

MOHAVE VALLEY IRRIGATION & DRAINAGE DISTRICT

MEETING MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 07, 2017 AT THE OFFICES OF THE MOHAVE VALLEY IRRIGATION & DRAINAGE DISTRICT

Approved 3-7-2017

CALL TO ORDER. Chairman, Charles B. Sherrill, Jr., called the meeting to order at 4:07 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. Vince Vasquez lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL.

Present: Charles B. Sherrill, Jr., Chairman/Director Division III
Vince Vasquez, Director Division II
Clay Vanderslice, Director at Large
Perry Muscelli, Treasurer/Director at Large
John Kai, Jr., Director Division I
Jamie Kelley, District Counsel
Mark Clark, CCM, Manager
Kerri Hatz, Administrative Assistant

Absent: None

WAIVER MOTION. Motion to waive the reading of full minutes and resolutions presented for approval or adoption.

1. REPORTS.

A. Staff report on water use.

Manager Mark Clark reported that we have the 2016 water numbers available, we used 35,445 acre feet of water, compared to 30,988 acre feet of water last year, that is 4,457 acre feet more than 2015. This has been the highest usage in the last five(5) years, 83% was used for agricultural, 17% for municipal/industrial uses.

B. Bureau of Reclamation Lower Colorado Water Supply Report.

Mark Clark reported that Lake Mead is 40% full, the report shows an elevation of 1,085 but as of yesterday Lake Mead is at 1,086. Lake Powell is at 47% full at an elevation of 3,596 and January was an extremely wet month, most of the upper Colorado River Basin was at 200%-500% of average range. The Virgin River area was 255% of normal, the Salt and Gila was at 195% of normal. Many of the sites in Colorado, Utah, and Wyoming have actually exceeded their normal peak for the season already, the normal peak doesn't usually happen until April. This should be a extremely good year. They are predicting that we should be better than 2011, that was a huge year for us.

2. **AGENDA MODIFICATION.** Possible action to withdraw from, or move, any item on the Agenda, including the removal of an item from the Consent Agenda.
3. **CONSENT AGENDA.** The items listed below will be considered as a group and acted upon by one motion with no separate discussion of said items, unless a Board Member requests an item or items be removed for separate discussion and action. [Perry Muscelli mad a motion to approve, Vince Vasquez seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed.](#)
 - A. Approve the January 10, 2017 Executive Meeting Minutes.
 - B. Approve the January 10, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes.
 - C. Ratify payment of expenses for January 2017
4. **REGULAR AGENDA.**
 - A. **Desert Lakes Estates Tract 4152E; T19N, R22W, Section 36. Extension Request of the Preliminary Water Allocation for 51.67 acre feet of water.** Discussion and possible action to approve the extension request of the Preliminary Water Allocation of 51.67 acre feet of water. If approved, the water allocation is for 24 months and would expire February 10, 2019. [Manager Mark Clark stated that Desert Lakes Estates has requested an extension of their Preliminary Water Allocation of 51.67 acre feet of water, they have been making forward progress with Mohave County for their Final Plat and engineering. The District office has received the \\$250.00 Water Allocation Extension Administration Fee. This extension request is for 24 months and if approved today the new extension would expire February 10, 2019. John Kai, Jr., made a motion to approve, Clay Vanderslice seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed.](#)
 - B. **Lower Colorado Region Water Conservation Field Services Program Grant.** Discussion and possible action to ratify the application for this grant for Fiscal Year 2017. [Mark Clark stated this is an assistance agreement for the District to get funding for preliminary engineering for a pump station on the river. The TDS in this area out of the farmers wells run between 2500 to 3500 ppm, where the water on the river comes in about 700 ppm. If we are able to get this assistance agreement, that will help determine if it is going to work for us to get water directly out of the river. 700 TDS will help the farms crop yield, there won't be a salt build up in the soil, so this would be a great project for us. The application was turned in at the end of January with the Bureau of Reclamation. We should hear something back by the end of March. Perry Muscelli made a motion to approve, John Kai, Jr., seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed.](#)

5. **PUBLIC INPUT.** Charles B. Sherrill, Jr., had everyone introduce themselves from the public to the Board Members then the Board Members to the public.

Public Present: Joseph Burg from Bullhead City
Patty Mead from Mohave Co. Dept. Of Public Health
Becky Bramlett from Mohave Co. Dept. Of Public Health
Ron Vackar
Mark Kelly

Representatives from Mohave Co. Dept. Of Public Health joined us to ask for help with the mosquito issue in the area of the farm lands. They have also tried to enlist the help of the local Indian Tribe for help as well.

6. **ADJOURNMENT.** John Kai, Jr., made a motion to adjourn, Vince Vasquez seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 4:35 PM.