: 0
Absent: none

- 8.3 Capacity Fees
SUBJECT: District Engineer to provide a schedule for the Capacity Fee/Prop 218 Process.
FISCAL IMPACT: NONE
ACTION REQUESTED: Receive information, discuss and provide direction to staff.

District Engineer Mark Adams advises the District to start and complete the Proposition 218 process for proposed 2025-2029 rate increase cycle before the December 2024 holidays. The basic structure for District rates will consist of the base fee, usage charge, and a CIP fee, with possible consideration of a built-in cost of living increase. The District's capacity fees will be revised. The CIP work will increase the value of the entire system, so the cost of connecting to the system increases proportionally.

District Engineer plans to schedule two meetings, one to discuss the Congressional Community Project Funding (aka "earmark") for the proposed 1.0 million gallon water tank project, and a second meeting with the District's Capacity Fee Committee, which consists of Director Kevin Phillips, to better characterize CIP or other projects that could

be integrated into the water tank project. After this meeting, the District Engineer will develop a recommendation for the Board.

9 DEVELOPMENT PROJECT REPORT (NON-ACTION ITEMS)

SUBJECT: Creekside Estates Development
FISCAL IMPACT: NONE

No report.

10 DISTRICT OUTREACH REPORT (NON-ACTION ITEMS)

SUBJECT: Report by Nicole Johansson on the following areas: community outreach, funding opportunities, legislative outreach, and management responsibilities, including mass notification system.

FISCAL IMPACT: NONE

ACTION REQUESTED: Receive information, discuss and provide direction to staff.

No report.

11 WATER OPERATOR REPORT (NON-ACTION ITEMS)

SUBJECT: Report by water operator on previous month's activities.

FISCAL IMPACT: NONE

ACTION REQUESTED: Receive information, discuss and provide direction to staff.

Water Operator Adam Daigle reports that there are no issues and confirms that the Holland well performed well during the catastrophic fire at Tozier's Hardware on Durham Dayton Highway.

Water Operator continues to work through the backlog of open work orders.

12 DISTRICT COUNSEL REPORT (NON-ACTION ITEMS)

No report.

13 REGULAR AGENDA

13.1 Consideration of District Bylaws

SUBJECT: Consideration of District Bylaws. *Continued from April 2024 board meeting.*

FISCAL IMPACT: NONE

ACTION REQUESTED: Adopt District Bylaws.

Director Phillips reported only to comment that the District board will continue to have the following roles: President, Treasurer (=Fiscal Officer), and Secretary.

13.2 EPA Regulations on PFAS / PFOA monitoring and treatment

SUBJECT: In April 2024, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced that it will issue new regulations to limit the amount of certain per- and polyfluoroalkyl

substances (PFAS) found in drinking water. Among other things, the agency will require that public water utilities test for six different types of PFAS chemicals. Operators will have three years to test for PFAS pollution, then an additional two years to identify, purchase, and install necessary technology to treat contaminated water.

FISCAL IMPACT: UNKNOWN

ACTION REQUESTED: Guidance on planning for the future impact of these regulations on the District.

Director Phillips recommended the water operator arrange for PFAS/PFOA testing of all three wells as soon as practical.

14 DIRECTORS' COMMENTS

Director Phillips commented that he is looking forward to progress on implementing the District's Capital Improvement Plan.

Director Sohnrey noted that he will be absent for the currently scheduled November 19, 2024 board meeting.

15 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:17 pm. The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for July 16, 2024.

APPROVED ON AUGUST 20, 2024 BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.