

## MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PICO WATER DISTRICT

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pico Water District was held in the District's Boardroom located at 4843 South Church Street, Pico Rivera, California, on Wednesday, August 2, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

The District's Director of Operations, Mr. Matthew Tryon proceeded with the roll call of the attending Board members. Present from the beginning of the meeting was, Director David Angelo, Director Victor Caballero, Director David Gonzales, and President Pete Ramirez. Present via zoom was Vice President Raymond Rodriguez and Mr. Jim Ciampa, Legal Counsel for the District.

President Pete Ramirez led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Director David Angelo, gave the invocation.

President Ramirez proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, Public Comments. There were none, there were 2 people in the audience.

President Ramirez proceeded to the adoption of the Agenda. Director David Gonzales made the motion to adopt and Director David Angelo seconded the motion. The General Manager announced that the motion passed by roll-call vote, 5-0.

President Ramirez proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, approval of Consent Calendar. Director Victor Caballero made the motion to approve and Vice President Raymond Rodriguez seconded the motion. Director of Operations announced that the motion passed by roll-call vote,

5-0.

President Ramirez proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, Action Items, there were none.

President Ramirez proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, General Manager's Report. The Director of Operations reported office staff had 12 turn-offs for non-payment, 11 accounts have been turned back on, the remaining home is vacant. The field staff encountered minor meter leaks and have been prepping for replacing 4-inch meter for Durfee Elementary. They are now preparing to install water services for Rosemead storage unit. The District now has the materials needed and Director of Operations is obtaining the encroachment permit with the City. The

Director of Operations gave an update regarding the PFAS project and pictures of progress were presented. RC Foster is working on above ground piping for Well #8. Well #5A is being prepped for underground work, reinforcing wall for pedestal and pot-holing utilities. Well #11's operation plan has been submitted to the State Department and is under review.

President Ramirez proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, Legal Counsel Report. Legal Counsel reported on his Legislative Report, Mr. Jim Ciampa attended a meeting regarding a Public Water Agency Group issue about an Emergency Preparedness executive committee for grant money the group is going to pursue to possibly purchase a No Discharge Flushing Truck, which allows a water company to flush hydrants without discharging the water to the storm drain and basically goes back into the system. That vehicle cost is about one million dollars and the hope is to get grant funding to fund that and then have that truck be available to all the PWAG members that want to participate. No closed session.

President Ramirez proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, Informational Items. The Director of Operations gave report on the Annual Water Quality Report that is completed and Pico Water District customers have been notified by mail that the report is available on the website and they can also request a printed copy in English and Spanish. Printed copies will be delivered to public locations within the district such as the library, senior center, and apartment buildings, where renters do not pay the water bill and may not know it is available. The report addresses the State Water Board requirements and has the water quality testing results. Social media is being used to communicate news and promote the District. A recent Instagram post informs residents that the water quality report is available and how they can view on the website. An upcoming District event is the Pico Water District Employee Picnic on August 5, 2023 funded by the staff. The goal is to spend an afternoon together as a District and introduce staff and families to each other. It would be a boost for morale and help build a stronger foundation with staff and their families.

President Ramirez proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, Future Agenda Items. Director David Gonzales and Director David Angelo wanted to discuss landscaping/ decorations for the wells and possibly discuss those issues at an engineering committee.

President Ramirez proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, Board Member Comments. Director David Gonzales stated that AWWA is having a one-day conference on August 16, 2023 and Mr. Matthew Tryon has stated he would get further information for the Water Education Seminar event. President Pete Ramirez spoke briefly of attending a Chamber of Commerce meeting with Director David Gonzales and Director David Angelo where the District received an award for 35 years of membership.

President Ramirez proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, Closed Session. No closed session was held.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Board meeting adjourned at 6:06 p.m. Next Meeting to be held on August 16, 2023 at 5:30pm.

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Attest:

Joe D Basulto, Secretary

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