

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 5, 2023
DISTRICT OFFICE

ROLL CALL:

Board President Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M. Those in attendance: Director Rodriguez, Director Peranick, Director Valdez, Director Gonzales, Neal Costanzo, Jason Franklin, JoAnn Vierra. Also in attendance: Ron Vega (property owner), Lori Garcia, Elaine Guerrero.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Minutes of the regular meeting of Aug. 1, 2023 & special meeting of Aug. 22, 2023 & bills payable were accepted as presented.

PUBLIC ADDRESS: NONE

PUBLIC HEARINGS: Property owner Ron Vega addressed the Board regarding his account. He stated that there had been an issue regarding the District’s billing on his account, explaining that the District’s records were showing that his property at 97 W. Beechwood was a lot size at over 1 acre. He stated that he went to the County and obtained records that show the lot is much smaller and that he had contacted the District office with this information. (The District began billing according to lot size in 2021). Jason explained that Mr. Vega’s account had been adjusted to reflect the change, and that the account had been credited for the difference in billing. Elaine Guerrero inquired regarding the Public Hearing slated for Oct. 17 and the proposed sewer increase. Neal explained that this matter could not be discussed during General Session, and that all questions must be presented at the Oct. 17 Public Hearing. At this time, Ron Vega, Elaine Guerrero & Lori Garcia exited the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

6.1 Consideration & Necessary Action on Resolution 2023-05 Ratifying a Letter of Authorization to the Fresno County Tax Collector.
This Resolution was requested by the Fresno County Assessor’s office for the Special Assessments. The resolution states that District Secretary, JoAnn Vierra, has been granted the authority to add/change/delete Special Assessments/Special Taxes for the 2023/2024 tax year and for an indefinite time in the future. Director Peranick motioned to adopt Resolution 2023-05 as stated above; Director Valdez seconded. Vote was cast, with all in favor to adopt Resolution 2023-05, and with Director Baroni being absent.

DEFERRED BUSINESS:

7.1 Harrison Hughes was unable to attend the meeting, but provided a written update on the Water Meter Project & the Main Replacement Project funding which was read by Jason. Question was posed regarding whether there has been an extension granted for the installation of meters, and Jason stated that it’s his understanding that the deadline has now been extended until 2032.

CORRESPONDENCE: NONE

BOARD AND STAFF REPORTS:

- 9.1 Manager’s Report:**
 - 9.1.1** Jason presented the District’s Water Shortage Contingency Plan to the Board for approval and acceptance. This is a plan which was drawn up for the District by Provost & Pritchard and is required in accordance with Senate Bill 552. Director Valdez motioned to accept and approve the plan, Director Peranick seconded. Vote was cast, with all in favor and Director Baroni being absent.
- 9.2 Engineer’s Report:** NONE
- 9.3 Attorney’s Report:** NONE
- 9.4 Board President’s Report:** NONE
- 9.5 Director’s Report(s):** NONE

10. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned to Closed Session at 5:17 p.m.

APPROVED BY : RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

DAVID RODRIGUEZ
BOARD PRESIDENT
JOANN VIERRA
DISTRICT SECRETARY