

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
of the
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
HILLS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT

June 12, 2025

Visalia, California

CALL TO ORDER

Secretary Keller called the meeting to order at 12:33 p.m. with the following in attendance: Directors Archer and Rinaldi. Also in attendance were Tracy Jones, Engineer-Secretary Dennis Keller, Engineer Nick Keller and Recording Secretary Carol Johnstone.

POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

The Secretary asked the Directors if there were any potential conflicts of interest to be declared and none were offered.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The Secretary asked if there were any comments to be presented during this portion of the Agenda and none were offered.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE ADDED TO THE Agenda

The Secretary asked if there were any additional items to be considered for addition to the Agenda and none were offered.

WATER SUPPLY AND OPERATIONAL ISSUES

2025-2026 Water Supply Issues, Schedule, Allocations and Purchase/Exchange/Transfer Options

Engineer Nick Keller reviewed with the Board that, for the 2025-2026 Water Year, the current available District water supply for the year totals 3,627 af. The amount ordered was 769 af in excess of the current available amount. It was noted that there is discussion about two (2) possible water purchases, but it is probable the District won't be able to satisfy the existing orders in an amount excess to the current available amount. Nick Keller will be meeting with DWR regarding pumping CVC water next week. He does not anticipate any headway with DWR until September.

Loren Booth joined the meeting by ZOOM at 12:43 p.m.

Director Archer asked if the storage with SWID is still available. It was noted that it is, but it would require a 2/1 exchange ratio. The current storage quantity available with SWID is 30,000af.

Drought Pool MOU Authorization

Nick Keller reported that several entities have pulled out of the USBR Drought Pool such as the City of Fresno, City of Lindsay and the Garfield Water District. The revised Drought Pool MOU quantity was changed for the District from 3,900 af to 4,600 af. A motion was made by Director Archer to authorize execution of the revised MOU. Director Rinaldi seconded the motion and it was carried.

AUDITORS REVIEW/AUDIT STATUS

Engineer D. Keller reported to the Board that communication had started up again with BakerTilley regarding the 2014 audit. He reviewed with the Board that there were three (3) water billings that were never received or paid by the District for 2014 water. He indicated that he would put them together and have the District approve payment of the invoices to bring the issue current.

FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Treasurer's Report

The Secretary noted that the current Financial Report had been included in the Board meeting packet. Review of the document, covering the period April 10, 2025, through June 12, 2025, occurred. Review included adding the AEWSO bank balance to the current and future financial statements. Following review, it was moved by Director Rinaldi to accept the Financial Report and to authorize the payment of bills. The motion was seconded by Director Archer and carried.

USBR Reconciliation Payments

Secretary Keller reviewed with the Board the reconciliation payment received from the USBR is not tied to any invoice or period of time. It was therefore a Board decision on what to do with the funds. One option would be to divide the funds by the existing Entitlement Holders basis and disburse. Another option is to have the District retain and use the funds as cash flow to be able to purchase water. The Board would be able to change the policy at any time and then allocate back to the Entitlement Holders by a means of their choice. Following a brief discussion, it was asked that a summary of the funds to be received be presented to the Board. An alternative discussed was that funds be identified as Entitlement Holder funds and allocated to Entitlement Holders and dispersed as individual credits.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Minutes

Secretary Keller reported that the minutes of the meeting of April 10, 2025, had been transmitted to the Board for review prior to the Board meeting. He asked if there were any corrections or additions to same. A motion was made by Director Rinaldi to accept the minutes. The motion was seconded by Director Archer and the motion was carried.

Web Site Contract

Nick Keller reported to the Board that the new website had been developed and would go live the following week. The website pathway is HillsValleyID.org.

USBR Accounting Issues

Engineer Keller reported to the Board that the USBR Accounting Department has sent out a request for bank information for wire transfer of the approximately \$231,000 which is currently on deposit with the USBR, requested for return to the District.

REPAIRS

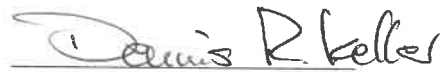
Replace three (3) meters

Engineer D. Keller reported that three (3) meters were no longer working and he needed authorization to purchase replacement meters. A motion was made by Director Rinaldi to authorize the purchase of three (3) new meters. The motion was seconded by Director Archer and carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no more items to address, the Secretary adjourned the meeting at 1:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Dennis R. Keller, Secretary