# **Reclamation District No. 1004**



## BOARD OF TRUSTEES ZOOM BOARD MEETING May 13th, 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, Paul Minasian, Melissa Barale, Jack and Audra Baber.

#### Agenda:

M/S/C (Borrelli, LaViolette) approve May 13th agenda.

Vote: Unanimous

#### Minutes:

M/S/C (Mord, LaViolette) approve April 8<sup>th</sup> Board meeting minutes.

M/S/C (LaViolette, Borrelli) approve April 21st Board meeting minutes.

#### 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 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 \$377,333,82

M/S/C (LaViolette, Borrelli) approve accounts payable in the amount of \$377,333.82

Vote: Unanimous

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

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

Vote: Unanimous

Barbara requested approval for a transfer from Umpqua Bank to LAIF in the amount of \$600,000.00.

M/S/C (Borrelli, LaViolette) approved transfer from Umpqua Bank to LAIF in the amount of \$600,000.00

Vote: Unanimous

Barbara requested approval for a transfer from Umpqua Bank to County Fund One in the amount of \$600,000.00.

M/S/C (LaViolette, Borrelli) approved transfer from Umpqua Bank to County Fund One in the amount of \$600,000.00

Vote: Unanimous

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

The Board discussed refunding overpayments of water tolls to everyone who previously paid for water due to the critical year cut back.

M/S/C (Borrelli, LaViolette) approve refunding overpayments of water tolls to everyone who previously paid for water due to the critical year cutback.

Vote: Unanimous

The Board agreed that Chairman Hulbert would sign the Biennial Notice for the District.

Barbara presented the Balance sheet, profit and loss, profit and loss to budget, cash position, financial designation and Bureau of Reclamation report.

#### **Employee Sick and Vacation Leave:**

No Comment

#### **New Business:**

- 1. Chairman Hulbert reported Jack Baber and Glenn Wellborn are working on RD1004 riparian water rights on Drumheller .
- 2. Terry Bressler will monitor the 2021 water smart program (efficiency and saving water). He said there's a web com on Thursday and he'll see what the program entails. The deadline for filing is July 8<sup>th</sup>.
- 3. Chairman Hulbert said if the State enacts Term 91 it won't affect RD1004 Bureau contract. Terry Bressler said it could affect Butte Creek Water.

#### Chairman's Report:

- 1. Chairman Hulbert said Sacramento River Settlement Contractors met in April. He said the Bureau of Reclamation is staying with their 25% cut in water allocation or 4 million acre feet.
- 2. Chairman Hulbert said a new lawsuit has been filed and it over laps NRDC. He said RD1004 may be receiving another invoice to assist in covering costs.

#### Manager's Report:

- 1. Terry said 9800 acre feet of water was delivered in three weeks and the wells are running. He said he hasn't been able to use any water off Butte Creek as he has no storage and no fields to divert the water to. Richvale farmers are cutting back which raised Butte Creek. Larry Borrelli said Rancho Caleta water came up 1 foot so they started pumping. Larry Borrelli asked if Terry could use lift pumps to move Butte Creek water and Terry said yes but at 3 times the cost. Larry said you have to be able to deliver water to the south end of the District. Chairman Hulbert tabled the matter and left it on the agenda for further discussion.
- 2. Terry said a camera was put down the District Property well to see if there are any issues. He said after cleaning drillers mud out of the well a charge would be used to open up the opening of the casings. The Board directed Terry to proceed while he determines the cost of the pump and motor later.

- 3. Terry said the Bifurcation computer is back up and running, The backup and computer died and had to be reprogramed.
- 4. Terry said the long reach is done but will resume work in November.

#### Other Business:

- 1. Groundwater Sustainability meetings are being held once a month.
- 2. Chairman Hulbert said an environmental group is challenging the water transfer to San Luis Delta Mendota Water Authority.
- 3. Terry said the Board needs to address a formula or procedure for allocating water in a drought year. Terry will review previous years and make a recommendation during the June Board Meeting.
- 3:02 p. m. Closed session was announced.

#### 3:25 p.m. Returned to open session.

Terry Bressler said the White Mallard has damage totaling \$4,000 in repairs (\$4,000 is a cost share). He requested the Board approve repairs up to \$5,000. He said the bridge is not in good condition and they needed to add a rail system. The Board directed Terry to proceed with the repairs.

No action was taken on other items.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

Ed Hulbert

Chairman of the Board

Barbara J. Sachs

Secretary to the Board of Trustees