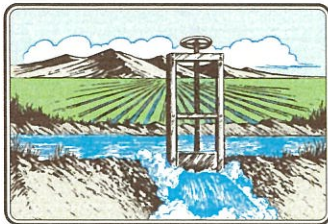


Reclamation District No. 1004



BOARD OF TRUSTEES BOARD MEETING
February 10th, 2021
1:30 p. m.
MINUTES

Board of Trustees present Ed Hulbert and Travis Laviolette. Others present: District Manager Terry Bressler, Secretary to the Board of Trustees Barbara Sachs. Attending via zoom was Larry Borrelli, Leanne Mord, Hans Herkert, Hayden Harter, Cindy Caswell and Deryl Phy.

Agenda:

M/S/C (Borrelli, Herkert) approve February 10th agenda.

Vote: Unanimous

Minutes:

Trustee Borrelli said he wanted the minutes to reflect the reserve balance in the amount of \$2 million. Also a copy of the letter of intent with San Luis Delta Mendota Water Authority should be attached to the January minutes.

M/S/C (Borrelli, Laviolette) approve January 13th Board meeting minutes as amended.

Vote: Unanimous

Public Comment:

None

Financials:

Treasurer's Report:

Barbara Sachs presented the Treasurer's Report along with the Cash report and designation of financial accounts.

M/S/C (Herkert, Laviolette) approve Treasurer's Report, cash report and designation of financial accounts as submitted.

Vote: Unanimous

Barbara presented the following financial reports.

Interim transactions:

M/S/C (Laviolette, Mord) approve interim transaction in the amount of \$15,986.54

Vote: Unanimous

Accounts Payable:

Barbara presented the accounts payable in the amount of \$52,402.43

M/S/C (Herkert, Laviolette) approve accounts payable in the amount of \$52,402.43

Vote: Unanimous

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

Barbara presented the accounts receivable.

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

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

Vote: Unanimous

Employee Sick and Vacation Leave:

No Comment

New Business:

1. 2021 Budget

Barbara Sachs presented a draft of the 2021 budget. After extensive discussion, the Board requested two budgets be presented at the March Board meeting. Budget A will be for the same costs as 2020 and Budget B will be for an actual budget using current figures.

2. White Mallard

Terry reported he's been working on the White Mallard easements. He said he reviewed Jack Baber's binder on the White Mallard and RD1004 easement is good. He made a copy of the 52 page binder for RD1004 and a copy to the grounds committee at the White Mallard. He said the maintenance and pipes under the levee are in need of repairs/replacements. He said the property is White Mallards and the District has easements for this work and maintenance of the channel.

Chairman's Report:

Chairman Hulbert said it would be a dry start February 1st according to the snow survey. David Guy reported it will be a dry year and a task force has been initialized by the Bureau of Reclamation.

Chairman Hulbert said he talked with Jeff Sutton of the Tehama Colusa Canal and they asked if RD1004 would be interested in a project water transfer with multiple water users. He said the District is in no position at this time for project water transfers for a multi-year deal. If the situation changes, we could let them know. He said he will monitor the situation and keep reporting back to the Board.

Manager's Report:

Terry said 93,400 acre-feet of water was sold which is above normal.

Terry said the Bureau of Reclamation has a water smart program in the amount of \$75,000 and filing is due March 1st. It's a 50% matching funds program for electronic meters and he will file for the program next week.

He said the new proposed well at Princeton will be installed by Eaton Drilling as they were the lowest out of all the quotes he'd received. He said the ground site is being worked on and a permit was granted. They will be start work in February to start drilling and test the pump. He said it wouldn't be in service this year.

He said the well on RD1004 land will have Lely's installing a pump and gear head. He said he'd rent a Cat motor tier 4 for \$5,000 per month to produce 14 c.f.s an hour and will only run it if needed. He said it produced GPM 2800/gallons per minute and will have a meter on it for use in 2021. He said it won't qualify for grants.

Terry said the three parcels of land he's requested from Department of Water Resources to be brought into the Butte sub-basin hasn't been approved. He said the District has two choices. A. Attorney file and injunction. B. Terry attend the open session of the State Board of Water Resources next meeting to talk about the problem and have it agenzized for their next meeting for action. The Board agreed Terry should attend the next open session of the State Board of Water Resources meeting.

Terry said he would like to see a fine adopted for anyone that drives on the side of the District roads. He said if the same offender does it a second time, the fine is doubled. The Board requested Terry to put in writing his fine request and submit it to the Board at their next Board meeting.

Old Business:

a. 2020 water sale proceeds

Trustee Borrelli said he would like the Board to approve a \$5.00 credit to all landowners that will be applied to their administration fee. Trustee Herkert said the District is in disrepair. He would rather see the money used to purchase a long reach excavator to improve the District. Trustee Borrelli asked the Board members how they were going to use the proceeds and make it beneficial to all landowners not just those that have water delivered to them (i.e. White Mallard, Butte Creek Farms, RD833, Rancho Caleta). He said the responsibility the Board has is to run the District efficiently and keep the costs down and this is an opportunity to do this. Chairman Hulbert said when repairs are done within the District there's no benefit to White Mallard, Butte Creek Farms, RD833 or Rancho Caleta (outlying areas). So this would be a way to equitably credit all landowners. It's a reasonable approach and treats everyone equally.

M/S/C (Borrelli, Mord) reduce the proceeds from the San Luis Delta Mendota Water Authority 2020 water transfer in the amount of \$109,000 and credit each landowner's administration fee by \$5.00 per acre ($\$22.50 - 5.00 = \17.50 per acre).

Vote: Borrelli Yes

Mord Yes

Laviolette No

Herkert No

Hulbert Yes

Vote carried 3-2

The balance of the proceeds from the 2020 water sale will be agenized for the March meeting (\$250,000) to be discussed.

Deryl Phy asked with the utility rates going up, the District look into Solar and Hydro and report at the next Board meeting. Terry said he would look into it.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 3:22 p. m.



Ed Hulbert

Chairman of the Board



Barbara J. Sachs

Secretary to the Board of Trustees