

Yolo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District

Board Meeting
34274 State Highway 16
Woodland, CA 95695
Tuesday, February 6, 2018
7:00 P.M.

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AGENDA

- 7:00 1. Consideration: Adoption of the January 9, 2018 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- 7:02 2. Open forum (Limited to five minutes): Guest introductions, unscheduled appearances, opportunity for public comment on non-agenda items
- 7:07 3. Consideration: Adding Items to the Posted Agenda
In order to add an item to the agenda, it must fit one of the following categories:
a) A majority determination that an emergency (as defined by the Brown Act) exists; or
b) A 4/5ths determination that the need to take action that arose subsequent to the agenda being posted.
- 7:10 4. Report: Committee Assignments for 2018
- 7:15 5. Consideration: Nomination of Erik Vink to Yolo County Consolidated Redevelopment Oversight Board
- 7:20 6. Consideration: January and February Storm Events Damages Repair Update
- 7:25 7. Consideration: Temporary Stormwater Diversion Permit for Groundwater Recharge

- 7:30 8. Presentation: Indian Valley Reservoir and Hydroelectric Facility Current and Upcoming Projects
- 8:00 9. Presentation: 2017 Year-in-Review and 2018 Anticipated Activities
- 8:15 10. Presentation: Database for Tracking District Maintenance Activities
- 8:25 11. Directors' Reports: Report on meetings and conferences attended during the prior month on behalf of the District
- 8:30 12. Attorney's Report: Report on legal matters of concern to the District
- 8:35 13. General Manager's Report: Report regarding current general activities and projects of the District
- a) Operations, Maintenance, and Water Conditions
 - b) Financial Report
 - c) General Activities
 - d) Upcoming Events
- 8:55 14. General Discussion: Opportunity for clarification or additional information request
- 8:57 15. Consideration: Consider the approval and the payment of bills
- 9:00 16. Adjourn

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By: _____
Christina Cobey, Administrative Assistant



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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, February 6, 2018, 7:00 PM

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The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Yolo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (District) was held at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 6, 2018, at its regular place of business, 34274 State Highway 16, Woodland, California. Chair Kimball convened the meeting. The following people were in attendance:

District Board

Mary Kimball, Chair

Tom Barth

Ann Brice

Bruce Rominger

Erik Vink

District Staff

Tim O'Halloran, General Manager

Kristin Sicke, Assistant General Manager

Anthony Lopez, Facilities Supervisor

Ryan Bezerra, Legal Counsel

Members of the Public

Jim Barrett

Duane Chamberlain

Cork McIsaac

John McKean

Dave Pratt

Rob Roscoe

1. CONSIDERATION: Approval of Minutes

M/S/C approved the minutes of the January 9, 2018 regular Board meeting as submitted.

Ayes: Directors Barth, Brice, Kimball, and Rominger

Noes: None

Absent: Director Vink

Abstain: None

2. OPEN FORUM

There were no comments.

3. CONSIDERATION: Adding Items to the Posted Agenda

There were no changes made to the agenda.

4. REPORT: Board Committee Assignments for 2018

Chair Kimball reported that each year the Board's representation to various groups and committees are appointed by the District's Chair. The proposed 2018 appointments were reviewed, and General Manager O'Halloran reported that the only change from the 2017 appointments was the inclusion of the Yolo Subbasin Groundwater Agency position.

5. CONSIDERATION: Nomination of Erik Vink to Yolo County Consolidated Redevelopment Oversight Board

Chair Kimball opened the consideration item for nominating Erik Vink to the Yolo County Consolidated Redevelopment Oversight Board. General Manager O'Halloran reported background information about the dissolution of four redevelopment agencies for each city in Yolo County, and stated that the Yolo County Consolidated Redevelopment Oversight Board would oversee the dissolution and assure that the assets were properly distributed. O'Halloran reminded the Board that Erik Vink was currently serving on an existing city redevelopment successor agency oversight board and was considered an excellent candidate for the Yolo County Consolidated Redevelopment Oversight Board.

