Reclamation District No. 1004



BOARD OF TRUSTEES BOARD MEETING January 13th, 2021 1:30 p. m. MINUTES

Board of Trustees present Ed Hulbert, Larry Borrelli, Leanne Mord and Travis Laviolette. Others present: District Manager Terry Bressler, Secretary to the Board of Trustees Barbara Sachs and Lindsey Garrison Office Assistant.

Via Zoom attendance, Trustee Hans Herkert and Deryl Phy

Chairman Hulbert introduced Lindsey Garrison, Office Assistant

Agenda:

M/S/C (Borrelli, Laviolette) approve January 13th agenda.

Vote: Unanimous

Minutes:

Trustee Borrelli said he wanted the minutes to reflect the 2020 water sale net profit of approximately \$358,000 of which he suggested \$100,000 be used to reduce the administration fee for all landowners in the District and the balance be used to enhance the monitoring well in Glenn County that will be used in future water sales. The reserve amount is approximately \$2 million.

M/S/C (Mord, Laviolette) approve December 9th Board meeting minutes as amended.

Vote: Unanimous

Financials:

Treasurer's Report:

Barbara Sachs presented the Treasurer's Report.

M/S/C (Laviolette, Borrelli) approve Treasurer's Report as submitted.

Vote: Unanimous

Barbara presented the following financial reports.

Interim transactions:

M/S/C (Laviolette, Mord) approve interim transaction in the amount of \$44,981.68

Vote: Unanimous

Accounts Payable:

Barbara presented the accounts payable in the amount of \$157,193.30

M/S/C (Mord, Laviolette) approve accounts payable in the amount of \$157,193.30

Vote: Unanimous

Cash report and designation of financial accounts

M/S/C (Borrelli, Laviolette) approve cash report and designation of financial accounts.

Vote: Unanimous

Barbara presented the balance sheet, profit and loss and profit and loss to budget.

M/S/C (Borrelli, Laviolette) approve balance sheet, profit and loss and profit and loss to budget.

Vote: Unanimous

Barbara presented the accounts receiveable

Chairman Hulbert acknowledged Robert Johnson years of service to RD1004 as our accountant. Bob passed away in January.

Barbara requested a transfer of \$10,000 from Fund One to Fund Three.

M/S/C (Mord, Laviolette) approve transfer of \$10,000 from Fund One to Fund Three

Vote: Unanimous

Employee Sick and Vacation Leave:

Terry said Steve will have hours to carry over due to Matt working on the Sacramento River Project at Redding and Barbara said due to being short an office assistant she too will also have hours to carry over. The Board agreed to the carryover.

New Business:

1. 2021 Potential water sale:

Chairman Hulbert said Frances Mizuno of San Luis Delta Mendota Water Authority would be sending a letter of intent that is not exclusive to them for his signature. He said Dustin Cooper of Minasian Law Firm had approved the letter of intent and suggested the Board approve it.

M/S/C (Herkert, Borrelli) approve final letter of intent to participate in the 2021 water sale not exclusive to San Luis Delta Mendota Water Authority and Chairman Hulbert to sign it on behalf of the District.

Chairman's Report:

Chairman Hulbert said Sacramento River Settlement Contractors is holding to their last years budget.

Chairman Hulbert requested Barbara to check and see if RD1004 as a Special District can borrow money. To clarify, Barbara contacted the Districts accountant, Bob Johnson and he said yes the District can borrow money. Chairman Hulbert said our farm land would be our security.

Manager's Report:

erry reported 92,000 acre feet of water was delivered this past year. The shut off for winter water will be Friday, January 29th.

He said there were a few issues from cleaning the levees this year. People are driving on the side of the levee road tearing up the levees. He suggested adding to the Rules and Regulations manual, "if you are caught driving on the sides of RD1004 levee road, you will be fined \$750 for the first time and they will not receive water until the fine is paid. The Board suggested Terry put in writing the change and submit it to the Board at their next Board meeting for consideration.

Terry said last year Don Traynham talked to him about the pipe installed under the Gridley Highway, East of Butler Road, that was installed approximately 15 years ago by RD1004 and the County of Colusa. He said it was put in too high and it now needs replaced. This project hasn't been resolved with the County. He will continue to work on this project and report back to the Board.

Terry said it came up in past meetings the desire to drill a full well at Princeton. Terry said he'd received two quotes for a well to include test pumping, 20" casing and at a depth of 780 feet..

M/S/C (Laviolette, Herkert) approve Terry to accept the lowest bid not to exceed \$185,000 as long as they use the same material and requested he obtain a third quote before deciding.

Vote:

Unanimous

Terry said the Scada system at the Princeton Pumping facility needs replaced at a cost of \$15,000 from Innovative Systems. Terry requested Rubicon provide a quote also.

M/S/C (Herkert, Laviolette) approve new scada system at the Princeton Pumping facility at a cost not to exceed \$15,000

Vote: Unanimous

Terry said the Bureau of Reclamation won't be using RD1004 to wheel water through the District to the refuges anytime soon. If at all, it will be 2023.

Terry said the Avis Canal is in need of repairs this year. There are two pipes leaking and the wall is ready to fall in the ditch. Chairman Hulbert said we should have BJ Wright draw up plans for the repairs and submit it to the Board. Terry said a PG&E pole will also have to be moved. Terry will have BJ look at the job and report back to the Board.

erry said he estimates the 2021 water year allocation at 3.0 acre feet of water.

Old Business:

a. Butte Subbasin:

Terry said he hasn't heard from anyone regarding moving the three land parcels into the Butte Subbasin from Colusa County Subbasin.

b. Litigations:

- 1. Dustin Cooper of Minasian Law Firm says there's not much going on with the NRDC litigation.
- 2. 2019 BiOp litigation. Chairman Hulbert said they're working on an administrative record.
- 3. CNRA v Ross litigation. Chairman Hulbert said Dustin feels there'll be a decision at the end of the year. He also said Sacramento River Settlement Contractors were handling this litigation so Chairman Hulbert doesn't see a big cost this year.

c. Drumheller water rights:

Jack Baber is working on this but Glenn County Clerks office is still closed and he needs more information.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 4:05 p. m.

Chairman of the Board

Secretary to the Board of Trustees