

ANNUAL MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

July 1, 2025

The Board of Directors of the Riverdale Irrigation District met in regular session on July 1, 2025. Directors present were John L. Mendes-President, Tony Fontes and Leonard Acquistapace- Vice President. Others present were David Kahn-Attorney, Frank Thomas-Manager, Daniel Perez -JPA Manager and Secretary Yareli Zarate.

President Mendes called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Election of Officers

Attorney Kahn presided over the election of officers and opened the meeting for nominations. Director Fontes made a motion to elect John Mendes as President, Leonard Acquistapace as Vice President and Yareli Zarate as Secretary, Assessor/Collector/Treasurer; this motion was seconded by Director Acquistapace and approved by a unanimous vote.

Minutes

The Secretary mailed a copy of the minutes of the June 4, 2025 meeting to the Directors. After discussion, Vice President Acquistapace made a motion, seconded by Director Fontes and unanimously carried to approve the minutes as mailed.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer reported that \$30,000.00 was transferred from Money Market Account to Checking during the month of June for payment of the June payroll and bills that are due in June 2025.

The Treasurer reported the following account balances as of June 30, 2025: Checking - \$10,809.01, BMO Money Market Account - \$46,092.39, State L.A.I.F. - \$5,817.23, Valley Strong Checking- \$82,004.78, Valley Strong MMA- \$95,000.00. The total amount in all accounts is \$239,723.41.

The Treasurer reported that \$22,000.00 will be transferred from Money Market Account to BMO Checking on July 1, 2025 for payment of the July payroll and bills due the beginning of July.

The Treasurer presented a list of the bills received after the June 4, 2025 meeting that were paid with the discretion of the President and Secretary and a list of bills received as of today that are due and payable in July. After discussion, a motion was made by Vice President Acquistapace, seconded by Director Fontes and unanimously carried to ratify the action of the President and Secretary in payment of the bills listed as paid, and authorize payment of the bills listed as due and payable in July. A copy of the list of bills is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

2025 Budget

The Secretary prepared the 2025 budget Draft and handed out copies. After review and discussion, a motion was made by Vice President Acquistapace, seconded by Director Fontes and unanimously carried to approve the 2025 Budget Draft as presented but will revisit the budget once billing from the JPA and RID's participation costs has been determined. A copy of the Budget will be kept on file.

Report of Correspondence

KRWA – Sent a letter dated June 19, 2024 from Crescent Canal Company requesting approval to transfer 75-acre feet of its Kings River water to Upper San Jose Water Company for use within the Kings River Service Area. The Water will be transferred from Crescent Canal Company's storage account in the Pine Flat Reservoir.

Report of Attorney

Attorney Kahn reported that the KRWA had a carry over from last year and were determining whether to maintain the same rate as last year or increase it by 5% for water rights. After discussion, the Board took no action.

Update on North Fork Kings GSA

President Mendes reported the GSA had sent outreach letters for workshops to see how the portal is working. After a lengthy discussion regarding upcoming pumping restrictions. The Board decided to invite Justin Mendes from the NFKGSA to attend our next meeting to clarify and explain all of these new requirements that are being implemented to the Board. No further action needed at this time.

Old Business

Update on Blythe Ave. Recharge Basin Project:

Manager Frank Thomas shared the pond has been completed but will need to add boards to back water up in order for the meter to work. Secretary Yareli shared she is awaiting reimbursement on the remaining grant balance in the amount of \$49,244.27. After discussion, no further action was needed at this time.

New Business

No New Business.

Report of RID and JPA Managers

RID Manager Thomas' Report:

Manager Thomas reported that a private recharge pond had been filled and had notified the landowner of the possible penalties. The landowner explained it was a misunderstanding and would no longer fill the pond. After discussion, the Board took no action.

JPA Manager Perez's Report:

Manager Perez shared some areas through the Riverdale Ditch that may need some upgrading to improve water deliveries. He discussed about upgrading the divides and adding meters with sonar that measures the water flow and give live data with notifications and give readings on losses. Estimated cost would be \$30,000. After lengthy discussion the Board will revisit and consider these upgrades after the ditches are dry.

After discussion, the Board had no further questions or instructions for Manager Thomas and Manager Perez.

Adjourn to Closed Session

The meeting was adjourned to closed session at 9:29 a.m. for the following:

- i) Closed Session – Conference with Legal Counsel – Pending Litigation
Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1). The Board of Directors will meet in closed session to confer with counsel regarding *James Irrigation District v. Kings River Water Association, et al.*
- ii) Closed Session – Conference with Legal Counsel – Pending Litigation
Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1). The Board of Directors will meet in closed session to confer with counsel regarding *Kings River Water Association v. R.D. #761, et al.*
- iii) Closed Session – Conference with Legal Counsel – Pending Litigation
Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1). The Board of Directors will meet in closed session to confer with counsel regarding *State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Water Rights, KRWa Petition for Change Re License No. 11521.*
- iv) Closed Session – Conference with Legal Counsel – Pending Litigation
Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1). The Board of Directors will meet in closed session to confer with counsel regarding *State Water Resources Control Board, Petitions to Revoke or Revise the Declaration of Fully Appropriated Stream Systems with respect to the Kings River System.*
- v) Closed Session – Conference with Legal Counsel – Pending Litigation
Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1). The Board of Directors will meet in closed session to confer with counsel regarding *State Water Resources Control Board, Semitropic Improvement District of Semitropic Water Storage District v. Kings River Water Association et al; Complaint in Support of Petition to Revise and/or Revoke Declaration of Fully Appropriated Stream System for the Kings River.*
- vi) Closed Session – Conference with Legal Counsel – Pending Litigation
Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(2). One Potential Case.

Reconvene to Open Session

President Mendes reconvened the meeting to open session at 9:30 a.m. and stated that no reportable action was taken in closed session. The Board went on to discuss another item, Attorney Kahn reported on a sale on the Zelda Property, the Board will set this item for next months agenda and discuss it then.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Yareli Zarate, Secretary