District staff recommended the Board nominate Erik Vink to the Yolo County Consolidated Redevelopment Oversight Board.

M/S/C nominated Erik Vink to the Yolo County Consolidated Redevelopment Oversight Board.

Ayes: Directors Barth, Brice, Kimball, Rominger and Vink

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

6. CONSIDERATION: January and February Storm Events Damages Repair Update

Assistant General Manager Sicke reported on the January and February 2017 storm events that impacted the District's infrastructure. Sicke provided the Board with an update on the reimbursement process and reported that all, but the Capay Dam Energy Dissipators Project had

been completed, which was on hold until further research could elucidate the necessity of the dissipators. Unfortunately, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has concluded that they would only reimburse about a quarter of the cost of infrastructure repairs, and this combined with the uncertainty in whether the dissipators are necessary, led District staff to conclude that it would be best to declare the damages from the January and February 2017 storm events complete.

M/S/C declared emergency conditions related to the January and February 2017 storm events damages recovery over and recognized all the emergency projects complete.

Ayes: Directors Barth, Brice, Kimball, Rominger, and Vink

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

7. CONSIDERATION: Temporary Stormwater Diversion Permit for Groundwater Recharge

Assistant General Manager Sicke provided an update on the temporary permit process for diverting stormwater for groundwater recharge. After consultation with the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Board), United States Bureau of Reclamation, and California Department of Fish and Wildlife and Department of Water Resources, the District submitted a temporary water right permit application on January 5, 2018 to the State Water Resources Control Board. The District received a temporary permit on January 31, 2018 to divert up to 72,000 acre-feet of excess flows at the Capay Diversion Dam; up to a rate of 600 cfs.

Sicke reported that diversions could not start until at least 100 cfs was in Cache Creek at the United States Geological Survey (USGS) Yolo gauge. Sicke discussed the permit conditions that require the District to quantify the groundwater extraction and use and determine that the extractions are from water stored by the District and not based on other claims of right.

Staff requested that the Board approve the proposed resolution to monitor groundwater use during the 2018 irrigation season and comply with permit conditions.

Director Rominger inquired whether the expedited temporary stormwater diversion program was going to be a permanent program and Sicke reported that the State Water Board seemed to be moving in the direction of having a permanent groundwater recharge permitting process.

Director Brice asked whether farmers were interested, and Director Rominger responded that yes, but only up until a certain date because the fields would need to have enough time to dry out.

M/S/C approved adoption of Resolution 18.01 to Monitor Groundwater Use During the 2018 Irrigation Season.

Ayes: Directors Barth, Brice, Kimball, Rominger, and Vink

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

8. PRESENTATION: Indian Valley Reservoir and Hydroelectric Facility Current and Upcoming Projects

General Manager O'Halloran opened the presentation on current and upcoming projects at the Indian Valley Reservoir stating that a variety of improvements were slated to occur in 2018, which require a large investment of staff time and District budget. He continued to report that some of the improvements were mandated by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Part 12D requirements and some were necessary maintenance or a result of the spillway incident at the Oroville Dam.

Facilities Supervisor Lopez continued to report on the FERC-related items and the necessary maintenance to the hydroelectric facility. He also discussed the planned upgrades to the Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system at Indian Valley Reservoir to updated protection controls and SCADA relays. Assistant General Manager Sicke reported on the inundation maps update, spillway condition assessment, and power contract negotiations at Indian Valley Reservoir. O'Halloran reported that the cost involved in the power contract negotiations was the opportunity cost from devoting staff time to the effort.

Lastly, O'Halloran stated that the campground at Indian Valley generally closes in November and opens in March; however, there may be an effort to define a formal District policy in the future.

