Keith Hadick, President (Division 3) Greg Flores, Vice President (Division 1) Casey Conrad, Treasurer (Division 6) Andy Adam, Secretary (Division 2) Gerald Mahoney, Director (Division 4) Thomas Gibbons, Director (Division 7) *Vacant*, Director (Division 5)



# SANTA MARIA VALLEY WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES– December 15, 2022**

District Office 2255 S. Broadway, Ste. 8E Santa Maria, California

CALL TO ORDER: at 6:44 P.M.

ROLL CALL: Present were Hadick, Flores, Conrad, Mahoney, and Adam

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE lead by President Hadick

There was a motion and seconded by Hadick and Adam to take the approval of the agenda out of order: Unanimous.

#### FINANCIAL ACTION ITEMS AND REPORTS

**Approval of Warrants for October and November 2022 –** Warrants for October and November: It was moved and seconded by Conrad and Mahoney to receive and file report: 5-0-0-2 [Gibbons absent]

**Financial Reports** – There was a motioned and seconded to receive and file report(s) by Conrad and Adam: 5-0-0-2

Finance Committee & Treasurer Report – No report.

**PUBLIC COMMENT -** Matt Scrudato, Santa Barbara County Flood asked about status of MSL contract.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

**CalOES/FEMA Appeal** – CalOES Update (Conrad): Nick Vaquero said to contact him if FEMA had not responded by the end of November; Conrad contacted and Nick Vaquero says to give things another month because FEMA is backed up; called back two days later, just got an email, been denied again for final appeal, waiting on an official determination letter and full report, similar to prior appeal determinations Motion was made and seconded to receive and file report: Conrad and Adam: 5-0-0-2 [Gibbons absent]

CALL TO ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION - at 7:12 PM to 8:04 PM

### CONVENE BACK TO OPEN SESSION - at 8:04 PM

**CONSENT CALENDAR –** It was motioned and seconded by Hadick and Conrad to bundle and approve minutes: 5-0-0-2 [Gibbons absent]

### **REPORTS AND INFORMATION**

**Report on Operations at Twitchell Dam** – Dam Tender Frazier. It was motioned and seconded by Hadick and Adam to receive and file reports(s): 5-0-0-2 [Gibbons absent]

**Twitchell Operations Committee (TOC)** – Director Conrad stated that an email was received; All American pipeline purchased by Exxon Mobil; they want to meet with District to possibly get access to look at the reservoir and discuss operations for purposes of putting together EAP in case of spill; pipeline crosses the river at Spanish Ranch will be out January 19-21, Director Conrad to handle. It was motioned and seconded by Hadick and Flores to receive and file report: 5-0-0-2 [Gibbons absent]

**Personnel Committee** – Director Hadick started he is still pursuing HR assistance; Director Mahoney to be the Chair, to be following up on HR assistance; Employee Handbook review and revision. Mahoney received some follow up from one contact, and he will send it to the Committee for review at the next meeting. Dam Tender/Secretary Frazier stated info from Bambee (online service). It was motioned and seconded by Hadick and Flores to receive and file: 5-0-0-2 [Gibbons absent]

**Employee Appreciation Dinner**— Dam Tender/Secretary Frazier is to look into an event date in January for estimated up to 20 participants. It was motioned and seconded by Flores and Hadick to approve scheduling of Employee and Regular Contractor Appreciation Dinner, to be scheduled in January: 4-0-1-2 [Conrad abstains; Gibbons absent]

### **ACTION ITEMS**

**Confirmation of Abandonment of Office for Division 7** – Discussion regarding abandonment of the office of Director for Division 7 and declaring a vacancy therefor: It was motioned and seconded by Hadick and Adam that the position has become vacant: 5-0-0-2

There was discussion regarding Direct staff to fill vacancy: It was moved and seconded by Hadick and Conrad as so stated: 5-0-0-2

**Declaration of Vacancy for Division 5** – District Counsel discussed a report from District Counsel on the continuing vacancy in the office of Director of Division 5 and a recommendation to advertise vacancy for purposes of making appointment, for discussion and possible action. It motioned and seconded by Conrad and Mahoney as stated: 5-0-0-2

There was discussion regarding Direct staff to fill vacancy: It was moved and seconded by Conrad and Adam as so stated: 5-0-0-2

### **DIRECTOR & STAFF REPORTS**

Director Reports - none

**District Counsel Report -** District Counsel reported AB 361; AB 2449; out of area starting 12/22.

**ADJOURNMENT** – It was motioned and seconded by Adam and Conrad to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 PM: 5-0-0-2

Minutes approved on\_\_\_\_\_

Keith Hadick, President\_\_\_\_\_

Submitted by \_\_\_\_\_

Jaamon Frazier