Reclamation District No. 1004



BOARD OF TRUSTEES ZOOM BOARD MEETING April 8th, 2020 1:30 p. m. MINUTES

Board of Trustees present via zoom: Larry Borrelli, Leanne Mord, Hans Herkert, Travis LaViolette and Ed Hulbert. Others present: District Manager Terry Bressler, Secretary to the Board of Trustees Barbara Sachs, Deryl and Suzanne Phy, Mike Wilder, Dustin Cooper, Melissa Barale, Hayden Harter, Jack and Audra Baber and Jeff Barnes.

Agenda:

M/S/C (Borrelli, Herkert) approve April 8th agenda.

Vote: Unanimous

Public Notice:

Chairman Hulbert announced the opening of a Public Meeting to appoint someone to the Board of Trustees due to the passing of Trustee Roger W. Borrell. Barbara Sachs said a letter to landowners was mailed and 3 postings were posted in the District as required. She said the Trustee position was for two years and Travis LaViolette, Mike Wilder and Jeff Barnes had filed paperwork for consideration.

There was a lot of discussion regarding the many qualities of the three candidates. It was discovered during the meeting Mike Wilders land was not in the District and therefore could not be considered at this time. Trustee Herkert said Travis ran for the Board of Trustees last November and received many votes. He farms in the District and has attended Board meetings for quite some time. Trustee Mord said she agreed with Trustee Herkert as Travis has been attending Board meetings and keeping up on District business and ran for the Board in the last election receiving many votes. She said White Mallard owns land in the District and Jeff Barnes is a partial owner and a good candidate. Larry Borrelli said the White Mallard owns approximately 1,000 acres in the District

and thought it would be good to have someone from the White Mallard on the Board.

Chairman Hulbert called for a motion.

M/S/C (Herkert, Mord) approved appointing Travis LaViolette to the Board of Trustees.

Call to vote:

Chairman Hulbert Yes
Trustee Borrelli Yes
Trustee Herkert Yes
Trustee Mord Yes

Terry Bressler gave Travis the verbal Oath of Office due to the zoom meeting and when the Board can convene in a person to person Board meeting, he will again administer the Oath of Office and have Travis sign the Oath to provide to the Colusa County Clerk Recorder. Barbara Sachs said she would notify the Clerk.

1:45 p.m. Mike Wilder and Jeff Barnes left the meeting.

Minutes:

M/S/C (Borrelli, Herkert) approve March 11th Board meeting minutes.

'ote: Unanimous

Financials:

Treasurer's Report:

Barbara Sachs presented the Treasurer's Report.

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

Vote: Unanimous

Barbara Sachs presented the following financial reports.

Interim transactions:

M/S/C (Mord, Herkert) approve interim transactions in the amount of \$26,075.45

Vote: Unanimous

Accounts Payable:

Barbara presented the accounts payable in the amount of \$257,644.85

M/S/C (Herkert, Mord) approve accounts payable in the amount of \$257,644.85

Vote: Unanimous

Barbara requested a transfer from LAIF to Umpqua Bank in the amount of \$200,000

M/S/C (Herkert, Borrelli) approved transfer from LAIF to Umpqua Bank in the amount of \$200,000.

Vote: Unanimous

Barbara presented the Accounts Receivable, Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss

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

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

The Board discussed the Sacramento Valley Regional Water Management Plan invoice submitted by Glenn Colusa Irrigation District.

M/S/C (Mord, Herkert) approve payment in the amount of \$19, 444.00

Vote: Unanimous

Barbara presented the Cash Report and Designation of Financial Accounts

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

Employee Sick and Vacation Leave:

No Comment

Office Business:

1. Barbara requested a Trustee be appointed to the employee committee.

M/S/C (Borrelli, Herkert) approved appointing Trustee Mord to the employee committee.

Vote: Unanimous

2. Barbara requested a Trustee be appointed to ACWA JPIA as Reclamation District 1004 voting nember.

M/S/C (Hulbert, Herkert) approved appointing Trustee Borrelli to ACWA JPIA as Reclamation District 1004 voting member.

Vote: Unanimous

3. Chairman Hulbert requested a Trustee be named as Vice Chairman of the Board.

M/S/C (Laviolette/Mord) approved appointing Larry Borrelli as Vice Chairman of the Board.

