

RECLAMATION DISTRICT NO. 2035
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
September 29, 2020

1. **Call to Order**

Pursuant to notice of a Regular meeting, which was posted and served on the members of the Board of Trustees of Reclamation District No. 2035 more than 72 hours prior to September 29, 2020, the Board of Trustees of Reclamation District No. 2035 held a regular meeting. The meeting was held via teleconference due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The meeting was called to order at 9:31 a.m. by President Tsakopoulos.

2. **Roll Call**

President Tsakopoulos, Trustee Robert Baker and Trustee Angelo Christie were present via teleconference. President Tsakopoulos noted that there was a quorum was present for conducting business. Mike Hall, District General Manager, Scott Morris, General Counsel, Denise Costa, Will Vasilopoulos, and District Engineer Jay Punia were also present via teleconference at the meeting.

3. **Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

4. **Approve Minutes**

The Board consider approval of the June 30, 2020 Regular Board meeting minutes. After review, Trustee Baker moved approval of the minutes and Trustee Christie seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by a 3-0 vote.

5. **Budget v. Actual Status Through September 25 2020**

Marti Holland (not present) provided a handout that was presented to the Board by General Manager Mike Hall that showed the FY 2019-20 Budget v. Actual through the September 25, 2020. Increased water rates for this fiscal year helped put the District in a strong cash position. Currently there is expendable cash of \$563,000 after allowing for reserves. The District has been reimbursed for the siphon gate as well as the Flood Maintenance program which helped the M & O have a positive cash flow. President Tsakopoulos added that unfarmed lands will now help contribute to the M&O fund which will also add to the strength of that fund.

The report was received by the Board and no action was taken.

6. **Levee repair Update**

Mike Hall reported that the last levee repair site is far more complicated than originally anticipated. The repair will now cost more than \$4M, paid for by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The repair will now require the canal to be relocated, so the work will be delayed until the summer of 2021. The work may take most of the summer to complete, and the canal relocation may result in a slight loss of property.

No action was taken on this item.

7. **Intake Facility – Erosion**

Mike Hall reported that bids for the erosion repairs needed at the Intake Facility came in higher than expected at about \$100,000, although there is the possibility a contractor can do the work for less. The work is being bid/supervised by the WDCWA, and likely won't be completed until next year. Under the cost share agreement with WDCWA, the District's share would be 80%.

This item was for information only, and no action was taken.

8. **Sierra Railroad Parking Agreement-WDCWA/RD2035**

There was no report on this item. General Manager Mike Hall will report back to the Board on any progress in resolving this issue.

9. **Siphon Gate repair Reimbursement**

Mr. Hall stated that the Siphon Gate repairs were completed and the entire project cost the District \$155,000 of which \$130,000 was previously reimbursed by the Federal/State governments. The District now has received additional reimbursements for a total of \$150,000.

No action was taken on this item.

10. **Flood Maintenance Assistance Program**

Mike Hall reported that the District had requested about \$63,000 in advanced funding from DWR for maintenance activities. He provided a handout of the application showing the categories and amounts of the funding request.

No action was taken on this item.

11. **Authorize the GM to Execute the FMAP Funding Agreement with DWR for 2021**

Mike Hall explained to the Board that this DWR program reimburses the District for certain O&M work. Last year the District received \$66,000 for reimbursed that covered all of the District's O&M work. District Engineer Jay Punia further explained the program

to the Board and asked that the Board authorize the GM to enter into the funding agreement with DWR.

Trustee Christie moved to authorize General Manager Hall to execute the DWR Funding agreement on behalf of the District. Trustee Baker seconded the motion. The motion was approved 3-0.

12. **Resolution Accepting Funds From DWR**

As part of the FMAP funding agreement with DWR, the District considered a Resolution required by DWR to accept the FMAP funds.

After discussion, Trustee Christie moved to approve the Resolution required by DWR to accept the FMAP funds. Trustee Baker seconded the motion. The motion was approved 3-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:02 am. The next meeting will be on November 20, 2020 at 9:30 am.

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ATTEST:

Secretary, Reclamation District 2035