

**GENERAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
RECLAMATION DISTRICT NO. 2074**

April 16, 2024

Pursuant to written notice, a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of Reclamation District No. 2074 was held on Tuesday, April 16, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. at 3425 Brookside Road, Suite A, Stockton, California.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. There were present at the meeting Trustees Nelson Bahler, Robert Ripken and Dennis Shore. Also present were George V. Hartmann, Rhett Kilgore, Mark Croce and Chris Kane.

2. Public Comment

Chris Kane was present at the meeting to report on his beaver depredation activities along 14 Mile Slough. Mr. Kane reported that 14 Mile Slough is home to lots of beavers and that although he had successfully relocated many, if the Trustees wanted him to continue he was willing to do so and to enter into a new contract for 100 hours, which is the same as his prior contract and subject to obtaining the necessary permits from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife. On motion by Trustee Bahler, seconded by Trustee Ripken, the Trustees agreed to enter into a new contract with Mr. Kane in the amount of \$12,000 for 100 hours of his time, and the District Engineer was instructed to provide District Counsel with information regarding recent and historical efforts taken by the District to mitigate beaver damage detrimental to District levees. This information to be used by District Counsel to coordinate with CDFW with the threat of Paterno liability if additional permits are not issued.

3. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the March 19, 2024, General Meeting were previously distributed to the Trustees for their review prior to the meeting, and said minutes were approved on motion by Trustee Bahler and seconded by Trustee Shore, with all Trustees voting in favor.

4. Communication From Members of the Public

The District Engineer stated there was nothing major to discuss.

5. Review of Financial Statement

Mark Croce reviewed the current financial statements and remarked that the District had \$954,000 of revenue and is well ahead of budget.

6. Checks and Warrants

The Secretary presented the following warrants from the General Fund:

No. 5123 to Hartmann Law Firm for \$8,424.00
No. 5124 to Siegfried Engineering, Inc for \$15,036.00
No. 5125 to Chem-Weed, LLC for \$18,750.00
No. 5126 to Hammer Head Protection for \$1,286.79
No. 5127 to CSV for \$3,150.00
No. 5128 to Dohrmann Insurance for \$32,561.00
No. 5129 to RD 2074 for \$2,500.00

And the following warrants from Special Fund #83:
None

And the following checks:

2409 to EBMUD for \$1,746.90
2410 to Nelson Bahler for \$147.73
2411 to Robert Ripken for \$147.73
2412 to Dennis Shore for \$147.73

The Trustees then took up the subject of the District's warrants and checks. Upon motion by Trustee Bahler, seconded by Trustee Ripken, all of said warrants and checks were approved for payment, with all Trustees voting in favor.

7. Engineer's Report

Rhett Kilgore reported on a matter of old business, which was that the District's subvention application for the next fiscal year was timely filed.

The District has been fully paid for January storms' emergency costs from FEMA, with reimbursement for the March storms still in review.

Ground penetrating radar studies are being conducted this week by the Army Corps for the Calaveras River Levee Project – Phase C of the overall USACE project.

Rhett reported that the tree injection along the pedestrian path was done last week and that the path was closed during that period of work but is now open.

The homeless camps at North Buckley Cove were again described by Rhett and he stated that they had been reported to Stockton Police Department and a 72 hour notice to vacate has been given.

Summarized in the Engineer's written report is the rodent control success of the District. Game cameras and surveys have shown active fox movement and there are three active fox burrows.

Traps were set by Chem Weed per contract. There were two bidders Chem Weed was the highest responsible bidder. The alternative company is newly organized and their track record is unknown.

There was then a discussion regarding the FMAP reimbursement possibilities and the District Engineer and District Counsel were directed to address same. District Counsel then reported that discussions had been held and would be ongoing regarding reimbursements from SJAFCA for the assessments against Brookside property owners.

Rhett reported that he had received two encroachment applications. One from Janna Stonebarger, lot 4181 – 6091 Riverbank Circle, to replace groundcover. Also, one from Mike Palumbo, lot 3217 – 5314 St. Andrews Drive, for handrails. One additional permit application had been received from Earl Wadlow, lot 1901 – 4942 St. Andrews Drive, for handrails on the levee steps. The District Engineer recommended approval for all of the applications and the same were approved on motion by Trustee Shore, seconded by Trustee Ripken, with all Trustees voting in favor subject to all District encroachment standards now and hereafter in force.

8. Report of District Counsel

Tabled.

9. Capital Expenditure Projects

Tabled.

10. Ten Mile Levee Issues

Tabled.

11. New/Old Business

None.

12. Adjournment

The meeting was then adjourned. The next regular District meeting was scheduled to occur on Tuesday, May 21 2024, at 9:00 a.m. to be held at 3425 Brookside Road, Suite A, Stockton, CA 95219.

GEORGE HARTMANN, Assistant Secretary

Nelson Bahler, Trustee