



RECLAMATION DISTRICT 900

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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF RECLAMATION DISTRICT NO. 900

The members of the Board of Trustees of Reclamation District No. 900 convened at the above time and place.

President Dan Ramos called the meeting to order. Also in attendance were Trustees Phil Hinkel, Joe DeAnda and Chris Palamidessi, Secretary/Manager Kenric Jameson, Assistant Manager Tim Mallen, Superintendent Tony Schwall, and Attorney Jim Day, Brian Turner was not in attendance.

1. Agenda Approval. President Ramos asked for a motion to approve the agenda, Trustee Hinkel made the motion. Trustee Palamidessi seconded the motion and it carried 4-0.
2. Minutes Approval. President Ramos asked for a motion to approve the May 15, 2019. Trustee DeAnda made the motion. Trustee Palamidessi seconded the motion and it carried 4-0.
3. District Finances. The issuance of checks 21649-21711, the General funds claims for the month of May 2019, one wire transfer for forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000.) dated May 10, 2019, one wire transfer for ninety-thousand dollars (\$90,000) dated May 16, 2019 and the Bank Reconciliations for May 2019, were all ratified.
4. Public Comment. There was no public comment
5. Consideration of Resolution 2019-06-01 Adopting Assessment Rate for year 2019-2020. Secretary/Manager Jameson explained that this year's rate represents a 1.81% increase over the previous based on the Construction Cost Index, which is below the 2.25% maximum escalation. Trustee Palamidessi asked for clarification on how the assessments are weighed on properties. Secretary/Manager Jameson explained that it is based upon several factors; property size, use, number of times pumped or whether gravity out. Has a minimum fee of \$25 that is common for small residential lots. President Ramos asked for a motion to approve, Trustee DeAnda made the motion to approve to approve Resolution 2019-06-01. The motion was seconded by trustee Hinkel and carried 4-0.

6. Consideration of Resolution 2019-06-02 Requesting Collection of Charges on Yolo County Tax Roll Secretary/Manager Jameson presented the resolution for approval. President Ramos asked for a motion to approve Resolution 2019-06-02, Trustee Hinkel made the motion and Trustee Palamidessi seconded the motion which passed by a vote of 5-0.
7. Consideration of Certification of Assessment President Ramos asked for a motion to approve the Certification of the Assessment, Trustee DeAnda made the motion and Trustee Palamidessi seconded the motion which passed by a vote of 5-0.
8. Consideration of Budget for Fiscal Year 2019/2020 Assistant Manager Mallen presented the budget, explained that taken into account on the salaries and medical is the retirement of Superintendent Schwall and pay changes based on the recently developed salary schedule. There was also a new category added for the purchase and improvements of the new building that is in escrow. Secretary/Manager Jameson also mentioned that there is a large budget for equipment purchase but this will be fully funded by FMAP and that is shown on the budget as a source of revenue. Additionally he explained there are two large drainage improvement projects to be done this year, which will be offset partially by reimbursement with NRCS whom the District is already in contract with. There being no further questions regarding the budget President Ramos asked for a motion to approve the budget as is, Trustee Palamidessi made the motion to approve to approve Resolution 2019-06-01. The motion was seconded by trustee Hinkel and carried 4-0.
9. Consideration of Contract Award for the Causeway Pump Station Repair Project Secretary/Manager Jameson presented the Contract with Sierra National Construction for the Pump Station repair, presented that 3 bids were received (\$334k, \$396k, \$526k) compared to an engineer's estimate of \$358k. President Ramos asked if the high bidder was the low bidder from the Racetrack pump station awarded last month. Secretary/Manager Jameson explained that it was, T&S Construction, but that sheet pile installation work is specialized and they do not typically do this kind of work. He also explained that this project is 75% funded by a reimbursement agreement with NRCS and that there may be the possibility to get some of that additional cost covered by CAL OES. When FEMA was approached with these projects when initiated they told us to find funding anywhere else first which is how it came to be finding NRCS to fund the projects. There being no further questions regarding the contract President Ramos asked for a motion to approve the contract, Trustee Hinkel made the motion to approve to approve Resolution 2019-06-02. The motion was seconded by trustee Palamidessi and carried 4-0.
10. Consideration of New Slope Mower Purchase (100% FMAP grant

