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I. CALL TO ORDER (R.CHANEY / M.COMBS)

II. OTHER BUSINESS / PUBLIC COMMENTS

- A. <u>PUBLIC COMMENTS</u> Any member of the public may address the Board concerning any matter not on the agenda, but within the Board's jurisdiction. Public comment is limited to no more than three minutes per person. For good cause, the Chair of the Board may waive this limitation. Gov. Code §54954.3(a)
- B. <u>ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA</u> Consider additions/corrections to the Agenda.
- C. <u>POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST</u> Any Board member who has a potential conflict-of-interest may now identify the item(s) and recuse themselves from discussing and voting on the matter(s). FPPC §87105
- D. ► <u>AGENCY APPOINTMENTS</u> Appoint representative(s) to the following agencies.
 - 1. <u>Power & Water Resources Pooling Authority</u> Alternate Director

III. MINUTES

Minutes of the following meetings will be presented for consideration of approval:

A. ► REGULAR MEETING: FEBRUARY 14, 2023

IV. TREASURER'S REPORT (Water Code §24273)

- A. <u>FINANCIAL REPORTS</u> Reports reflecting the financial status of the District will be presented.
 - 1. ► Interim Warrants: February 15-March 14, 2023 Review checks and supporting invoices issued since last meeting; presented for approval.
 - 2. ► <u>Accounts Payable</u> Examine unpaid invoices presented for approval.
 - 3. <u>Payroll Certification: Pay Periods Ending February, 2023</u> President, General Manager, & Office Manager to certify listing of payroll checks issued.
 - 4. <u>Income Statements (Budget-to-Actual): February 28, 2023</u> (*Unaudited*)
 - 5. Cash Position Report: February 28, 2023 (Water Code §24273)
 - 6. Accounts Receivable Activity Report: February 28, 2023

V. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

The General Manager will report on operations, maintenance, projects and other District matters.

VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Report on operations, maintenance, projects, equipment and other District matters within the purview of this position.

VII. DIRECTORS' REPORTS (Gov. Code §53232.3)

Directors will report on meetings and/or conferences attended on behalf of the District.



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VIII. ACTION ITEMS

- A. <u>OPEN MEETINGS LOCAL AGENCIES: TELECONFERENCE AB2449 (03/14/2023)</u> Discussion/possible action regarding remote access to public meetings.
- B. <u>ANNUAL SALARY REVIEW</u> (03/14/2023) Appoint two Board members to serve with the General Manager as an ad hoc Salary/Benefit Committee to develop recommendations for the 2023-24 fiscal year
- C. ►WATER POLICY: ON-FARM RECHARGE (12/14/2021) Discussion/possible action regarding proposed policy.
- D. <u>FLOOD & EXCESS WATER DELIVERIES</u> (03/14/2023) Discussion/possible action regarding potential for deliveries of flood and excess water
- E. ► <u>CORPORATE AUTHORIZATION RESOLUTION</u> (03/14/2023) Discussion/possible action updating authorized bank signatories.
- F. FISCAL AUDIT: MARCH1, 2022 FEBRUARY 28, 2023 Discussion/possible action authorizing audit or to solicit bids for services.
- G. ►FISCAL BUDGET: MARCH 1, 2023-FEBRUARY 29, 2024 (01/10/2023) Discussion/possible action. Revisit budget plan.
- H. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT FOR TEMPORARY WATER SERVICE BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT FOR SECTION 215

 WATER (01/16/2023) Discussion/possible action authorizing execution of Temporary Water Service Contract.

The public may comment on the following Closed Session items prior to the Board's adjourning to Closed Session.

CLOSED SESSION

IX. CLOSED SESSION: GOVERNMENT CODE §54956.9 - CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

A. SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OR (3) OF SUBDIVISION (D): 4 CASES

X. <u>CLOSED SESSION: GOVERNMENT CODE §54956.9 - CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION</u>

- A. AS DEFENDANT: 2 CASES
 - NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE COUNCIL, ET AL, V HAALAND, ET AL
 U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of California
 Case No. 1:5-CV-01207LJO-GSA
 - 2. <u>Center for Biological Diversity, Restore the Delta and Planning & Conservation League v United States Bureau of Reclamation et al</u> (06/08/2021)

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- B. As Plaintiff: 4 Cases
 - 1. KINGS RIVER WATER ASSOCIATION ET AL V. JAMES VERBOON ET AL Kings County Superior Court, Case No. 15 C0304
 - 2. James Irrigation District vs. Kings River Water Association et al Fresno County Superior Court Case No. 19CECG00769
 - 3. James Irrigation District v. Westlands Water District Fresno County Superior Court Case No. 20CECG00688
 - 4. <u>James Irrigation District v. McMullin Area Groundwater Sustainability</u>
 <u>Agency</u> Fresno County Superior Court Case No. 23CECG00749
- C. As Intervenor: 1 Case
 - CITY OF FRESNO, ET AL V. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
 United States Court of Federal Claims, Case No. 1:16-CV-01276-MCW

XI. CLOSED SESSION: GOVERNMENT CODE §54956.8 - CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR

A. James & Tranquillity Negotiations

Negotiating Parties: <u>James Irrigation District</u>: General Manager/Designee

<u>Tranquillity Irrigation District</u>: Danny Wade <u>Kings River Lower River Units</u>: Scott Sills

Under Negotiation: Price, terms & conditions of possible real property and/or water

supply transactions

B. Southwest Groundwater Recharge Project (11/13/2012)

Negotiating Parties: James Irrigation District: General Manager/Designee

Fresno Irrigation District: Bill Stretch

Under Negotiation: Price, terms and conditions of possible real property and/or

water supply transactions/Department of Water Resources

Proposition 84 Grant Application

C. WATER BANKING & TRANSFERS (04/19/2018)

Negotiating Parties: James Irrigation District: General Manager/Designee

To Be Determined

Under Negotiation: Price, terms and conditions of possible water supply

transactions.

D. WATER BANKING & TRANSFERS (06/22/2021)

Negotiating Parties: James Irrigation District: General Manager/Designee

McMullin Groundwater Sustainability Agency

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E. WHITE PINE RENEWABLES (04/13/2021)

Negotiating Parties: James Irrigation District: General Manager/Designee

White Pine Renewables: Evan Riley

Under Negotiation: Price, terms and conditions of possible real property

transaction.

F. FRESNO COUNTY APN 030-090-29S (4.66 ACRES), APN 030-090-30S (2.03 ACRES) (06/11/2019)

Negotiating Parties: James Irrigation District: General Manager/Designee

Landowner

Under Negotiation: Price, terms of payment.

OPEN SESSION

XII. REPORT ON ANY ACTION TAKEN DURING CLOSED SESSION (Gov.Code §54957.1)

The presiding officer will report on any actions taken during the above Closed Session items.

XIII. ADJOURN

► <u>ADJOURN</u> to next Regular Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, April 11, 2023, unless otherwise decided by the Board.