

**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
DELTA FARMS RECLAMATION DISTRICT NO. 2030**

November 29, 2023

Pursuant to written notice, a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of Reclamation District No. 2030 was held on Wednesday, November 29, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. at the Clavius Club, Stockton, California.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at approximately 10:30 a.m. at the Clavius Club in Stockton, California. Trustees Dennis Gardemeyer and Dan Tank were present. Trustee Jim Paroli was not present. Also present were George V. Hartmann, Ed Zuckerman, Steve Sinnock, John Gardemeyer, Mark Croce and Justin Roberts.

2. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the October 25, 2023, regular meeting were previously distributed to the Trustees for their review prior to the meeting. The minutes were approved upon motion by Trustee Tank, seconded by Trustee Gardemeyer, with all Trustees voting in favor, with one change, which was that Ed Zuckerman was present at the meeting.

3. Public Comment

None.

7. District Counsel Report

This item was taken out of order. District Counsel explained his efforts to derail the tunnel project through his work with Hong Lin, who controls all the budget and financials for the State Water Project, and is supportive of what District Counsel wants to do. Trustee Gardemeyer discussed Randall Neudeck's view on the tunnel and Trustee Gardemeyer explained the seepage easement.

District Counsel then discussed the Prop 218 letter regarding the fee and charge increase, which had been sent to all of the landowners. Dan Tank stated that the fee increase and letter have been electronically logged within PG&E and the increase has been captured in PG&E's budget for the island.

4. Habitat Mitigation Site Assessment and Report

Justin Roberts reported on the mitigation site. The situation was discussed and Justin reported that there is not a lot of native growth now that cold weather has arrived, but his expectation is that the goals of cover will be achieved next year.

Trustee Gardemeyer reported on his conversation with the Port of Stockton regarding sites to use for the deposition of fill material excavated by the port. Dennis reported that the proposed fill sites are odd in shape due to potential habitat issues, and provided diagrams showing same.

10. Engineer's Report

This item was taken out of order. Steve Sinnock reported that the final subvention claim for the 2022-2023 fiscal year has been filed in the amount of \$1,002,000, and that the same was timely filed.

The risk analysis being performed by PG&E may be complete by the end of the year.

The lowering of the 57-B pipeline was discussed with District Counsel being directed to interface with PG&E by the next meeting.

Steve Sinnock stated, with respect to the bridge repairs, that the plans from HDR have been received and basically involve trimming each end of the deck to create adequate clearance for opening and closing.

The next subject discussed was the habitat and it was reported that it is not ready for final approval for long term maintenance, but will be in the near future.

5. Monthly Financial Review and Warrant Approval

Mark Croce stated that Zenith Insurance will be raising the District's workers compensation insurance premium cost by \$5,000 for the current fiscal year. Otherwise, the bills to be paid for the month are standard with nothing extraordinary. As of today, including warrants and checks to be issued, the total outstanding balance on the warrant purchase line at Bank of Stockton is \$2,950,000.

There was then a discussion regarding pre-approving December bills, checks and warrants for payment, without holding a Trustees' meeting since the District by custom does not hold Trustee meetings in December. It was discussed and agreed on motion by Trustee Gardemeyer, seconded by Trustee Tank, that the Trustees were authorized to issue and sign the usual and customary warrants and checks in December, subject to ratification and review at the January Trustees' meeting.

The current warrants and checks were then presented and the same were approved on motion by Trustee Gardemeyer and seconded by Trustee Tank.

There will be no December meeting.

6. Status of Bridge Repairs

Covered under the Engineer's Report.

8. Discussion of MCD L-57B

Tabled.

9. Discussion Regarding Generator Replacement

Tabled.

11. Water Diversion Measurement Progress

Tabled.

12. Lost Isle

The Trustees believe Lost Isle is exceeding any allowed use by virtue of having two boats moored at the levee dock along with a camper and an old van at the bridge. District Counsel was instructed to write to Lost Isle instructing them to remove all boats and vehicles, inasmuch as no access is needed since there is no activity at Lost Isle.

13. New/Old Business

The subject of health insurance for bridge tenders was again discussed. Three of the four bridge tenders are currently enrolled in the health insurance provided by the District and Kaiser is the current insurance carrier, with the bridge tender's co-pay being raised to 20 percent. Jeff Tokunaga is the insurance agent and Mark Croce and John Gardemeyer will work on optimizing the insurance plan and costs.

14. Adjournment

The next meeting was then scheduled for **Wednesday, January 24, 2024, at 9:30 a.m.** to take place at the Clavius Club in Stockton, California.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE V. HARTMANN, Secretary