Vote: Unanimous

4. Barbara requested a Trustee be named to the ACWA Board of Directors.

M/S/C (Mord, Laviolette) approved appointing Trustee Herkert as a Board of Directors to ACWA.

Vote: Unanimous

5. Barbara submitted a Commitment to Excellance certificate from ACWA JPIA which requires signatures from the Board of Trustees. In order to apply for a \$10,000 grant, this signed certificate is required.

M/S/C (Borrelli, Herkert) approve Board of Trustees to sign the Commitment to Excellance.

Vote: Unanimous

6. Chairman Hulbert said Robert Johnson Accountancy Corporation has requested an increase to their quarterly audit fee totaling \$750.00. He said they hadn't increased their fee for three years.

M/S/C (Herkert, Borrelli) approve \$750 quarterly audit fee for Robert Johnson Accountancy Corporation.

Vote: Unanimous

- 7. Terry Bressler said there's no update to the riparian water rights on Drumheller Slough.
- 8. Terry Bressler said he would look at the drought water allocation for future allocations.
- 9. Terry said the Butte Lodge Outing Club intake pipe is in need of repairs. He said they're not going to do repairs this year. He said when they do the future repairs the cost will be their responsibility. Terry said he told Wally Emery if the system fails due to non-repairs, RD1004 will not deliver water to them.

Chairman's Report:

- a. Chairman Hulbert said the Voluntary Agreement will not be completed in 2020. He said the State keeps redefining the terms of the agreement.
- b. Chairman Hulbert instructed Barbara to mail landowners the 2019 financial reports.

He said the internal audit showed the staff has everything in good order and received a clean report. He said the credit card policy should be reviewed. Barbara Sachs said she was looking into other credit card policies to submit to the Board for consideration.

Manager's Report:

Terry reported the project at the Behring Ranch and the drain at the California Levee were complete.

He ordered a new truck from Gridley Ford because Hoblit Motors was \$1,124 higher.

He said Lely's is installing a larger pump on the Brooks Walker.

He said the divers were onsite to remove the covers off the pumps at the Princeton Pumping acility.

He said he would like to purchase a long reach and will put together prices to submit to the Board for consideration. He said he would like to purchase it because there's three years of work to do and then the District can resell it.

Terry said the Croftsets with the Bureau of Reclamation were at a standstill due to the Corona Virus.

Terry said a letter was sent to the Deputy Director of the Department of Water Resources regarding the 3 parcels of land that want to annex into the District but he hasn't heard anything back.

Other Business:

- a. Dustin Cooper, Attorney At Law attended the meeting and provided an update on NRDC vs Bernhardt Lawsuit. Barbara was asked to agenize this subject for the May meeting.
- b. Chairman Hulbert said the Board agreed to participate in a 5,000 acre-feet water transfer to San Luis Delta Mendota Water Authority. However, if there's not a full water allocation, RD1004 will not participate. Terry Bressler said the wells and meters have been recertified.

Barbara Sachs said Resolution 2020-01 requires approval from the Board to transfer water.

M/S/C (Herkert, Mord) approve 5,000 acre feet of transfer water to San Luis Delta Mendota Water Authority.

Vote: Unanimous

M/S/C (Herkert, Mord) approve Resolution 2020-01 approving transfer of 5,000 acre-feet of water to SLDMWA.

Vote: Unanimous.

c. 5 Points

Terry said Chris Tocatlian at 5 points is worried about the White Mallard Outfall Weir at 5 Points. Terry said he looked at the problem Chris was referring to. He said cement around the edge of dam next year would make a difference and possibly an addition of a new box on the side. If Chris doesn't want to do the repairs, then they'll have to submit plans for Board consideration.

3:27 p. m. Closed session was announced.

Terry said the District doesn't quality for Cares as we are a government special district.

He said he was requesting 10% hazard pay for all hours worked by the employees as they'll be working through the Corona Virus pandemic. The hazard pay will end when the shelter in place is lifted.

M/S/C (LaViolette, Borrelli) approve 10% hazard pay for all hours worked by employees until the shelter in place is lifted.

Vote: Unanimous.

3:59 p.m. Open Session

Report out. Chairman Hulbert said the Board approved 10% hazard pay for all hours worked by employees until the shelter in place is lifted.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 4:07 p.m.

Ed Hulbert

Chairman of the Board

Barbara J. Sachs

Secretary to the Board of Trustees