

Yolo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District

Board Meeting
Tuesday, June 2, 2020
7:00 P.M.

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AGENDA

- 7:00 1. Consideration: Adoption of the May 5, 2020 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. Consideration: Setting Public Hearing to Consider Increasing the Non-Agricultural Water Rate
- 7:30 5. Directors' Reports: Report on meetings and conferences attended during the prior month on behalf of the District
- 7:35 6. Attorney's Report: Report on legal matters of concern to the District
- 7:40 7. 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
- 8:00 8. General Discussion: Opportunity for clarification or additional information request
- 8:05 9. Consideration: Consider the approval and the payment of bills
- 8:10 10. Adjourn

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I declare that the foregoing agenda was posted at the office of the Yolo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District, 34274 State Highway 16, Woodland, CA on May 29, 2020.

By: _____
Christina Cobey, Administrative Assistant

YOLO COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: June 2, 2020

ITEM #: 1

SUBJECT: Consideration: Adoption of the May 5, 2020 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

INITIATED OR BOARD

COORDINATED OR

REQUESTED BY: STAFF

APPROVED BY: Tim O'Halloran

OTHER _____

ATTACHMENT YES NO

INFORMATION

DIRECTION

ACTION: MOTION

RESOLUTION

BACKGROUND:

Pursuant to Section 54957.5 of the Brown Act, copies of the draft minutes are available to the public at the Board meeting prior to their approval.

Staff request the Directors call the Yolo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District (District) office if a correction is needed to be made to the draft minutes to clarify a substantial point or to correct content. Staff will then have time to make the appropriate change(s) and submit the revised draft for review to the Board and the public at the Board meeting.

RECOMMENDATION:

District staff recommend the adoption of the attached minutes with any corrections.



Y O L O C O U N T Y

FLOOD CONTROL &
WATER CONSERVATION
DISTRICT

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, May 5, 2020, 7:00 PM

YCFC&WCD Offices
34274 State Highway 16
Woodland, CA 95695

Due to the COVID-19 threat and pursuant to the [Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 \(March 17, 2020\)](#), the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Yolo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District (District) was agendized to allow Board members, staff, and the public to participate in the meeting via teleconference. The meeting was held at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 5, 2020 remotely via GoToMeeting. Chair Mayer convened the meeting. The following people were remotely in attendance:

District Board

Jim Mayer, Chair
Tom Barth
Mary Kimball
Bruce Rominger
Erik Vink

District Staff

Tim O'Halloran, General Manager
Max Stevenson, Assistant General Manager
Kristin Sicke, Assistant General Manager
Ryan Bezerra, Legal Counsel

Members of the Public

Christy Barton
Doug Barton
Dave Pratt
Gordon Samuel
Jeanette Wrysinski

1. CONSIDERATION: Approval of Minutes

M/S/C approved the minutes of the April 7, 2020 regular Board meeting as submitted.

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

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

2. OPEN FORUM

Chair Mayer welcomed Gordon Samuel from Valley Clean Energy Alliance.

3. CONSIDERATION: Adding Items to the Posted Agenda

There were no changes made to the agenda.

4. CONSIDERATION: Power Purchase Agreement with Valley Clean Energy Alliance for Selling Power at Indian Valley Reservoir

Assistant General Manager Stevenson introduced Gordon Samuel, Assistant General Manager of Valley Clean Energy Alliance. Stevenson reviewed the terms of the proposed 5-year Power Purchase Agreement (Agreement) for selling power at Indian Valley Reservoir to Valley Clean Energy Alliance.

Director Rominger asked whether there were other external costs involved in maintaining the hydropower facility, other than the upcoming refurbishment.

Director Vink questioned whether staff expected any future costs in replacing the power lines or poles at Indian Valley Reservoir. Stevenson said that all poles have been replaced with steel, but that the large transformers may need replacement at some point.

Director Vink also inquired whether Legal Counsel had reviewed the Agreement requesting approval. Stevenson reported that since the new Agreement was so similar to the previous Agreement (which was reviewed by Ryan Bezerra) a review was not requested or conducted by Legal Counsel.

Staff recommend that General Manager O'Halloran be given authority to contract with the Valley Clean Energy Alliance for a Power Purchase Agreement from June 1, 2020 to May 31, 2025.

