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**Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors
Root Creek Water District
held on
October 12, 2020**

1. Call to Order:

The board meeting for the Root Creek Water District was called to order at 11:12 a.m. via conference call by President Nick Bruno. Board members present were: Nick Bruno, Jeff Coulthard, Dan Hoffman, Lynn Hoffman, Toni Scarborough and Amber Mendoza. Members absent: Eric Bream. Members of the public included Julia Berry, Lauren Layne, and Brian Ehlers, Emory Wishon, Shay Bakman, Al Solis and Brian Partridge.

2. Additions to the Agenda:

There were no additions to the agenda

3. Public Comment:

There was no public comment.

4. Potential Conflicts of Interests:

There were no conflicts identified.

5. Consent Calendar:

A motion to approve item 5a. Minutes of the Special Board Meeting on September 21, 2020 was made by Director L. Hoffman, seconded by Director Coulthard, and the motion carried.

6. Correspondence:

There was no correspondence.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Water Supply and Utilization ad hoc Committee

The Committee continues to work with Counsel on proposed amendments to the water supply contract with Madera Irrigation District and discussed water supply options at the meeting on October 2, 2020.

b. Wastewater Working Group (WWG)

The 50,000 gallons per day MBR plant was delivered and installed on time by Cloacina and is currently operating, alongside the 2 initial Ovivo MBR plants.

8. BOARD ACTION ITEMS

New Business

a. District Standards and Specifications

A motion was made by Director D. Hoffman and seconded by Director Scarborough to update language in the standards, including: “point to point” alignment of water service pipelines, Reinforced Concrete Pipe (RCP), Coating (copper tubing), compaction reporting requirements, and compaction testing requirements. The motion carried.

b. Wastewater Treatment Facility Parts

A motion was made by Director Coulthard and seconded by Director L. Hoffman to purchase adaptor kits for the Ovivo MBR wastewater facilities in the amount of \$25,104.19. The motion carried.

9. District Engineer’s Report

The average daily flow at the wastewater plant in August was 77,000 gallons per day (gpd), peak flow daily is 100,000 gpd, down from the prior month. Total water supply for the month of September was approximately 12 million gallons, down from 14 million due to the cooler weather. There are approximately 600 connections to the water system, and Stone Creek Elementary has started irrigation the ball and soccer fields. Municipal Well #2 was taken offline temporarily for maintenance and is now operational.

Two Request for Proposals (RFP) will result in bid submittal at the end of October: 1) 400,000 gpd wastewater treatment plant, 2) and the drilling of a test well.

The final set of plans to convert Well #276 to a municipal well will be completed at the end of November. At that time, and RFP will be issued to perform the conversion and connect the well to the system.

10. Legal Counsel Report

Mrs. Layne reported that AB 3030, which converted 30% of the state lands and waters for state use, died October 8, 2020. The Governor issued an Executive Order to conserve 30% of state lands and waters which will influence the San Joaquin River.

Litigation: Power Vs. County of Stanislaus addressed well permits and addressed the question of whether well permits are ministerial or discretionary. The CA Supreme Court said they are neither ministerial nor discretionary.

11. General Manager’s Report

Riverstone Building Permits:
September 15

GM Berry was directed by the Board of Directors to notice and schedule a public hearing for December 14, 2020 in order to set the District assessment and fee rates for 2021.

12. Closed Session

There were no reportable items from Closed Session.

13. Adjournment

Director L. Hoffman made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Director Scarborough, and the motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 12:03 a.m.



Julia D. Berry, District Secretary