9. PRESENTATION: 2017 Year-in-Review and 2018 Anticipated Activities

General Manager O'Halloran reviewed the District's 2017 activities discussing the impact of the above average water year to the irrigation system damage and recovery, the agricultural water sales, and the ability to recharge with storm water diversions. A highlight from 2017 was the creation of the Yolo Subbasin Groundwater Agency Joint Powers Authority and the start of developing the Yolo Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Plan (Yolo Subbasin GSP). In July 2017, the Moore Siphon ruptured causing an unexpected, short-term shutoff to the Moore system supply. The District managed pervasive aquatic weeds throughout the canal system. FERC-related activities were initiated, power contract negotiations at Indian Valley Reservoir occurred, maintenance activities were tracked, and the Yolo County Storm Water Resources Plan was developed.

O'Halloran announced key anticipated activities for 2018 such as the Indian Valley Reservoir and Hydroelectric Facilities improvements mentioned in the previous item. Additionally, a remodel to the Headquarters building, development of Standard Operating Procedures and administrative policies, development and adoption of an annual "water report", and continued development of the Yolo Subbasin GSP. He continued to state that District staff had started the permitting process for the Moore Siphon project and were getting an emergency plan in place should the siphon fail prior to repair.

Director Barth requested that staff continue to consider the off-stream storage opportunities on the west side of the County.

10. PRESENTATION: Database for Tracking District Maintenance Activities

General Manager O'Halloran quickly reviewed the history of maintenance tracking at the District, which was primarily done on individual computers or in binders, not organized in a user-friendly format, difficult to categorize, and not suitable for responding to maintenance inquiries. He reported that staff had been working on an enhanced tracking database to assist with prioritizing work, facilitating repairs, and encouraging communication across staff.

11. DIRECTORS' REPORTS

Director Barth reported on the Yolo County Board of Supervisors' meeting, which had an update from the Cache Creek Technical Advisory Committee. Director Brice reported on the Northern California Water Agency (NCWA) Board meeting where they prepared for NCWA's annual meeting on March 2, 2018.

12. ATTORNEY'S REPORTS

Legal Counsel Bezerra reviewed the details of SB 623, which included two fees to create a fund for disadvantaged communities: 1) fertilizer fee for farmers with liability protection, and 2) a tax on delivery of urban water. Governor Brown recently put this into the budget bill process, which would require a two-thirds vote to pass. Director Brice noted that NCWA was opposing SB 623 unless amended.

Bezerra also discussed the recent findings from the litigation in the City of Ventura, which concluded that pump charges are not subject to Proposition 218. Bezerra reminded the Board that the District has authority in the District Act to impose a pump charge if necessary.

13. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager O'Halloran provided reports on the following:

- a) Operations, Maintenance, and Water Conditions – The Water Conditions Report and hydrographs of real-time groundwater monitoring wells were reviewed.
- b) Financial Report Summary – Highlights from the January 31, 2018 financial statements report were reviewed and the actual FY 2017/2018 Budget was compared to the projected FY 2017/2018 Budget.

- c) General Activities – A list of outreach activities and projects both in-house and coordinating with other agencies was reviewed.
- d) The following upcoming events were announced:
 - 1. February 7: Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) Water Management Committee Meeting, Sacramento
 - 2. February 7: Yolo Subbasin Groundwater Agency (YSGA) Working Group Meeting, District Boardroom
 - 3. February 21: ACWA Groundwater Committee Meeting, Sacramento
 - 4. March 2: NCWA Annual Meeting, Chico
 - 5. March 7: YSGA Working Group Meeting, District Boardroom
 - 6. March 12: NCWA Groundwater Management Task Force Meeting, Oroville
 - 7. March 19: Water Resources Association of Yolo County (WRA)/YSGA Board of Directors’ Meeting, Woodland Community Center
 - 8. March 22-23: California Water Policy Conference, UC Davis
 - 9. May 8-11: ACWA Spring Conference, Sacramento

14. GENERAL DISCUSSION

There was no discussion.

15. CONSIDERATION: Payment of Bills

M/S/C approved the following claims for payment – Yolo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District Checks # 055113 – 055126.

Ayes: Directors Barth, Brice, Kimball, Rominger, and Vink

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

16. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Mary Kimball, Chair

ATTEST:

Tim O’Halloran, Secretary

