



Y O L O C O U N T Y

FLOOD CONTROL &
WATER CONSERVATION
DISTRICT

BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, April 2, 2024, 7:00 PM

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

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Yolo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District (District) was held at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 2, 2024 at its regular place of business, 34274 State Highway 16, Woodland, California. Chair Mayer convened the meeting. The following people were in attendance:

District Board

Jim Mayer
Shane Tucker
Tom Barth
Mary Kimball
Erik Vink

District Staff

Kristin Sicke, General Manager
Andrew Ramos, Legal Counsel

Members of the Public

James Barrett
Jeff Boian, Morrison & Co.
Duane Chamberlain
Blake Harlan
Wes Henderson
Geoff Klein
Rod Scheaffer
Lee Smith

1. CONSIDERATION: Approval of Minutes

24.12 M/S/C approved the minutes of the March 5, 2024 Regular Board meeting.

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

Noes: None

Absent: None

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. CONSIDERATION: January 2023 Storm Events Emergency Canal Repairs

General Manager Sicke reviewed the events at the March 7, 2023 Board meeting, where the Board adopted Resolution No. 23.05 Declaring Emergency Conditions from the December 2022 and January 2023 Storm Events. Sicke reported that during the month of March, District staff continued to work with FEMA to provide documentation for reimbursement of funding expenses related to storm damages. All canal system improvements were completed by the end of November 2023, and the outstanding project is the erosion along Cache Creek near the West Adams Canal heading.

Sicke recommended that the Board continue to declare emergency conditions related to the January 2023 Storm Events and Emergency Canal Repairs projects.

24.13 M/S/C continued the Emergency Declaration from damages incurred during the January 2023 Storm Events.

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

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

5. PRESENTATION: Strategic Planning Initiative

General Manager Sicke introduced Jeff Boian with Morrison & Company who is currently assisting the District with initiating a strategic planning initiative. Boian provided background information about his relevant expertise and outlined the steps and schedule involved in developing a strategic plan for the District.

Chair Mayer stressed the need for the District to focus the strategic plan around critical infrastructure investments and groundwater recharge efforts.

Director Barth suggested the strategic planning initiative could potentially consider one of the concerns that the Farmers' Council has raised related to Board representation. Additionally, if it's aligned, the initiative could potentially consider re-naming or re-branding the District and re-evaluating the groundwater cap that's currently in the District Act.

After robust discussion with Boian and the Directors, it was requested that General Manager Sicke work with Boian and the Strategic Plan Committee to design a more specific scope of work, setting the right priorities and leaving room for scalability.

Chair Mayer thanked Boian for his time in presenting to the Board.

6. PRESENTATION: Yolo Subbasin Groundwater Agency (YSGA) Update

General Manager Sicke provided an update on the YSGA's March Board of Directors meeting, where the YSGA Board reviewed and adopted the well permit review procedures. The adopted well permit review procedures consist of a 2-tiered process to evaluate whether a hydrogeology report is necessary in the Focus Areas as part of complying with the Governor's Executive Orders ([N-7-22](#) and [N-3-23](#)) for well permitting. Additionally, Sicke presented information from the YSGA's 2024 Annual Report, submitted to DWR on April 1 and available on the YSGA's website: <https://yologroundwater.specialdistrict.org/files/187dcedb7/Annual+Report+2024+FINA+L.pdf>.

7. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Directors Kimball and Mayer reported on participating in the Strategic Plan Committee meeting with Sicke and Boian on March 14. Directors Barth and Tucker reported on participating in the YSGA Board of Directors meeting on March 18, and the Clear Lake Water Users Agreement Committee meeting on March 19. Chair Mayer reported on participating in NCWA's Groundwater Management Task Force meeting on March 11 where DWR provided an update on their zero-tolerance approach to land subsidence.

8. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager Sicke provided reports on the following:

- a) Operations, Maintenance, and Water Conditions
- b) Financial Report Summary – Highlights from the March 31, 2024 Financial Statements Report were reviewed along with the preliminary projection of the end of FY 2023/2024 Budget.
- c) Capital Improvement Program – An update on the planning activities related to capital projects was provided.
- d) General Activities – A list of outreach activities and projects (in-house and coordinated with other agencies) was reviewed.

- e) The following upcoming events were announced:
1. Meeting with Paradise Valley Developers (CSA 16 extension) (April 4)
 2. YSGA: Executive Committee Meeting (April 4)
 3. ACWA AB 2079 Workgroup Meeting (April 8)
 4. Yolo County Board of Supervisors: Well Permit Discussion (April 9)
 5. ACWA State Legislative Committee Workshop (April 10)
 6. GRA North Sac Valley Branch Meeting (April 11)
 7. NCWA Manager's Meeting (April 12)
 8. PPIC Focus Group Discussion with NCWA (April 16)
 9. Meeting with Assemblymember Aguiar-Curry (April 17)
 10. GRA Legislative Symposium (April 18)
 11. NCWA Sac Valley Earth Day BBQ (April 22)
 12. State Water Board's Workshop on Proposed Voluntary Agreements (April 24-26)
 13. ACWA Spring 2024 Conference (May 7-9)
 14. GRA/ACWA SGMA Implementation Workshop (June 5-6)

9. GENERAL DISCUSSION

There was no general discussion.

10. CONSIDERATION: Payment of Bills

24.14 M/S/C approved the following claims for payment – Yolo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District Checks # 63362-63378.

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

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

11. CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session conference with real property negotiators with real property negotiators pursuant to Government Code §54956.8

Property: Long-Term Water Supply Agreements with Clear Lake Diverters

Agency negotiators: Kristin Sicke, Jim Mayer, Tom Barth, Shane Tucker

Negotiating parties: California Water Service Company, City of Lakeport, Clear Water Mutual Water Company, Clearlake Lakewood Resort, Clearlake Oaks County Water District, Golden State Water Company, Harbor View Mutual Water Company, Highlands Water Company, Konocti County Water District, Lake County CSA No. 2, Lake County CSA No. 20, Lake County CSA No. 21, Lake County Watershed Protection District, Lake County Sanitation

District, Lower Lake Cemetery District, Lower Lake County Waterworks District No. 1, Mt. Konocti Mutual Water Company, Nice Mutual Water Company, Rodman Ranch, Sanam LLC

Under negotiation: price and terms of payment

Closed Session Report: Chair Mayer reported that the Directors, General Manager Sicke, and Legal Counsel Ramos participated in the closed session item and that there was nothing to report.


12. CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session conference with legal counsel for existing administrative proceeding and anticipated litigation/significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code § 54956.9, subsections (d)(1) and (d)(2) – State Water Resources Control Board Bay-Delta Plan update proceeding.

Closed Session Report: Chair Mayer reported that the Directors, General Manager Sicke, and Legal Counsel Ramos participated in the closed session item and that there was nothing to report.


13. ADJOURNMENT

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



Jim Mayer, Chair

ATTEST:



Kristin Sicke, Secretary

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