

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
SEMITROPIC, BUTTONWILLOW, POND-POSO AND
WILDLIFE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS OF
SEMITROPIC WATER STORAGE DISTRICT

Convened at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday
January 22, 2019

The Special Meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order by President Wegis on Tuesday, January 22, 2019, at 1:00 p.m. at the offices of the District, 1101 Central Avenue, Wasco, CA 93280.

Directors Present: Jeff Fabbri, Tim Thomson, Tom Toretta,
Todd Tracy, Dan Waterhouse and Fredrick A. Wegis;

Directors Absent: Phil Portwood;

Others Present: Deputy General Manager, Jason Gianquinto;
District Controller, Bobby Salinas;
District Engineer, Isela Medina;
District Contract Administrator, Becky Ortiz;
District Executive Secretary, Marsha Payne;
District's Legal Counsel, Steve Torigiani; and
District Landowner John Wedel.

President Wegis called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m.

Consider Exchange/Banking Agreement with Shafter-Wasco Irrigation District

General Manager, Jason Gianquinto, reported that Shafter-Wasco Irrigation District (SWID) has 3,000 acre-feet of CVP recirculation water in San Luis Reservoir that must be delivered by February 28, 2019. If the SWID water is not delivered by the end of February, then SWID will lose the water. Therefore, SWID has asked Semitropic to enter into an agreement to assist in the delivery of this water to storage prior to the end of February on a 50-50 split of water and delivery costs. Discussion followed.

On motion by Director Fabbri, seconded by Director Tracy, the Board authorized execution of a Water Transfer/Exchange Agreement between Semitropic Water Storage District and Shafter-Wasco Irrigation District; and determined entry into the agreement was exempt from CEQA review under CEQA and authorized staff and legal counsel to file a CEQA Notice of Exemption with appropriate agencies.

Closed Session

At 1:22 p.m. District's Legal Counsel, Steve Torigiani, stated that a closed session was needed pursuant to the following:

- a. Conference with Real Property Negotiators (Govt. Code section 54956.8)
District's Designated Representative: General Manager
 - 1) Property: State Water Project Supplies
 - a. Negotiation With: California Department of Water Resources, Kern County Water Agency and its Member Units, and State Water Contractors
 - b. Under Negotiation: Price and Terms

President Wegis stated that several issues were discussed; however, no action was taken.

Adjournment

At 3:20 p.m. President Wegis adjourned the meeting. The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 9, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

/S/ Todd Tracy, Secretary

APPROVED:

/S/ Fredrick A. Wegis, President