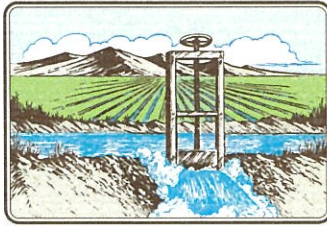


# Reclamation District No. 1004



## BOARD OF TRUSTEES BOARD MEETING

July 8th, 2020

1:37 p. m.

MINUTES

Board of Trustees present Ed Hulbert, Larry Borrelli, Leanne Mord, Hans Herkert and Travis LaViolette. Others present: District Manager Terry Bressler, Secretary to the Board of Trustees Barbara Sachs.

### **Agenda:**

M/S/C (Herkert, Mord) approve July 8th agenda.

Vote: Unanimous

### **Minutes:**

M/S/C (LaViolette, Borrelli) approve June 17<sup>th</sup> Board meeting minutes.

Vote: Unanimous

### **Financials:**

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

Barbara Sachs presented the Treasurer's Report.

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

Vote: Unanimous

Barbara Sachs presented the following financial reports.

**Interim transactions:**

M/S/C (Borrelli, Herkert) approve interim transactions in the amount of \$19,543.53

Vote: Unanimous

**Accounts Payable:**

Barbara presented the accounts payable in the amount of \$162,346.45

M/S/C (Herkert, LaViolette) approve accounts payable in the amount of \$162,346.45

Vote: Unanimous

Cash report and designation of financial accounts

M/S/C (Borelli, Herkert) 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 (Herkert, Borrelli) approved the balance sheet, profit and loss and profit and loss to budget.

Vote: Unanimous

Barbara requested a transfer from County Fund One to County Fund Three in the amount of \$10,000.00

M/S/C (Herkert, Borrelli) approved transfer from County Fund One to County Fund Three in the amount of \$10,000.00

Vote: Unanimous

Barbara requested a transfer from LAIF to Umpqua Bank in the amount of \$100,000.00

M/S/C (Laviolette, Herkert) approved transfer of \$100,000 from LAIF to Umpqua Bank.

Vote: Unanimous

Barbara said she received a letter from the Bureau of Reclamation stating the operating costs to the

Bureau were incorrect as previously reported. The BOR will review their updated expenses and Districts may receive an additional invoice in August 2021 for the difference originally invoiced. Barbara asked the Board if they wanted to set aside funds in a reserve account and the Board replied no. The Board then discussed the BOR rate setting and the risk to RD1004 of increased rates in the future. The rates are not all connected to Sacramento River as outlined in a recent BOR workshop.

Barbara reported the interest rates are very low at this time for investments. (Wells Fargo Advisors 0.15%, Umpqua Bank .30% and Tri Counties Bank 0.15%). She said LAIF and Colusa County Fund One interest rates are 1.217% for the month of June. The Board agreed to leave the investments alone.

Barbara discussed paying off the BOR balance owed in the amount of approximately \$1.4 million dollars under the WINN Act. The Board said they were not interested in paying the balance off at this time. Barbara said the WINN Act expires December 16<sup>th</sup> 2021.

Barbara said she would like a clarification on an item that was discussed at the Boards last meeting. She asked if water refunds would be on the full amount of water purchased or just on the additional amount of water purchased. The Board agreed only on the additional water purchased.

A copy of the final 2020 budget was presented to all Board members.

**Employee Sick and Vacation Leave:**

No Comment

**Chairman's Report:**

Chairman Hulbert said State Water Resource Control Board objected to the proposed operations of Shasta Reservoir to meet temperature criteria in the Sacramento River and advised the Bureau of their objection.

Chairman Hulbert said the PCFFA vs Ross law suit which RD1004 is a joint defendant won a partial victory. The court denied the fishery and the plaintiff's motion for a preliminary injunction which could have decreased Sacramento River flows.

**Manager's Report:**

Terry Bressler said San Luis Delta Mendota Water Authority signed the final purchase contract and were going to start receiving water on July 1<sup>st</sup>. He said 300 acre feet had been pumped to date.

He said 33,500 acre-feet of water has been sold to date. Water users are taking a little more water than normal.

He said the Excavator large cleaning bucket is in for repairs with Peterson Holding for an estimated \$9,000 in repairs.

Terry said there's no update on the Croftset's with the Bureau of Reclamation.

He said he's also looking to purchase a used pump for the District well.

**Old Business:**

1. Terry said the Board should have a critical year allocation plan. The Board requested Barbara to supply them with a 3 year average and the past 3 year's allocation. This item will be kept on the agenda for future discussion.

2. Terry said he would like to purchase a long reach for \$276,075.00 with a 3 year warranty. This items was tabled.

3. Terry said Colusa County Groundwater Association is still fighting with DWR on the 3 fields we requested be brought into the District sub-basin.

4. Chairman Hulbert said he wanted to set aside \$20,000.00 to gather information and a formal deposition from Jack W. Baber regarding the water rights on Drumheller Slough.

M/S/C (Borrelli, LaViolette) approve setting aside \$20,000.00 for 6 to 12 months legal and engineering work on Drumheller Slough water rights.

5. Barbara presented quotes for a new copy machine.

The Board after reviewing the quotes, made a decision to purchase a Xerox C7030 from Inland Business Machine.

M/S/C (Lavolette/Herkert) approved purchase of a Xerox C7030 copy machine from Inland Business Machines.

Vote: Unanimous

The Board approved the purchase of a new computer for Barbara not to exceed \$1,500

M/S/C (Lavolette, Herkert) approved purchase of a new computer for Barbara not to exceed \$1,500

Vote: Unanimous

6. Barbara Sachs presented the White Mallard expense rate for maintenance at the White Mallard Dam to the Board. Jeff Phelan requested the meter readers current and past wages including benefits.

Meter Reader current rate is \$22.40 per hour which includes benefits


Meter Reader old rate is \$21.56 (\$583.33 per month)

Terry is to pass this information on to Jeff Phelan for consideration

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 3:25 p.m.



Ed Hulbert  
Chairman of the Board



Barbara J. Sachs  
Secretary to the Board of Trustees