

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF  
THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF  
RECLAMATION DISTRICT NO. 1600**

Pursuant to notice duly served and posted, a special meeting of the Board of Trustees of Reclamation District No. 1600 was held on March 4, 2020, at the hour of 9:30 a.m. at the District Office located at 429 First Street, Woodland, California.

Members of the Board present at the meeting were: Michele Clark, Nick Zanotti. Absent: Kent Lang. Also present: James V. Nolan, District Secretary, Kyle Lang, Manager and Ric Reinhardt, MBK and Elisa Sabbatini, Yolo County, and Doug Brown, Consultant to Yolo County.

**1. Public comment on agenda items.**

None.

**2. Approve the minutes of prior meeting.**

Upon motion duly made by Trustee Clark, seconded by Trustee Zanotti and unanimously passed, the minutes of the meeting of December 5, 2020, were approved as presented.

**3. Approve and pay the District's bills.**

Upon motion duly made by Trustee Zanotti, seconded by Trustee Clark and unanimously carried, the Board ratified payment of the following claims against the District, paid since the meeting of December 5, 2020:

H & H Excavating, Inc.	11/28/2019	1,500.00
Michele Clark-Service meeting	12/5/2019	150.00
Kent Lang-Service meeting	12/5/2019	150.00
Nick Zanotti-Service meeting	12/5/2019	150.00
PG&E	12/5/2019	44.26:

		Ended up only paying 22.13 of this bill because the claim I sent over on 11/25/19 finally went through for payment and the invoices overlapped.
MBK Engineers -FMAP LOI / SWIF	12/11/2019	1,100.50
MBK Engineers-General Engineer consulting services	12/11/2019	435.75
Living Systems Land Mntg -goat levee grazing	12/16/2019	21,000.00
WellTec-Yearly maintenance	12/11/2019	3,363.02
Glatfelter Insurance- 11/1/2019-11/1/2020	11/5/2019	6,155.00
Wilbur-Ellis Company -Esplanade 200 SC/Agency	12/20/2019	1,782.07
Wilbur-Ellis Compnay-Maintenance	12/20/2019	3,248.38
Mary Howard-Squirrel control	12/1/2019	350.00
McLaughlin Ag Spraying - Levee weed control	12/24/2019	2,250.00
Garndner,Janes,Nakken & Hugo Law Office - Professional services	1/3/2020	175.00
PG&E	1/6/2020	29.41
Diamond D -Placing of post , new chain and fied lock	1/3/2020	2,466.45
MBK Engineers - FMAP LOI/SWIF, FMAP 218 Election, FMAP Admin.	12/31/2019	3,217.77
MBK Engineers - Emergency Slip Repair	1/16/2020	1,952.25

Rusty Vermazen- Trapped Beaver	1/22/2020	500.00
GJN&N-Professional services	1/31/2020	350.00
Mary Howard-Squirrel control	January 2020	350.00
PG&E	2/4/2020	66.55
Kent Lang -Service meeting 2/20/20	2/20/2020	150.00
Michele Clark-Service meeting 2/20/2020	2/20/2020	150.00
Nick Zanotti-Service meeting 2/20/2020	2/20/2020	150.00
MBK Engineers -General consulting/O&M support/Slip repair	2/19/2020	1,735.83
State Compensation Insurance Fund -	2/2/2020	73.34
State Compensation Insurance Fund	2/25/2020	535.75
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$52,909.20</b>

Upon motion duly made by Trustee Clark seconded by Trustee Zanotti, and unanimously carried (Trustee Lang was absent) the following claims were allowed and warrants therefor directed to be drawn:

Kent Lang - services as trustee for meeting on	3/4/2020	Absent
Michele Clark - services as trustee for meeting on	3/4/2020	150.00
Nick Zanotti - services as trustee for meeting on	3/4/2020	150.00

**4. Status reports on the District's business.**

**Levee Repair-** Ric Reinhardt reported on Asta contract to excavate to see how deep levee repairs is needed.

A discussion was held. Upon motion duly made by Trustee Zanotti, seconded by Trustee Michele Clark and unanimously passed (President Kent Lang absent) the contract with Asta (copy attached) was approved for execution by acting President, Michele Clark. Contract signed and given to Ric Reinhardt.

