

Sacramento River West Side Levee District

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners

June 21, 2017

President Tibbitts called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners to order at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 21, 2017 at Reclamation District No. 108 headquarters, Wilkins Slough, Colusa County, California.

Commissioners Present: Tom Ellis, Fritz Durst, Paul Sankey, Dan Tibbitts and Roger Cornwell (by phone non-posted location, non-participating).

Commissioners Absent: None

Others Present: Meegan Nagy, Deputy Manager
Bill Vanderwaal, Deputy Manager
Gary Marler, Superintendent
Cathy Busch, Executive Secretary
Beverly Walls, Bookkeeper
Norm Newell, Smith & Newell

Agenda – Commissioner Ellis moved to approve the Agenda as presented. Commissioner Sankey seconded. Approved: 4 – 0.

Public Participation: There was no Public comment at this time.

ADMINISTRATION

Minutes – It was moved by Commissioner Sankey to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner Ellis seconded. Approved 4 – 0.

Financial Report and Accounts Payable – The Board reviewed the Financial Reports for May/June 2017, including the June Accounts Payables totaling \$36,646.12 and payments made during May totaling \$13,916. After discussion, Commissioner Sankey moved to approve the June Accounts Payables and ratify payments made in May. Commissioner Ellis seconded. Approved 4 – 0.

2016 Financial Audit Report – Mr. Norm Newell presented the 2017 Financial Audit. He said that the District was given a clean unmodified opinion. He reviewed the District's financial statements and said that the District was in good financial standing. There was one question regarding the Capital Asset on the books totaling \$1,100. Staff said that they will search old records and see what the Capital Asset is. Mr. Newell reported that once the Audit Report has been approved they will file the State Controller's Report. After discussion, it was moved by

Commissioner Sankey to approve the 2016 Financial Audit as presented. Commissioner Ellis seconded. Approved 4 – 0.

BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Operations Report – Superintendent Marler reported that general maintenance has resumed after receiving permission from FEMA to remove fallen trees from the levee tow. This has been completed using the staff from One Stop labor force at no cost to District. Fire breaks have been disked and a portion of the levee has been burned. Rodent control is ongoing and has been focused on north of RD108 headquarters.

2. Flood Control Projects

- **Flood System Repair Program (FSRP)**

- **Missouri Bend Project** – Deputy Manager Nagy reported that she working with KSN to go through the permitting process. The funding agreement with DWR has been signed. She attended a meeting with the Corps and Central Valley Flood Protection Board (CVFPB) to review the Project conceptual design. The design would include a 20-foot berm over most of the area and a 80-foot berm in the corner area. Mr. O'Regan has been talking to River Garden Farms (RGF) regarding the project design. They were contacted by Westervelt regarding a possible setback levee in the same area for fish restoration. Ms. Nagy said that they are going to submit the permitting applications based on the full project area, knowing that there is not enough funding to complete it all, but later when funding might come available the Project would be ready to go. She was contacted by the Corps and notified that they do not have any funding available for permitting. She will continue to pursue the Permit funding. She noted that there will be a request from at least one Indian tribe to be involved with the project.
- **Mid-Upper Sacramento Regional Flood Plan (MUSRFP)** – Deputy Manager Nagy reported that there has been a delay in adoption of the Plan until August 25, 2017. The next workshop is scheduled for Friday on Vegetation and removal of facilities. The MUSRFP was approved for an additional \$100,000 for a
- **Resolution No. 17-05 in the Matter of DWR Deferred Maintenance** – Deputy Manager Nagy reported that the Sutter Bypass

3. 2017 Flood Event

- **PL84-99 Rehabilitation Assistance Request** – Deputy Manager Nagy and Superintendent Marler completed a site visit to six
- **Federal Declared Disasters** – Deputy Manager Nagy reported that the District submitted a Notice of Interest seeking \$3 million for Missouri Bend Levee Project.
- **Vegetative Debris FEMA Assistance** – Deputy Manager Nagy reported that the paperwork for removal of the 2017 flood vegetative debris has been completed. It is still unknown if the District will receive any reimbursement for this cost.

4. California Central Valley Flood Control Association (CCVFCA) – Deputy Manager Nagy reported that the District has a seat on the CCVFCA that is open. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Ellis to appoint Ben Carter as the District's representative to the CCVFCA and Deputy Manager Nagy as the alternate. Commissioner Sankey seconded. Approved 4 – 0.

5. Resolution No. 17-04 in the Matter of Levying Assessment No. 38 – After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Cornwell to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 17-04 in the matter of Levying Assessment No. 38 with a 4 percent increase. Commissioner Ellis seconded. Approved 4 – 0.

INFORMATION REPORTS

Deputy Managers' Report – Deputy Manager Vanderwaal gave a status report of the Office Annex Project.

Adjournment – There being no comments from the Public and no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Meegan Nagy
Deputy Manager