M/S/C authorized General Manager O'Halloran, or his designee, to enter into an Agreement with the Valley Clean Energy Alliance for a Power Purchase Agreement from June 1, 2020 to May 31, 2025.

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

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

5. CONSIDERATION: Adoption of Fiscal Year 2020/2021 District Budget

General Manager O'Halloran reviewed the proposed Budget for Fiscal Year (FY) 2020/2021, which began May 1, 2020. O'Halloran introduced the Budget as the District's planning and financial control document and highlighted the agricultural water rates as the primary driver, which were based on the rate schedule set in 2015.

O'Halloran reported the proposed FY 2020/2021 Budget was prepared by staff and reviewed and recommended by the Board's Finance Committee. O'Halloran detailed the primary difference between FY 2019/2020 and FY 2020/2021 (Budgets) by highlighting the special items of interest. Capital projects of priority for the FY 2020/2021 Budget include the Indian Valley Reservoir Spillway, Controls, and Hydroelectric Facility Enhancements, Cache Creek Dam Electrical Upgrade, and SBX7-7 Flow Measurement Accuracy Project. O'Halloran continued to list the major non-capital initiatives for FY 2020/2021 Budget, which include Lake County control renewals, SGMA implementation, floodSAFE Yolo 2.0, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Part 12D implementation, standard operating procedures development, Senate Bill (SB) 88 and SB X7-7 compliance, District annexations, right-of-way mapping, littoral water rights investigation, and annual water report development.

Director Kimball asked about the number of staff positions allotted for FY 2020/2021 and stressed the importance of investing in additional capacity for implementing District projects.

O'Halloran applauded staff efforts in preparing the District's FY 2020/2021 Budget.

District staff recommended adoption of the proposed Operations and Maintenance and Capital Budgets for FY 2020/2021.

M/S/C adopted FY 2020/2021 Operations and Maintenance and Capital District Budgets.

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

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

6. CONSIDERATION: Revising the Resolution Declaring the Covell Ditch Surplus Property

Assistant General Manager Sicke presented the revision of Resolution 20.02, which was adopted by the Board in February 2020. A map of the current District easements along the Covell Ditch was presented for Board review. A description of the District's easement over a portion of the Covell Ditch west of Highway 113 was added to the language originally included in Resolution 20.02. Sicke explained that Resolution 20.03 was meant to supersede Resolution 20.02 and allow for the District to quit claim all easements along the Covell Ditch.

Sicke relayed a comment received by Dave Pratt prior to the Board meeting: the full quit claim of all Covell Ditch easements is in the District's best interest. Staff and the Board of Directors concur with Mr. Pratt's sentiments and look forward to resolving the issue.

Sicke informed the Board that she was currently in the processing of negotiating with the City of Davis (City) to quit claim all remaining District easements along the Covell Ditch and was hoping the City would be amenable to receiving all sections.

Director Barth reminded staff of the potential to use the public abandonment process, if necessary.

Staff recommended the Board adopt Resolution 20.03 Declaring the Covell Ditch as Surplus Real Property and Authorizing Quit Claim to the City of Davis.

M/S/C adopted Resolution 20.03 Declaring the Covell Ditch as Surplus Real Property and Authorizing Quit Claim to the City of Davis.

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

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

7. PRESENTATION: Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) Update

Assistant General Manager Sicke provided the Board with an update on the Yolo Subbasin Groundwater Agency's efforts in developing the Yolo Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP). Sicke briefly reviewed the progress to-date on Water Budgets, Sustainability Management Criteria, and setting of the public workshops. The Yolo Subbasin GSP is due January 31, 2022.

8. DIRECTORS' REPORTS

Directors Barth and Vink reported they had participated in the Finance Committee meetings in April.

9. ATTORNEY'S REPORTS

Legal Counsel Bezerra briefly reported on the Department of Water Resources' California Endangered Species Act (CESA) Incidental Take Permit (ITP) for Long-Term Operation of the State Water Project in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, and how it conflicts with the federal operating rules for the State Water and Central Valley Projects.

10. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager O'Halloran provided reports on the following:

- a) Operations, Maintenance, and Water Conditions
- b) Financial Report Summary – Highlights from the April 30, 2020 financial statements report were quickly reviewed, and the actual FY 2019/2020 Budget was compared to the projected FY 2019/2020 Budget.

