

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
LATHROP IRRIGATION DISTRICT**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lathrop Irrigation District convened on Wednesday, July 26, 2023 at 4:01 p.m. at 1235 Academy Dr, Lathrop, California. The meeting was noticed as an optional online meeting for members of the public and staff.

Board of Directors Present:	Juan Vega, Ravi Kotecha, Michael Dell’Osso
Directors Absent:	None
Also Present:	Curtis Bryant, Erik Jones, Terry Truscott, Keri Richards (via online) and Brian Biering, Esq., via online).
Public Present:	None

There being a quorum present, the meeting was declared in order by Director Vega.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF June 28, 2023 Regular Board Meeting: Director Dell’Osso made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 24, 2023 Regular Board meeting and the motion was seconded by Director Kotecha. The motion was approved on a vote of 3-0.

STAFF REPORTS:

- a. Mr. Bryant updated the Board on the transition of the meter reading system from cellular to fiber optic to improve the quality of the communications. There have been some glitches but the project is nearing completion.
- b. Mr. Bryant advised that the bid package for the switchyard and substation upgrade was not ready, he is hoping to have it available for distribution next month.
- c. Mr. Bryant reported that the security measures we have taken for the substation and switchyard have been working, there are few more improvements we would like to make which will add to the cost but the investment is worth it to prevent the damage caused by break-ins.
- d. Mr. Bryant reported that he has been working with engineers and PG&E on the Mainspring generator installation project to ensure the safest install process to prevent any back-feeding on the PG&E side. He also indicated that the goal is to run the generators when solar does not provide adequate power supply. He will bring the package for approval to the Board when all of the research is complete, as he is looking into funding sources and potential ITC credits to offset the cost of the project.
- e. Mr. Bryant reported that the outage of June 30<sup>th</sup> appears to have been caused by a loose bolt in the equipment that was likely a manufacturing defect, however that

equipment is no longer under warranty. All similar equipment is being inspected to prevent reoccurrence.

- f. Mr. Bryant reported that he attended the River Islands "Town Hall" meeting and discussed several matters pertaining to the District. He reported that overall the meeting went well, there was one customer who was upset because of the scheduling of the Board meetings because she is not able to attend, and he explained why the meetings are scheduled for the date/time currently scheduled.

REVIEW OF QUOTE PROVIDED BY BLOMBERG & GRIFFIN ACCOUNTANCY CORPORATION FOR AUDIT SERVICES; APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2023-06 APPROVING LETTER OF AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES BETWEEN LID AND BLOMBERG & GRIFFIN ACCOUNTANCY CORPORATOIN FOR THE FY 2022-23 THROUGH 2024-25 FY: Mr. After review of the quote the Board had questions regarding the fees to be charged and requested Mr. Bryant to confirm that the quote for the services was for the entire cost of the audit for each of the years and only additional tasks would be charged at the hourly rate. Director Dell'Osso made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2023-06, Director Kotecha made a second to the motion and the motion was approved on a 3-0 vote.

DISTRICT ENGINEER'S REPORT: Mr. Jones stated that the new engineering firm has been working to provide documentation on our system and the equipment for future reference. He stated we have learned a lot about the technology that is available to us and the system is very capable of providing more information than we have previously been receiving. Mr. Bryant stated he offered a member of the team a position with the District as the Engineer.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Ms. Truscott presented the June 2023 warrants for approval, as well as a report on the District's cash position. Director Dell'Osso made a motion to approve the warrants, Director Kotecha made a second to the Motion. The motion was approved by a 3-0 vote. The Board reviewed the Cash Balance and Budget to Actual, and Balance Sheets presented as well.

OTHER BUSINESS: Next Meeting scheduled for August 23, 2023.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 4:51 pm on a motion made by Director Dell'Osso and a second Director Kotecha, the motion with a passed 3-0 vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

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KERI RICHARDS,  
Secretary