

RECLAMATION DISTRICT NO. 1601
306 Second Street
Isleton, CA 95641

Minutes of the Board of Trustees
Special Meeting
May 9, 2024

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER.

President Barry Sgarrella called the special meeting of the Board of Trustees (Board) to order on May 9, 2024, at 9:03 a.m. ROLL CALL: In attendance: Trustee Dave Huston and Trustee Jasbir Gill. District's superintendent Mr. Ricky Carter Jr., District's engineer Mr. Chris Neudeck and District's attorney Mr. Jesse Barton.

Also attending, Mr. Ricky Carter Sr.

Attending by conference call, District's secretary Mrs. Linda Carter, President Barry Sgarrella (agenda posted at Mr. Sgarrella's location) and District's accountant/treasurer Mrs. Perla Tzintzun-Garibay with Butterfield and Company.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT: ANY PERSON MAY SPEAK ON ANY TOPIC INCLUDING ANY AGENDA ITEM LISTED BELOW, PROVIDED IT IS WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF RD 1601.

Nothing to report.

3. BOARD TO DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY APPROVE RENTING AN EXCAVATOR TO PERFORM MAINTENANCE TO DISTRICT CANALS AND DITCHES.

Mr. Ricky Carter told the Board the District needs to rent an excavator to be able to perform maintenance on the District canals and ditches. Mr. Carter passed out quotes from Sunbelt Rentals and United Equipment Company. Sunbelt Rentals quote is for a HYD Excavator Long Reach \$10,750.00, misc. charges \$2,130.75, delivery and pick up charge \$1,200.00, sales tax \$1,044.77, total charge of \$15,125.52. Sunbelt is requesting a rental insurance protection plan for \$1,600.00. The rental insurance protection is not covered under the Districts insurance. The HYD excavator is heavier than the CAT excavator from United Equipment Company. United Equipment Company quote is for a CAT 326 Long Reach Excavator Front with 60" ditch bucket for \$11,500.00, Rio Vista sales tax \$934.95, and including freight to deliver and return of \$1,500.00, and the estimate total is \$13,934.95. Mr. Carter told the Board that he was thinking about having Mr. Dominic Calabro to work 5 days -12 hours per day and Mr. Carter would work on the weekends 2 days-12 hours per day. Mr. Carter was trying to figure out how to get the maintenance work done in a one-month to three- month time period. Mr. Neudeck said you will be paying overtime and that's not really a savings. The insurance company is paying for the rental, but not for the overtime pay. The Board discussed the different types of excavators when its time for the District to purchase one.

After some discussion Trustee Gill entertained a motion to approve renting a CAT excavator from United Equipment Company for the first month monthly fee of \$13,934.95 (based on monthly rental, delivery and pick up and sales tax) and after that a monthly fee of approximately \$12,434.95 for up to three months, motion was seconded by President Sgarrella VOTE: AYES: President Sgarrella, Trustee Huston and Trustee Gill NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None, motion carried.

4. BOARD TO DISCUSS POSSIBLY APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH DRONE OPERATORS TO APPLY HERBICIDE WHERE NEEDED ON DISTRICT FACILITIES.

At this time the Board does not have a contract for the Board to consider approving today. Mr. Chris Neudeck told the Board that two companies have given a quote. One being from Leading Edge, they were the company the District dealt with last year and received no results due to the company not having the right applicator licenses and Leading Edge's quote is not for spraying Sevenmile Slough. It is just to do the District's canals and doing it at an application rate less than the District consultant recommendation. Leading Edge has the ratio of 1 to 3 gallons per acre. The District's consultant Blankenship is recommending 10 gallons per acre. Leading Edge is asking for \$2,832.50 (daily rate of \$1,800.00 for application of 1-3 Gallons Per Acre, daily travel fee of \$350.00, should digital imagery be needed, a flat charge of \$6,082.20 will apply) it does not include spraying Sevenmile Slough or for any herbicides. Clearlake is asking for \$15,000.00, for spraying canals 2,3 and 4 this does not include Sevenmile Slough. Clearlake has a rate per acre they charge the State of California \$1,450.00 per acre and it includes herbicides. Clearlake believes that there are 4 canals for around 53 acres (not including Sevenmile Slough) and the cost would be around \$80,000.00 this includes herbicides and spraying. The quote is based on approximately 80% infested canals. However, there were numerous inconsistencies in Clearlake's bid. Mr. Rick Carter told the Board the District would clean the canals before any spraying. After some discussion the Board decided that Mr. Neudeck would convert the District's canals and Sevenmile Slough into acres. President Sgarrella will contact the District's consultant Blankenship asking for a recommendation for a third drone company. This matter will be addressed at the May 21st meeting with more information from the two companies that submitted their quotes and with more clarification on what their quotes are. Need to know the price per acre, how many gallons per acre (Blankenship recommends 10 gallons per acre). Find out if they have the proper application license. Need to know what herbicides they will be spraying. Mr. Ricky Carter will find a third drone company and get a quote and information from them.

5. SACRAMENTO COUNTY MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL LOCAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE-THE BOARD WILL CONSIDER PARTICIPATING IN THE PLAN UPDATE.

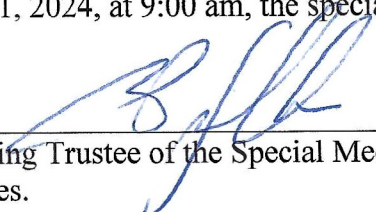
Mr. Chris Neudeck told the Board that the Sacramento County Multi-Jurisdictional Local Hazard Mitigation should include this district. Mr. Neudeck went over with the Board explaining what the Sacramento County Multi-Jurisdictional Local Hazard Mitigation Plan is about. In the past the District has been able and has applied for disaster assistance after an event. This plan is for the District to be able to apply for pre

disaster work to be done before a true disaster event happens. Not necessarily levee work but such as elements associated with flood control. Such as improve the District's pump station. To participate the District will have to sign the letter of intent and it will be signed by President Sgarrella on behalf of the District indicating the District's interest in participating. The cost should be next to minimal amount. Because Sacramento County has most of the information. if there is a cost the District will seek some type of reimbursement. At this point there is no cost.

After some discussion Trustee Gill entertained a motion to approve the District to participate in the Sacramento County Multi-Jurisdictional Local Hazard Mitigation plan and to have President Sgarrella sign the letter of intent, motion was seconded by Trustee Huston VOTE: AYES: President Sgarrella, Trustee Huston and Trustee Gill NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None, motion carried.

6. ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be called to order May 21, 2024, at 9:00 am, the special meeting was adjourned at 9:40 am.



Presiding Trustee of the Special Meeting May 9, 2024, certifies the above Minutes.



Secretary