

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

March 3, 2021

- Trustees Present:** Michele Clark, Becky Yeung by zoom or telephone call.
- Trustees Absent:** None.
- Others Present:** James Nolan (Recording Secretary), Dustin Dumars, Kyle Lang, John Bliss, Ammy (Amanda) Reyes, prospective member, all by zoom or telephone call.

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 President Michele Clark, at 10:00am. on March 3, 2021, by zoom and conference call in the office of Gardner Janes Nakken Hugo & Nolan, 429 First Street, Woodland, California. James V. Nolan acted as Secretary.

1. Public comments on agenda items:

None.

2. Approval of the minutes of prior meeting: At least on meeting.

After a discussion, upon motion duly made by Trustee Yeung, seconded by Trustee Clark and unanimously passed to approve draft minutes; James Nolan and Michele Clark will collaborate on finalizing minutes.

3. Financial report by District accountant: Dustin Dumars

Financial report attached. \$50,000.00 cash between the Treasury and First Northern.

There are some small bills, refer to Manager's report by Kyle Lang. Other bills from MBK and three from FMAP (2021).

Upon motion duly made by Trustee Becky Yeung, seconded by Michele Clark, and unanimously passed to, pass the resolution, copy attached, to transfer up to \$25,000.00 from Yolo

County Treasury to the First Northern Bank account for the district.

Upon motion duly made by Trustee Becky Yeung, seconded by Michele Clark, and unanimously passed to, authorize payment of bills identified by Dustin Dumars.

New bank account to County. ACH form letter, First Northern Bank.

MBK reported, reimbursement No. 5 for FMAP in sum of \$71,000.00 not yet received.

\$24,000.00 in invoices and checks to consultant paid.

Dustin signed out since it is tax season.

4. Manager's report:

A). Roof on pump station needs repair:

Contractor working on roof. Where located is middle of channel. Alex with Weltec to check electrical panel.

Phil Washburn has applied broad leaf spray on the side of levees, which stunts grasses and kills broadleaves last year. Now working with Ammy Reyes , of TeVelde, to use sheep at zero charge.

B). Update on haul road for DWR project:

Following up with Manny at DWR for haul route documentation. In process

C). Update on Levee Slip Repairs:Repairs look fine.

Still working with PG&E to get cut down trees removed.

5. Update on FMAP: Tina Anderson

Completion report done and turned in. Not yet finalized. Governor's reported budget does include FMAP for 2022. 2021 has already allocated \$160,000.00 plus. Working with Kyle on projects for these funds,

6. SCI Consulting Group public document on Levee and Drainage Facilities Improvement Assessment for fiscal year 2021-2022 (Prop 218 report):

John Bliss, addressed the board. Poll all landowners about increasing assessment. Power point presented. District needs additional funding. More of a political / legal exercise than an engineering one. July 14, 2021 meeting moved to July 21, 2021 to open ballots. Fifty-one percent of ballots cast to pass assessment increase. Regular tax requires two thirds of registered

voters.

Prop 218, special / benefit assessment. Property owner election gets ballots. Zero ballots of tenants, because property owners have to pay, they get to vote. Vote in same proportion as what you have to pay. Majority of returned ballots weighted by their assessment amounts. Each ballot Y/N and assessment amount on ballot. It is a dollar value vote. One owner in the district is more than 50% of vote.

John Bliss will do his self tour of the district today and take some photos.

7. **Discussion on MBK Engineer's white paper on the implementation of the Central Valley Flood Protection Plan. Action item:**

Presented info in October. David TeVelde did attend October meeting. Draft memos last board meeting. No feedback except from Michele Clark. Distributed to Steve Rother, DWR, Gary Bardini, Dan Tibbetts, SAFCA, and Elisa Sabatini, Yolo County.

Process- If the board goes ahead with advancing report. Michele Clark, gave an overview for Ammy Reyes' benefit. Ric Reinhardt, summarized.

Planning – Large Flood Control Projects major agencies ignore locals concerns. So MBK, Ric Reinhardt got involved so you have a voice.

Release administrative white paper and distribute to DWR and SAFCA. May gain momentum in coming years, but it's 10-15 years out there.

Sacramento Basin Wide Feasibility Study, lays out plan for widening basin.

Added capacity of bypass only really needed every five years (in water). Fremont weir, over tops, only the crest every other year but only crests.

Michele Clark mentioned it is important to point out that diagram 5-7 is DWR / SAFCA proposal, not MBK's or Reclamation District 1600's.

Flowage easements tend to be 90% of fee value, not guaranteed that orchards would be allowed.

This administrative white paper is not a recommendation, it is talking through all issues.

White paper is not being published by Reclamation District 1600, only putting on the table for further discussion. Lay out where do we go from here? Option 1-7, pages 5 & 6. Ric Reinhardt asks can there be local support and if so for what? Michele Clark, is there a consensus that this is the preferred approach instead of waiting to see if anything happens?

Michele Clark – Steering Committee

Steering Committee comprised of representatives of DWR, SAFCA, County, and Reclamation District 1600. Michele could start as a representative for Reclamation District 1600, and Becky Yeung wants to come in.

All Trustees can look through white paper again and get input to Ric Reinhardt and get final draft completed.

Ric Reinhardt and Michele Clark can meet one on one. Then they can meet with Becky and Ammy. Not endorsing just communicating concerns that need to be worked on.

Alternatives set out at recent meeting in October. All alternatives have harm more than value. The top of district weir widening has the least harm. Ric Reinhardt suggests maybe Joint Powers agreement between Woodland, Conaway and Tule Canal Charette partners.

8. Opening for new trustee:

Ammy Reyes would like to apply for the open position on the board that has become vacant due Nick Zanotti's resignation. If there isn't anyone else that would like to join the board after 15 days of posting notice, then the board can appoint Ammy Reyes. Upon motion duly made by Michele Clark, seconded by Becky Yeung, and unanimously passed, that Ammy Reyes be appointed to replace Nick Zanotti on the board, representing Te Velde's Bypass Farms.

9. Meeting dates for 2021- quarterly or every other month?

Next meeting May 5, 2021 at 10:00 am. Can determine other dates after that.

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

James V. Nolan resignation date will be effective June 30, 2021.

Close regular agenda at 11:40am.

Closed Executive Session: DWR response on Big Notch Project.

Continuation of discussion, response to DWR.

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