- c) General Activities – A list of outreach activities and projects both in-house and coordinated with other agencies was reviewed.
- d) The following upcoming events were announced:
 - 1. May 6: YSGA Working Group Meeting (via GoToMeeting)
 - 2. May 18: WRA/YSGA Executive Committee Meetings (via GoToMeeting)
 - 3. May 21, 28, and June 4, 18, and 25, 2020: Groundwater Resources Association of California’s Groundwater Shortcourse Event (via Zoom)
 - 4. July 28-31: ACWA 2020 “Spring” Conference (Monterey)

11. GENERAL DISCUSSION

There was no general discussion.

12. CONSIDERATION: Payment of Bills

M/S/C approved the following claims for payment – Yolo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District Checks # 058375–058390.

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

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

13. ADJOURNMENT

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

Jim Mayer, Chair

ATTEST:

Tim O’Halloran, Secretary

YOLO COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: June 2, 2020

ITEM #: 4

SUBJECT: Consideration: Setting Public Hearing to Consider Increasing the Non-Agricultural Water Rate

INITIATED OR BOARD
REQUESTED BY: STAFF
 OTHER _____

COORDINATED OR
PREPARED BY: Kristin Sicke
APPROVED BY: Tim O'Halloran

ATTACHMENT YES NO
 DIRECTION

INFORMATION
 ACTION: MOTION
 RESOLUTION

BACKGROUND:

The District levies rates for agricultural and non-agricultural water service provided to its customers. The rates reflect the District's cost to provide water, including the costs of: 1) operations and maintenance; 2) construction, acquisition, improvement, repair, and replacement of water systems facilities; 3) acquisition of equipment, materials, and supplies; and 4) labor and administrative costs.

In 2015, the District Board adopted an agricultural rate schedule that sets rates based on total water in storage on April 1st. That rate schedule determined 2020 rates; however, generally, the non-agricultural rate is considered annually. The agricultural water rate increased about 23% this irrigation season. The last increase of the non-agricultural water rate occurred in 2016.

The District currently has 16 municipal and industrial customers in Lake County that receive non-agricultural water service under a Water User Agreement (see the table on page 11). Additionally, the District provides non-agricultural water to golf courses, a gun club, and truck services in Yolo County, and truck services and two schools in Lake County (not currently under contracts).

Attached is a draft notice for the non-agricultural customers that will notify them of the Board's consideration of a rate increase of up to 5%, which would be from the current rate of \$65.94 to \$69.24 per acre foot.

Lake County M&I Water User Agreement Customers

1. California Water Service Company
2. Clear Water Mutual Water Company
3. Clearlake Lakewood Resort
4. Clearlake Oaks County Water District
5. Golden State Water Company
6. Harbor View Mutual Water Company
7. Highland Water Company
8. Konocti County Water District
9. Lake County Flood Control & Water Conservation District – Highland Springs
10. Lake County Flood Control & Water Conservation District – Kelsey Creek
11. Lake County Service Area #20 – Soda Bay
12. Lake County Service Area #20 – Lakeport
13. City of Lakeport
14. Lower Lake County Waterworks
15. Mt. Konocti Mutual Water Company
16. Nice Mutual Water District

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board set a public hearing for 7:10 pm on Tuesday, August 4, 2020, to take public comments and consider increasing the Non-Agricultural Water Rate up to 5% (from \$65.94 to \$69.24 per acre-foot).



YOLO COUNTY
 FLOOD CONTROL &
 WATER CONSERVATION
 DISTRICT

June 3, 2020

Re: Proposed New Non-Agricultural Water Rate

At the Yolo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District (District) Board of Directors' meeting on June 2, 2020, the District set a public hearing for considering a new non-agricultural water service rate. The public hearing is scheduled for August 4, 2020.

If approved, the effective date for the new non-agricultural rate will be **September 1, 2020**.

<u>Water Use Category</u>	<u>Water Rate</u>
Measured Non-Agricultural	\$ 69.24 per acre-foot

Please consider this letter as the required 30-day written notice for rate increases as discussed in your water user agreement.

If you have questions, please call. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Tim O'Halloran
 General Manager



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