

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
RECLAMATION DISTRICT NO. 1600**

January 8, 2021

Directors Present: Michele Clark, Nick Zanotti, Becky Yeung (attended by zoom)

Directors Absent: None

Others Present: James Nolan (Recording Secretary), and attending by zoom, Dustin Dumars, CPA, Kyle Lang, District Manager, Tina Anderson & Ric Reinhardt, both of MBK Engineers

Pursuant to the foregoing consent and the notice thereof, duly and regularly posted and given to all members of the Board of Trustees, and by-laws of said District, a special meeting of the Board of Trustees of Reclamation District No. 1600 was called to order by Michele Clark, on January 8, 2021, via zoom/conference call in the office of Gardner, Janes, Nakken, Hugo & Nolan, 429 First Street, Woodland, California.

1. Public comments on agenda items:

None.

2. Approval of the minutes of prior meeting:

None at this time, deferred to next meeting.

3. Approval of the District bills by Dustin Dumars, CPA:

The District has One Hundred Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$115,000) cash in Yolo County Treasury. The District bank account has been set up at First Northern Bank. Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) was transferred from Yolo County to the new bank account and has cleared.

Assessments have been received and deposited.

Dumars left the meeting after his report.

4. Status report on District business, by Kyle Lang, Manager:

Phil Washburn – Finished spraying the crown of the Bypass levee last Monday. Estimated bill of \$16,000.00 +/-.

River Levee - People driving up ramps and going around gates. Lang met with

Jesus Serna, who has done work for RD 537. He estimated Fourteen Thousand to install gates, possibly more fencing on both sides. Tina Anderson – Permits for gates – needs review. Gate was installed in 2014. Ric Reinhardt- Suggested applying for revision to plans for permit instead of reapplying for permit.

Manager contacted Mario's Tree Service about the tree that was cut down by PGE and left on the levee. This work qualifies for FMAP funding because it is work on the levees. There has been three miles of work on Road 117 by Mario's Tree Service.

Manager met with Jim Lamont, who has done erosion repair on Old River Road for County. Walkers caved in crown to go to fishing hole.

Manager recommends installing large landscaping rocks and gates to eliminate trespassing and damage to the levees.

Tina Anderson –SCI Consultants completed the first draft of Engineer's Report for the Levee & Drainage Facilities Improvement Assessment (the "218 report"). So far, there are 3 categories; still under discussion whether to add habitat as its own category. Tina recommends setting up a meeting with the engineer preparing the 218 report, John Bliss, to discuss. One issue is the benefit assessments – are the RD1600 owners the only beneficiaries of the levee system? Sacramento-San Juan drainage system benefits the entire area.

Question on how agricultural facilities are being assessed in RD 537 – commercial / residential? Conversation on assessments in lower Bypass. Assessments going up. Increased assessments because land values are higher than grazing land there. RD 1600 mitigation banks merit increased assessments because they are probably worth more per acre than some ag land.

6500 acres assessed, 6900 total acres, including land between the levee and the road. Zero assessment on that area. Michele Clark suggested that maybe it is a good idea to designate areas on which there is zero assessment.

Ric Reinhardt is proposing to prepare a report on DWR's future plan to move the Bypass Levee. Ric believes it would be a benefit to the District to get ahead of the decision and to consider the proposals that which would most benefit the District.

5. Manager's report:

Set forth above under Section 4 Report on District Business.

6. Update on FMAP by Tina Anderson:

Concluded last year's funding on December 31, 2020. 2021 plan in place, but zero advance until April or May, can request for funds for SWIF and 218 report on O&M. Engineers requested One Hundred Sixty-Three Thousand (\$163,000). Not sure FMAP money will be available included in the Governor's budget for 2022.

7. Update on Levee Slip repairs by Tina Anderson:

Tina Anderson reports that repairs are holding up. Non-repaired area will be reviewed. Within next two weeks should get fund money to pay contractor.

8. Such other urgent business as may be brought before the Board that has arisen since agenda was prepared:

None.

Closed Executive Session: DWR response to District on Big Notch Project.

Meeting resumed upon end of Closed Executive Session.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, upon motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES V. NOLAN, Secretary