Ric Reinhardt reported on the consideration of flood system wide study for regional assessment for levee improvements benefiting the regional system.

Yolo County Counsel Phil Pogledich is optimistic, because county has not gotten

any progress in 12 years as currently.

Districts concerns, how high flows will affect the levees. Report has been received from State and forwarded to Ric Reinhardt and is under review.

**5. Discuss CEQA case and MOU with the County.**

DWR has gone silent and all communications has to go through Lawyers. If soil is being excavated, the District would like to use some of it for levee repairs. David TeVelde will use soil, which he has obtained rights to the soil to increase field level for orchard within the district (3' raise of level). How does Reclamation District 1600 keep our interest alive with Yolo County and DWR. Keep pushing our issues with Board of Supervisors.

**6. Discuss Yolo Bypass Tule Canal Design Charrette.**

Doug Brown, reported on study from April 2014 on Yolo Bypass study. Talked to land owners and identified 12 projects. Several were grant funded and completed. Supervisors wanted to update the study, particularly looking at Tule Canal Design Charrette. Purpose of identifying improvements to the Tule Canal. Meeting schedule for April 3, 2020 in West Sacramento.

This time is unavailable for several landowners and tenants to whom the Tule Canal has impacts.

These folks who are unavailable will be provided an opportunity for input and feedback.

Ag mitigation issues were discussed and concept of ag mitigation fund has been considered.

Tule Canal- non native plants (Primrose) that are clogging fish passage is not considered significant by DWR. Reclamation District 1600 Bypass levee having seeping and cracking especially in heavy rain years.

**7. Discuss Upper Bypass Feasibility Study –purpose and status.**

Ric Reinhardt inquired about the study. Conversations by County with SAFCA

reflects no interest at this time. All projects on the map if built out and strategizes for ag sustainability, recreation, water supply – of interest to the County.

The motion of a set back levee may be of interest to landowners. Additionally the old pumps facility of the district will be updated.

What drove the Board of Supervisor's interest in Bypass Project in 2014 was the affects on landowners and agriculture. Sustainability of ag is of high concern to the Board of Supervisors.

Information will be circulated to land owners and tenants in adjacent to the Bypass.

Approached by SAFCA about over view of legislation. Yolo Bypass System Improvement Act of 2020. Outcome of legislation is putting all projects on hold. Ric Reinhardt reported that the concerns of Yolo County and Reclamation District 1600 are not concerns the COE will look at or consider in its evaluation. It is important for local concerns to be in the State legislation so that projects could be funded.

Elsie Sabbatini reported overview and gist of discussion with DWR. County gave DWR a memo of its concerns ad issues : economic impacts, agriculture. Concentration on last date of operation, so planting can occur. All discussions were on impacts with the Bypass, none on properties or affects onside of the Bypass. State has offered through water contractors to fund a staff position for twenty years to monitor this project. A role on the governance and Reclamation District1600's concerns. Supervisors has messaged districts concerns to the State.

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**8. Discuss habitat project in the Yolo Bypass.**

None.

**9. Other urgent business brought before the Board that has arisen since the**

**agenda was prepared.**

None.

**Next board meeting.** The proposed date for the next meeting is **June 3, 2020**. Items to include on the agenda include: **1)** Public comment on agenda items; **2)** Approve the minutes of prior meeting; **3)** Approve and pay the District's bills; **4)** Status report on the District's business;

**5)** \_\_\_\_\_;

**6)** \_\_\_\_\_;

**7)** Such other business as may be brought before the Board that has arisen since the agenda was prepared.

Other agenda items will be added as necessary.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, upon motion duly made by Trustee Zanotti, seconded by Trustee Clark, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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JAMES V. NOLAN, Secretary