funded) Secretary/Manager Jameson explained that because of the newly constructed river levee, which has a much larger footprint with shallower slopes and a large seepage berm, requires more use of a slope mower. Additionally the present mower already has a full workload so another one is needed. He went on to explain that DWR recently went out to bid for three of the model we would need to purchase, with only the cutter head needing to be swapped out and that we can piggy back onto their bid. We Checked with Jeff VanGilder who is managing the FMAP funding and he stated that was perfectly acceptable for receiving reimbursement. There being no further questions regarding the mower, President Ramos asked for a motion to approve the purchase of the mower. Secretary/Manager also reported that we would be going out to bid on a robotic mower that was demoed last week. Explained that the mower allows us to safely mow areas that were previously completely inaccessible, proceeded to show some videos taken of the mower working on District waterside levee slopes. Trustee DeAnda made the motion to approve to approve the purchase. The motion was seconded by trustee Hinkel and carried 4-0.

11. Plans and Permits. Secretary/Manager Jameson presented the encroachment permit that needed to be submitted to the CVFPB so that the WSAFCA mitigation project in the offset area of the Southport project can be constructed. This portion of the project had not been a part of the original encroachment permit and needs to be added. Secretary/Manager Jameson also presented to the board a proposed easement description for the ditch located within Rick Hart's development, Capitol Estates. The ditch as it was and is constructed is not within the original easement, this grants the rights for the ditch as it is with some language in it to eliminate the possible public use of the corridor. Jim Day stated that although the language is not typical he takes no exception to it. President Ramos asked for a motion to approve the easement, Trustee DeAnda made the motion to approve the Easement language and accept the easement. The motion was seconded by trustee Palamidessi and carried 4-0.
12. LAFCO update. Secretary/Manager Jameson reported that the Public hearing is scheduled for July 25th and he is hopeful of a decision in favor of RD 900. Over the last week additional information was provided on RD 537's assessment and the opinion on split. Although he stated we do not know what questions are being asked of the City, only that the questions asked of the RD's is focused on how to make the separation of internal drainage work. LAFCo attorney reached out to the City Attorney requesting that they respond on the subject of inverse condemnation, a cutoff date of June 21st was given if they so choose to respond.
13. Superintendent's Report. Superintendent Schwall updated the

Board on field operations and Maintenance. Items discussed included scheduled pump maintenance at SIP and Causeway pump stations, mowing throughout the district and detention pond treatment for aquatic vegetation.

14. Assistant Manager's report. Assistant Manager Mallen reported that the funding for FMAP is supposedly going to be issued by the end of the month and that time and expense accrued to date are already being tracked. Over the last week AECOM has brought Granite back to the Southport project to complete punch list work and this work should be done this week. Last week Mallen coordinated the demo of a robotic mower on the river levee as previously discussed. Reported that continues with the sorting and cataloging of the Districts documents.
15. Manager's Report. Manager Jameson had nothing further to report beyond what has already been discussed.
16. WSAFCA Projects Update Secretary/Manager Jameson reported that there were no additional projects to update on.
17. Informational Items. Secretary/Manager Jameson discussed that Assistant Manager Mallen is doing a great job of performing his duties. Secretary/Manager Jameson discussed that he is working with Doug from DroneTec towards the development of a feasibility study for drone use in Levee O&M and inspection. Hope is to develop various work plans and present to the Flood Association and others.
18. Adjourn There being nothing further, President Ramos asked for a motion to adjourn. Trustee DeAnda moved and Trustee Palamidessi seconded the motion. The meeting then adjourned to the next regularly scheduled meeting on July 11, 2019.



Kenric Jameson, PG
General Manager/Secretary