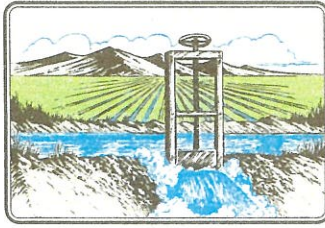


Reclamation District No. 1004



**RECLAMATION DISTRICT NO. 1004
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING MINUTES
June 14, 2023
Regular Board Meeting
10:00 a.m.**

**Dial-in number: 916-233-0790
Participant Pin: 596409**

Board of Trustees present Chairman Hulbert, Vice-Chairman Borrelli, Trustee Herkert, Trustee Mord and Trustee Bailey. RD 1004 staff members present District Manager Terry Bressler, Assistant District Manager Vince Laufer, and Secretary to the Board of Trustees Barbie Buchanan. Public attendees present Rich Poletti, Walt Sikes, Tom Harry, Jeff Barnes and two Wild Goose Hunt Club Associates.

1. Call the Meeting to Order

Meeting called to order at 10:07 a.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda for June 14, 2023: Trustee Herkert
Second: Trustee Bailey
Vote: Unanimous

3. Approval of Minutes

A. May 10, 2023 Regular Board Meeting

Motion to approve May 10, 2023, minutes as presented: Trustee Bailey
Trustee Herkert
Vote: Unanimous

4. Public to address the Board

No requests to address the Board.

5. Presentation and Possible Action Floodplains Reimagined Regarding New Flood Plan

Trustee Herkert introduced Floodplains Reimagined presenters, including Julie Leimbach and Holly Dawley (Kearns & West), Chris Campbell (CBEC) and Lewis Bair (RD 108 General Manager) who presented information and answered Trustee and public questions pertaining to proposed increased flood flows during agricultural off-season within District boundaries. <https://floodplainsreimagined.org/>

6. Financial Report-Discussion and Possible Action

Office Manager Barbie Buchanan presented Treasurer’s Report.

A. Cash Report/Account Balances

Motion to move \$1,000,000.00 from County Fund One and \$1,000,000.00 from LAIF to Edward Jones Investment Fund: Trustee Borrelli
Second: Trustee Bailey
Vote: Unanimous

B. Interim Disbursements

Discussion only, no action taken.

C. Accounts Payable

Motion to approve accounts payable as presented: Trustee Borrelli
Second: Trustee Mord
Vote: Unanimous

D. Accounts Receivable

Received refund from Bureau of Reclamation for 2022 Water Sales in the amount of \$243,149.68. Discussion only, no action taken.

E. Profit/Loss Statement

Discussion only, no action taken.

F. Approval of Transfers

Office Manager Barbie Buchanan requested three transfers:

- Transfer \$10,000.00 from Tri-Counties Bank to Umpqua Bank for payroll taxes
- Reoccurring \$10,000.00 from County Fund One (498) to County Fund Three (500)
- Transfer \$27,620.50 from County Fund One (498) to County Fund Three (500) to reimburse for Big Valley Diver invoice dated May 2, 2023

Motion to approve all three transfers as requested: Trustee Borrelli
Second: Trustee Bailey
Vote: Unanimous

7. New Business:

A. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Long Reach Excavator Purchase or Lease

Discussion regarding two quotes received by District Manager Terry Bressler for purchase of long reach excavator and potential for custom work requests with excavator. Proposed purchase using funds received from USBR for losses incurred from 2022 (drought funding).

Motion to purchase CAT long reach excavator with the use of USBR drought funding for the beneficial use of all lands of the entire District. Benefit is to be determined by the Board of Trustees.

Motion: Trustee Bailey

Second: Trustee Herkert

Vote: Unanimous

B. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Sacramento River Settlement Contractors – Funding

Chairman Hulbert initiated conversation regarding the need for additional SRSC staffing over the next two to three years as business and staffing needs grow for continued water rights work. Discussion to carve out \$250,000.00 from USBR drought funding to create an allocation to cover SRSC dues and use fees. This allocation will show beneficial use to entire District and mitigate potential water toll increases in the near future.

Motion to allocate \$250,000.00 from USBR drought funding and create a Water Rights Fund: Trustee Herkert

Second: Trustee Borrelli

Vote: Unanimous

Motion to set up reoccurring transfer of \$2500.00 per month to the Water Rights Fund which will be approved at monthly Board Meetings: Trustee Herkert

Second: Trustee Borrelli

Vote: Unanimous

C. Discussion and Possible Action regarding Meter Reader Vehicle Assignment

Discussion regarding District vehicle assignments and use. Discussion to sell 2020 Ford through govdeals.com and purchase new truck. Board of Trustees requested three quotes for new truck for July's Board Meeting. Agenda item will be continued on July 2023 agenda.

8. Chairman's Report

A. Update on Sacramento River Settlement Contractor

Chairman Hulbert reported that reservoirs are full and holding, and flows remain high.

Chairman Hulbert shared a draft Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) from multiple Federal Agencies with the SRSC to let the Board of Trustees know where SRSC is at. The purpose of the MOA is the long-term operation of the Central Valley Project and State Water Project and the recovery of the winter-run Chinook salmon. Chairman Hulbert stated that he is currently working on this project and is consistently asking about water rights to ensure the topic is thought about when drafting the MOA.

9. Manager's Report

District Manager Terry Bressler shared concerns regarding the inaccuracy of meters due to growers using low flow, and suggested they use the minimum flow. District employees will be treating the main canal for algae on Wednesday, June 14, 2023.

10. Assistant Manager's Report

Assistant District Manger Vince Laufer shared that there is currently 10,050 acres of rice planted and 985 acres that did not get planted. As of June 10, 2023, the District has had less than a 2% loss factor when comparing total diversions into the District to total water delivered to the field. Assistant District Manager shared that he is currently working hard to sustain goals of gaining SB88 compliance by researching the installation of hourly diversion data at the Princeton Pumping Plant and recommended the District start by looking into the radios solar issue.

There was further discussion regarding the District purchasing a new water accounting system and all District staff and Board of Trustees are in favor of this consideration. District Manager Terry Bressler and Assistant District Manager Vince Laufer will work on obtaining additional information from David's Engineering on their water measurement and accounting software.

Additional discussion regarding progress and strategy of ACWA JPIA correction plan.

11. Old Business:

A. Discussion and Possible Action regarding-GSA/SGMA

Discussion only, no action taken.

B. Discussion and Possible Action regarding-Butte Creek

Discussion only, no action taken.

C. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding-Ditch agreement with Mallard Ranch

Agenda item tabled until July 2023.

D. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding-solar program and proposal

Discussion only, no action taken.

E. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding-Hydro/Solar program & proposal-Emrgy

Discussion only, no action taken

F. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding-White Mallard Dam Automated Dam Level

Agenda item tabled until July 2023.

G. Discussion of Meeting Recordings and Retention Policy

Agenda item tabled until July 2023.

12. CLOSED SESSION AND TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED:

No closed session taken.

Meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

Submitted by Barbie Buchanan.



Ed Hulbert
Chairman of the Board



Barbie Buchanan
Secretary to the Board of Trustees