

TEHAMA COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT MINUTES OF JUNE 26, 2001

Present: Chairperson Barbara McIver, Directors': Russell, Borrer, Turner. Absent: Director Willard. Also present: Ernie Ohlin, Water Resources Manager, Mark Moses Asst. Director-Admin. Public Works; Gary Plunkett Director of Public Works; Serge Birk Chairman of the AB3030 TAC.

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Chairperson McIver at 8:00 A.M.
2. **Approval of May 22, 2001 Minutes:** Motion by Director Turner and second by Director Borrer to approve the minutes as presented. Carried 4-0 with 1 absent.

3. **Public Comment:**

William Payer of Corning distributed information regarding drainage concerns in the Chase Avenue and Woodson Avenue area. He questioned current status studies and letters to residents informing them of meetings to be held.

Chairperson McIver commented that Staff would have to discuss correspondence in progress with the District Director stated that a response will be forthcoming to previous and today's requests in a timely manner.

Director Turner confirmed he and staff have been addressing Mr. Payer's issues on a regular basis.

Ernie Ohlin added that staff is in the process of reviewing past correspondence from Mr. Payer. Director Plunkett did send correspondence to Mr. Payer assuring him that staff was in the process of reviewing the issue. Additionally, Staff and Road Department District Foreman, Loyd Spencer, has field reviewed each of the eleven areas of concern regarding drainage issues in the Chase Avenue area as pointed out in correspondence by Mr. Payer. Staff has also met with other area residents to gather additional drainage information.

Ernie Ohlin stated that the majority of Mr. Payer's concerns fall within the road right of way and are under the jurisdiction of the Public Works Road Department and relate to Ordinance 608 which is administered by the Board of Supervisors.

Chairperson McIver requested Mr. Payer be kept informed of the progress made to date relative to the drainage issues of concern. Issues pertaining to Ordinance 608 and the Grading Ordinance need to be presented to the Board of Supervisors and Mr. Payer should be informed when that meeting will be held. Chairperson McIver expressed appreciation to Director Turner and the Water Resources Manager Ernie Ohlin for the work completed to date relative to this matter.

4. **Claims:**

Barbara Mclver	25.00
Charles Willard	25.00
George Russell	25.00
Ross Turner	25.00
Bill Borrer	25.00
Water Education Fndtn (Educational Material)	14.25
Gate Repair for Creek Levee	101.64
Loyd Spencer(disking China Slough Grant)	200.00
Ernie Ohlin (Expenses 3/28 - 6/16/01)	396.35
T.C. Public Works (Aug 2000 Fund 603)	645.54
T.C. Public Works (Aug 2000 Fund 604)	132.07
T.C. Public Works (March Fund 603)	1,766.04
T.C. Public Works (March Fund 604)	309.37
T.C. Public Works (April Fund 603)	1,533.92
T.C. Public Works (April Fund 604)	107.36
T.C. Public Works (May Fund 603)	1,063.14
T.C. Public Works (May Fund 604)	1,734.38

TOTAL **\$8,129.06**

Motion by Director Borrer and second by Director Russell to approve the claims of \$8,129.06. Carried 4-0 with 1 absent.

5. **Budget Transfer Fund 603:** Motion by Director Russell and second by Director Borrer to approve the transfer. Carried 4-0 with 1 absent.

6. **AB303 Grant Award:** Ernie Ohlin announced the informal award of the \$190,000 grant for a countywide water inventory/analysis. Out of the 64 applications, 24 were recommended for funding in the amount of \$5 million. It is reported that DWR will have the contracts prepared for Board approval with two to three months.

A subcommittee has been established by the AB3030 TAC Committee to review the recently completed Butte County Water Inventory and Analysis Document. The subcommittee will provide input to staff on how to improve on this document as it relates to Tehama County's need regarding inventory and analysis of water supply and future demand.

Director Russell thanked staff for preparation and success of this grant application.

7. **AB3030 Technical Advisory Committee - Update:** Serge Birk, Chairman of the TAC, stated the membership intends to take a pro-active posture to take actions and respond to needs of the community and long-term water issues in the County.

Greater outreach efforts are being proposed by the committee. The Farm Bureau, Chamber of Commerce and Irrigation District Boards will be informed of AB3030 TAC meetings and kept updated on various issues discussed.

Director Turner suggested sending information to the Red Bluff, Corning and Los Molinos Chamber of Commerce in the County and also the Grange.

Serge Birk also discussed the surface water users are not represented in the TAC. After further discussion by the TAC, this issue will possibly be brought back to the Board of Directors for consideration.

TAC member Bill Richardson is currently reviewing the 10,000 ± historic well logs for pertinent

information. He is also coordinating his efforts with the Northern District DWR staff.

Director Russell acknowledged the success of the grant application efforts and recommended the public be informed when official confirmation is received from DWR.

8. **Deer Creek Levee-Status of Funding**: Ernie Ohlin stated that this issue has been ongoing for three years. Pete Rabbon, General Manager of the State Reclamation Board, has contacted the Corps of Engineers and Congressman Ose's office to arrange a meeting in an effort to resolve the Corps denial of the District request for PL84-99 Funding on Deer Creek. Staff has delivered a complete packet to Congressman Ose's office and will meet with them today to review the issue.
9. **Resolution in Support of Agreement - Phase 8 Issues**: Bill Borrer asked this item be withdrawn and agendaized for the July meeting.

Chairperson McIver asked that a summary of Phase 8 issues be attached for reference.

10. **RCRC Protest of Westlands Water District Water Rights Application**: With Director Willard's absence, Director Borrer commented that RCRC has filed a lawsuit protesting Westlands application on the grounds that the water would not be used in a public interest and on environmental issues.
11. **Calfed Update**: Ernie Ohlin stated \$80 million is still in the State budget for Calfed. Calfed is also holding meetings regarding appropriate measurement which will provide guidance to define appropriate measurement as it relates to surface and groundwater usage. The Calfed Record of Decision states that Calfed agencies will work with the California Legislature to develop legislation for introduction and enactment in the 2003 Legislative session requiring the appropriate measurement of all waters of the State of California. Staff will continue to update the Directors as this issue moves forward.

Serge Birk stated that the Bay-Delta Advisory (BDAC) Group is no longer meeting. A new governance committee is being formed and should soon be approved by the Secretary of Interior and the Resources Secretary.

12. Adjourn: With no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:10 A.M.