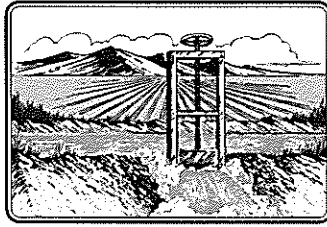


Reclamation District No. 1004



SPECIAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES BOARD MEETING
April 6th, 2022
10:00 a. m.
MINUTES

Board of Trustees present Ed Hulbert, Larry Borrelli, Hans Herkert, Leanne Mord, Gary Bailey, District Manager Terry Bressler, Secretary to the Board of Trustees Barbara Sachs, Assistant Office Deryl, Derek Sohnrey, Bill Stone, Todd Southam, Nicole Garafalo, Cindy Caswell, Clark Becker, Jack and Audra Baber and Jason Bowen.

Via telephone conference: Walt Sikes

Meeting was called to order at 10:10 a.m.

Approval of Agenda

(M/S/C Borrelli/Mord) approve agenda of April 6th, 2022

Vote: Unanimous

Chairman Hulbert said the Board is very sensitive to the water allocations this year. He said he and Trustee Herkert have attended numerous Sacramento River Settlement Contractors meetings regarding water allocations this year. He said the Bureau indicated 25% allocation at first then 15% to 18% but to date no allocation has been released. He said Terry came up with 1.0 acre feet allocation. Trustee Herkert said the District will only be able to take a small amount of water off Butte Creek this year. Terry said with our pre 1914 water rights, he feels we can take water off of

Butte Creek until September 1st. Trustee Bailey said taking 5,000 acre feet of water off Butte Creek is going to be a reach. He said he feels it should be more like 3,000 to 3,500 acre feet. He said Fish and Wildlife will be paying more attention this year and 3.5 c.f.s. off Butte Creek will go to White Mallard. Chairman Hulbert said in normal years we use 12% ditch loss. Trustee Herkert said he feels the 20% ditch loss is under estimated. Trustee Bailey said ditch loss should be 35% to 40%.

Terry said if the District overdrafts water off the river, the Bureau of Reclamation will turn you into Department of Water Resources for overdrafting water and a fee of \$5,000 per acre foot of water will be assessed and a fine of \$10,000 will be issued. Chairman Hulbert said he wanted “there’s no guarantee of water in 2022 and water is unreliable” placed on the water application.

Terry said if the District transfers water, it’ll be project water and Bureau fees will apply. Water used in the District will be base water.

M/S/C (Borrelli, Herkert) approve .8 acre feet water allocation.

Vote: Unanimous

Terry said he wanted a policy set that if water users want water, they are required to have their application and required paperwork in the office by April 20th so he will know how much water is needed.

Chairman Hulbert said the budget is at a loss of \$969,000. He said there’s a \$65 million fund with the Bureau of Reclamation and a portion could be awarded to the water district. He said our potential pro-rata share is \$1.7 to \$2.5 million that would back fill the budget.

Chairman Hulbert said there are no out of basin water transfers this year. He said the District does have the opportunity to transfer in basin. Tehama Colusa Canal is offering \$375.00 less 25% to the District with \$281 to the grower net. Terry said he would recommend transferring a maximum of 3,000 acre feet of water this year on an in basin transfer. The participants will be on a first come, first serve basis. Trustee Borrelli said he was concerned about transferring District water as the State wants to take our water. Chairman Hulbert replied, due to this historic drought event, he doesn’t feel it will affect our water rights.

M/S/C (Herkert, Bailey) approve transferring 3,000 acre feet of water to the Tehama Colusa Canal at \$375.00, Tehama Colusa Canal will pay all water toll and standby fees with 25% of the proceeds retained by the District.

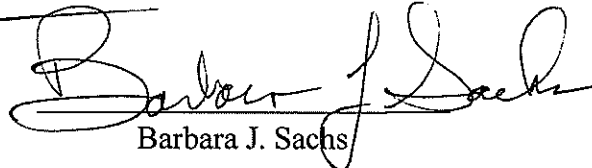
Vote: Unanimous

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 12:12 p.m.



Ed Hulbert

Chairman of the Board



Barbara J. Sachs

Secretary to the Board of Trustees