

**POTTER VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
MINUTES
BOARD MEETING**

May 21st, 2025

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Potter Valley Irrigation District was called to order by President Janet Pauli @ 7:01 pm at the Potter Valley Irrigation District Office

Directors Present: Dir. Janet Pauli, Dir. Mac Magruder , Dir. Dan Thornton and Dir. Steven Giuntini

Staff Present: Superintendent Don Brown, Webmaster Elaine Lindelef and Assessor/Collector Patti Boatwright, Secretary/Treasurer Michelle Ricetti, Attorney Cliff Paulin

Absent: Dir. Guinness McFadden

Others Present: Kyle Farmer, Jessie Davis

Public Comment: Board sends condolences to family of Lura Smith

Minutes:

- **Dir. Magruder made a motion to approve the April Regular Meeting Minutes as amended and Dir. Thornton seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

Check Register: The April check register totaling \$81,591.06 and the unpaid bills totaling \$118,970.93 were reviewed;

- **Dir. Magruder made a motion that the unpaid bills be approved for payment, Dir. Thornton seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

Financial Report: Report was reviewed and discussed

Assessor/Collector's Report: Assessor/Collector Boatwright prepared a report with the following information.

Total Overdue A/R:	\$ 15,524.96
Water.....	\$ 6,756.71
Standby.....	\$ 3,141.05
Penalty.....	\$ 1,410.53

Attorney's Report: Items will be discussed under new business 6

Superintendent's Report: Has pipe to repair crossing at Gate 78. He is still researching cost of sleeve repair for Hawn/Main issue at gate 50. Superintendent will be working on getting quote to compare sleeve option to Wipf quote. Discussed potential issue near Lat 20-3.2; currently investigating condition of 400feet of 12" pipe. Canal treatment letter will be sent out this week. Ditch tender hit deer in work truck, will be getting estimate for repair.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Website Report: Requested new/updated news to post to website; will be adding All boards Agenda to PVID Website

2. Mendocino County Inland Water & Power Commission Report: Dir. Pauli reported:

- July 21st, 2025 will be the next ERPA meeting in Sonoma County
- Working on a steering committee with PG & E; New Eel Russian Facility (NERF) will most likely be included in surrender application.
- MOU for water diversion still being worked on.

3. Status report on PVID/PG&E Contract Negotiations: Still waiting on Ag commodities report from county.

4. Future Funding: Board discussed ongoing need for funding. McMillan will begin next step in diversion research now that Federal grant is unfrozen. Total cost for NERF estimated at \$50 million

5. PVID Water rates: Attorney Paulin discussed legality of raising rates and prop 218 compliance. Ag water is exempt from 218 and can be raised by PVID. Any future increase in "Standby" would need to be 219 compliant. Discussed possible rate amounts for 2025. PVID will be moving forward with rate increase at June meeting. Currently \$22.50 AF; discussed moving to \$35.00 AF. Talked about 2-3 year rate study.

6. 2025 Budget Approval: Changes made to Peterson excavator principal and interest liabilities.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Well Monitoring network: PVID will be taking on the task of the physical reading and downloading of data to send info to Sonoma Water. Don will work with Stephan Maples to finalize more details.


2. Jessie Davis gave a future domestic water and infrastructure presentation. Discussed previous findings from Zion 1984 Municipal Review Study. Local challenges are similar to those of Anderson Valley CSD. Board is encouraged to consider further studies re potable water or sewer service.

3. All Boards Meeting will be May 29, 2025 at 5:30 at Ukiah Conference Center. PVID has posted agenda.

4. LAFCO Board representative voting was discussed. The Board took no action.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:27 p.m.


Janet Pauli, President


Michelle Ricetti, Secretary/ Treasurer