

Merquin County Water District

Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Of the Board of Directors
Wednesday, February 23, 2022

The Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Merquin County Water District called to order in regular session at 19684 Second Ave., Stevinson, California at 6:00 p.m.

Present were, President Freddy Oliveira, Director Rosemary Ouse, Director Danny Drumonde, Director Phil Dores, Director Adam Azevedo.

MOTION APPROVING MINUTES of February 8, 2022

Moved by Director Danny Drumonde, seconded by Director Rosemary Ouse to approve the minutes of February 8, 2022

Motion Carried Unanimously

MOTION APPROVING LIST OF WARRANTS

Moved by Director Danny Drumonde, seconded by Director Rosemary Ouse, approving the list of warrants \$16,766.25.

Motion Carried Unanimously

MOTION ACCEPTING CHECKING ACCOUNT EXPENDITURES

None

Motion approving Retro Pay for MCWD Retirement Account in a flat amount of \$9,000.00 per employee, for January 2018 to September 2021

Moved by Director Adam Azevedo, seconded by Director Phil Dores approving Retro Pay for MVWD Retirement Account in a flat amount of \$9000.00 per employee, for January 2018 to September 2021.

Motion Carried Unanimously

MOTION APPROVING ENTITLEMENT LIST

Moved by Director Adam Azevedo, seconded by Director Danny Drumonde approving Entitlement List. River Rock Entitlement was Approved by the Board

Motion Carried Unanimously

MOTION APPROVING PRICING FOR PRIORITY USE AGREEMENT

TABLED

DISCUSSION ON SURFACE WATER AVAILABILITY 2022

The dam is at 285 so the water district should be receiving their full allotment for 2022. CCID set their water rate at \$20.00 acre-foot for the first two-acre feet, \$50.00 for the third acre foot and

\$90.00 fourth foot. MCWD basis their pricing on the lowest price of Modesto Irrigation District, Merced Irrigation District and CCID.

MOTION APPROVING SURFACE WATER RATES FOR 2022

Moved by Director Danny Drumonde, seconded by Director Rosemary Ouse approving Surface Water rates for 2022 at \$32.50 acre-foot for all tiers, in season water begins April 1, 2022. If the full allotment of water is not granted (critical year) tier four will be increased in price.

**Vote: Ayes: Danny Drumonde
Rosemary Ouse
Freddy Oliviera
Nays: Adam Azevedo
Phil Dores**

**Correspondence:
N700 Forms**

Eric Swenson-Civil Engineer Not in Attendance.

MATTERS FOR THE GOOD OF THE DISTRICT

Reference was made to the horse ranch property on Fourth Ave. has a change in ownership, escrow should be contacting the office to clear the account balance owed to the water district.

Dave Nervino: Dave brought to the board's attention at the GSA meeting MCWD does not own parcels of land. When the district needs to redo a well site there needs to be more variations of how far the well can be moved over, cannot just move over fifty feet onto another parcel because we do not have them, an acceptance should be made for all water districts go by the rules as to where to relocate but give more leant in well placement. Dave brought up the developing of a mailing list for the 218 votes to be mailed out to only property owners who irrigate land. Dave also mentioned there has been several parcels owners who irrigate but never received the mailed ballot for the vote. The 218 votes will sunset in 2025, the GSA board mentioned then there will be another 218 vote to keep it going. Dave brought up there should be a panel of two people from each GSA to discuss what projects should be worked on then go to DWR and apply for money to fund projects.

Larry Mattos and Joe Nascimento of River Rock attended the meeting to discuss the wastewater residue issue from their facility. Larry is willing to fix issues the dairy has to satisfy MCWD standards of no wastewater in district pipeline. Larry requested a letter be sent to River Rock approving their entitlement.

OFFICE/MAINTENANCE

Office

Jamie did not have anything to report

Maintenance

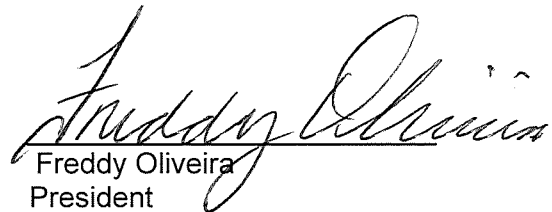
Jimmy- Eric Swenson is trying to get approval to drill a well past quarter mile, the district will have to give up two wells to get one well approved. Jimmy stated well site #21 is dried up it has not been used in years, other well sites could be #4 or #10.

Burned weeds on the Gooseneck, Lemus, and Koch, will be burning weeds on McDonald, continuing to run wells on Nelander, Gooseneck and the Sprole is running for the Borba Dairy.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

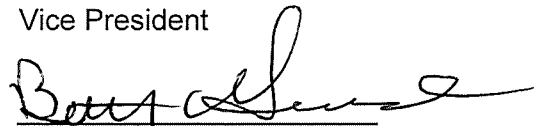
Moved by Director Adam Azevedo seconded by Director Phil Dores to adjourn.

Motion Carried Unanimously


Freddy Oliveira
President

Adam Azevedo

Vice President


Betty Guest
Secretary