

Aliso Water District Special Meeting Minutes Monday, February 11, 2019

Board Members Present :

Director Mike Logoluso
Director Roy Catania

Director Ross Franson
Director Jeremy Seibert

Director Bernard Puget

Visitors Present:

Danielle Duncan

Joe Hopkins

Martin Britz

Ryan Trueblood

1. **Roy Catania** called to order the Special Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Aliso Water District at **1:30 PM** on Monday, February 11, 2019 at 13991 Ave 7 Madera, CA.

2. Voluntary Assessment

- A. There was general discussion on the District's next call for voluntary assessment. After a lengthy discussion there was a motion by Bernard Puget and a second by Ross Franson to approve a \$8.00 per acre voluntary assessment to carry the District through the GSA/GSP process expected to be complete sometime in August.
- B. This amount is a little less than last year's voluntary assessment. Michael Logoluso will be mailing out these voluntary assessments.

M / S: Bernard Puget, Ross Franson to approve a \$8.00 assessment fee for 2019.

Director Roy Catania "Aye"
Director Mike Logoluso..... "Aye"
Director Jeremy Seibert "Aye"
Director Bernard Puget "Aye"
Director Jeremy Seibert "Aye"

The President then publicly announced that the Board voted to approve the \$8.00 assessment fee.

3. Review terms of Aliso's Temporary Permit

- A. Joe Hopkins reviewed the terms and conditions from the SWRCB for the Aliso Water District.
 - 1. Some of the key conditions in this permit are the fish screen and streambed alteration recommendations from CDFW. This permit also limits on-farm recharge to fallow agricultural land not allowing any water to be applied to permanent trees or vines after February 28th.
- B. There was a discussion about the difference between this permit that limits recharge to fallow agricultural land versus a permit for incidental direct recharge for actively growing crops and the big difference is the cost of the permit.
- C. There was also discussion DirectingJoe Hopkins putting together an informational outline on these terms and conditions to be mailed out with the voluntary assessment notice.
- D. This is an annual permit that may be modified when it is renewed.

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4. 2018 Audit

A. There was some general discussion about starting the 2018 Audit now, not waiting until the end of the year.

M / S: Bernard Puget, Jeremy Seibert to approve proceeding with the annual audit.

Director Roy Catania “Aye”
Director Ross Franson “Aye”
Director Jeremy Seibert “Aye”
Director Bernard Puget “Aye”
Director Mike Logoluso..... “Aye”

The President then publicly announced that the Board approved the motion.

5. Next Steps

A. There was general discussion on the following items:

1. Purchase recharge pond to be able to utilize with either Bypass water or Cottonwood Creek water.
2. Modify Cottonwood Creek (Lion’s property) to be able to move bypass water to recharge pond.
3. Will need a lift-pump station to lift water from Cottonwood Creek into recharge pond.
4. Secure encroachment permit from the CVFPB to build a project to take water from CBP. P&P will be providing cost estimates whether to go with slant pumps or boring through the levee.
5. The estimated cost for all these projects was 2.5Mil. A prop 218 election, bank financing, some sort of bond, or even private financing was discussed that needs to be explored.

6. Adjourn

7. Next Meeting Tuesday, April 23, 2019 **1:30 PM**