# September 8, 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 830 7380 9475 and password 174072. The office is located at 20712 Avenue 120, Porterville, California.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

President Merritt called the meeting to order at 9:34 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

GUEST: Nick Galli – Renewable Resources

Douglas Jackson – Land and Water Patrick O'Connell – EKI Consultant

**TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS-** The Board considered approving Resolution 2022-9-02 for remote teleconference meetings under AB 361.

M/S/U, Demetriff, Noble - to adopt Resolution 2022-9-02 remote teleconference meetings under AB 361.

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

NAY: None ABSENT: None

# RESOLUTION 2022-9-02 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 8 day of September 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 September 8, 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 September 8, 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, M. Merritt, Noble – to approve the minutes from the Regular Board of Directors' meeting held on August 11, 2022.

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

NAY: None ABSENT: None

## **BILLS AND VOUCHERS**

M/S/U, Kisling, Demetriff- 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, the Board moves on to the reports.

#### **MONTHLY REPORTS**

**FINANCIAL** – The Board reviewed the financial status of the District. Included in the review was the Citizens Business Bank accounts check register from the prior month, and Local Agencies Investment Fund reports, Money Market Account Statement, Income Statement, and Balance Sheets. The Treasurer reported that the August Treasurer's, Collector's, Secretary's will be included with next month's agenda.

M/S/U, Demetriff, Kisling – 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** – The Manager reported the District had its annual visit from ACWA - JPIA on July 21, 2022, and the report is included in the Board packets. Discussion ensued.

**OPERATIONS & WATER** – The Manager reported on the current water supply and water schedule prepared by Nick Keller. Also included in the packet are the field staff report and monthly employee safety report. Discussion ensued.

STATUS OF AUTHORITIES – The Manager continues forwarding CEO updates from Jason Phillips, CEO, FWA. FWA continues to work on the new canal and the water supply, and the annual retreat for FWA's is scheduled for November in Paso Robles. ACWA has nothing to report. The Manager continues to forward the AECA newsletter to the Board members. DCTRA business, the Board reviewed the Agreement Amongst Tenants in Common for the Common Use and Management of Property. The Manager reported that the Attorney had reviewed the agreement. Discussion ensued.

M/S/U, Kisling, Demetriff – to accept the Agreement Amongst Tenants In Common For Common Use and Management of Property and to authorize the President to sign the agreement and the Manager to sign the Certificate of Acceptance.

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

NAY: None ABSENT: None

**EASTERN TULE GSA** – The Manager reported on the Eastern Tule GSA. Discussion ensued.

**BANKING POLICY –** The Manager discussed the groundwater banking policy with the Board. Discussion ensued.

**2023 BUDGET** - No Action was taken. Discussion only.

**BOARD OF EQUALIZATION** – No action was taken. Discussion only.

**CLOSED SESSION –** The Board adjourned to a closed session at 11:05 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 11:11 am. There was no reportable action.

ADJOURNMENT	
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President E. Merritt adjourned the meeting at 11:13 am.		
-	Diane M. Ennis, Secretary	_