

July 14, 2022

The Board of Directors of the Saucelito Irrigation District met this day in a special session. In accordance with the declared State of Emergency, including social distancing directives as a result of the threat of the COVID-19 virus, SID staff will be participating in this meeting remotely. There will not be a physical location for this meeting. Members of the public may participate in the meeting in the following ways: By joining the Zoom Meeting ID 869 1905 5252 and password 464156. The office is located at 20712 Avenue 120, Porterville, California.

CALL TO ORDER

President Merritt called the meeting to order at 9:30 am.

ATTENDANCE

DIRECTORS PRESENT:	E. Merritt, Kisling, Demetriff, M. Merritt & Noble
DIRECTORS ABSENT:	None
OTHERS PRESENT:	Sean P. Geivet, Manager Diane M. Ennis, Secretary/Treasurer Aubrey Mauritson - Attorney
GUEST:	Andrew Hart - Booth Ranches Aaron Lewis – EKI Consultant Matt Brady – AgReserves Nick Gatti & Clifton Lollar – Homer

TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS- The Board considers approving Resolution 2022-7-02 for remote teleconference meetings under AB 361.

M/S/U, Noble, M. Merritt - to adopt Resolution 2022-7-02 remote teleconference meetings under AB 361.

AYE:	E. Merritt, Kisling, Demetriff, M. Merritt & Noble
NAY:	None
ABSENT:	None

RESOLUTION 2022-7-02 of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SAUCELITO IRRIGATION DISTRICT

RESOLUTION RE CONTINUED SUSPENSION OF PUBLIC TELECONFERENCING LOCATIONS

WHEREAS, as modified by Assembly Bill 361, *Government Code* § 54953(e)(1) permits local agencies to dispense with the requirements for teleconference locations contained in *Government Code* § 54953(b)(3) under the conditions specified herein;

WHEREAS, the Board has reconsidered the state of emergency issued by the State of California in connection with COVID-19, and has found that the declared state of emergency remains in effect;

WHEREAS, local and state officials continue to recommend and, in some cases, require, social distancing measures;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Board shall, consistent with *Government Code 54953(e)(1)*, continue to operate without physical, public meeting or teleconference locations.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION was passed and adopted by the Saucelito Irrigation District Board of Directors on this 14 day of July 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: E. Merritt, Kisling, Demetriff, M. Merritt & Noble

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

_____/s/ Eric R. Merritt

E. Merritt, President

ATTEST:

_____/s/ Diane M. Ennis
Diane M. Ennis, Secretary

Certificate of Secretary

I do hereby certify that I am the Secretary of Saucelito Irrigation District, a special district organized and existing under the laws of the State of California, and that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Directors thereof at a meeting thereof duly and regularly held on July 14, 2022, at which meeting a quorum of the said Board of Directors was at all times present and acting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in whole or any part thereof, and remains in force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed this Certificate on this 14th day of July 2022, in Porterville, California.

_____/s/ Diane M. Ennis
Diane M. Ennis, Secretary

AGENDA – The Manager reported the agenda is in order and has been posted as required.

MINUTES

M/S/U, Demetriff, Kisling– to approve the minutes from the Regular Board of Directors' meeting held on June 9, 2022.

AYE: E. Merritt, Kisling, Demetriff, M. Merritt & Noble

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

BILLS AND VOUCHERS

M/S/U, Noble, Kisling - to authorize the Treasurer to pay all outstanding bills against the District as presented and to authorize the transfer of funds, as necessary.

AYE: E. Merritt, Kisling, Demetriff, M. Merritt & Noble

NAY: None
ABSENT: None

PUBLIC COMMENT – President E. Merritt asked if anyone from the public wished to comment at this time. Having no one at this time, we will move on to the reports.

MONTHLY REPORTS

FINANCIAL – The Board reviewed the financial status of the District. Included in the review were the Suncrest accounts, Treasurer's, Collector's, Secretary's, and Local Agencies Investment Fund reports, Money Market Account Statement, Income Statement, and Balance Sheets.

M/S/U, Kisling, Demetriff – to accept the Financial Statements and directed that they be placed on file.

AYE: E. Merritt, Kisling, Demetriff, M. Merritt & Noble
NAY: None
ABSENT: None

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS – Nothing to report.

OPERATIONS & WATER – The Manager reported on the current water supply. The next water supply meeting will be on Friday we could get another 5% or more. The manager will update the Board if there are any changes. Discussion ensued.

STATUS OF AUTHORITIES – The Manager continues forwarding CEO updates from Jason Phillips, CEO, FWA. The Manager reported that DCTRA canceled the schedule meeting. ACWA has nothing to report. Discussion ensued.

EASTERN TULE GSA – The Manager reported on the Eastern Tule GSA 218 election the result was that it failed to pass. Discussion ensued.

BANKING POLICY – The Manager discussed the groundwater banking policy with the Board and stated the Policy should be a living document. Discussion ensued.

CLOSED SESSION – The Board adjourned to a closed session at 10:12 am.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION [Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)] the City of Fresno, et al. v. United States of America, Court of Federal Claims, Case No. 16-1276L.

CLOSED SESSION ITEMS- The Board returned from Closed Session at 10:24 am. The Board reported out of closed session:

The Board unanimously approved initiation of an appeal of the trial court's judgment in *City of Fresno et al. v. United States et al.*, Court of Federal Claims Case No. 16-276C.

ADJOURNMENT

President E. Merritt adjourned the meeting at 10:24 am.

Diane M. Ennis, Secretary