

FLOOD CONTROL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

# BOARD MEETING MINUTES Tuesday, August 6, 2024, 7:00 PM

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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, August 6, 2024 at its regular place of business, 34274 State Highway 16, Woodland, California. Chair Mayer convened the meeting. The following people were in attendance:

<u>District Board</u> Jim Mayer, Chair Shane Tucker Tom Barth Erik Vink

<u>District Staff</u> Kristin Sicke, General Manager Erik Cadaret, Assistant General Manager Ryan Bezerra, Legal Counsel (closed session via teleconference)

Members of the Public Jim Barrett Duane Chamberlain Lynne Haralson Lee Smith

### 1. CONSIDERATION: Approval of Minutes

24.31 M/S/C approved the minutes of the July 9, 2024 Regular Board meeting minutes.

Ayes: Directors Barth, Mayer, Tucker, Vink

Noes: None Absent: Director Kimball Abstain: None

#### 2. OPEN FORUM

Duane Chamberlain inquired about the District's involvement in weed control along the County's roadside ditches because the ditches on County Road 29 near his property need cleaning. Sicke confirmed the District is assisting the County in spraying and cleaning the roadside ditches at the end of the irrigation season, and Sicke informed Chamberlain that O&M Supervisor Espinoza would call him with additional details.

# 3. CONSIDERATION: Adding Items to the Posted Agenda

There were no changes made to the agenda.

# 4. <u>CONSIDERATION: Adopt Resolution 24.05 Requesting Collection of Charges on Tax</u> <u>Roll</u>

General Manager Sicke reported that the District places the following Regular Special Assessments on the Yolo County (County) property tax roll annually:

- 1. East Adams Area Assessment District (Tax Area Code 54620)
- 2. Hungry Hollow Area Assessment District (Tax Area Code 54621)
- 3. 2012 Annexation Special Assessment District (Tax Area Code 54623)
- 4. 2020 Annexation Special Assessment District (Tax Area Code 54624)
- 5. 2023 Special Benefit Assessment District (Tax Area Code 54625)

As part of the Special Assessments' process, the County is requesting the Board adopt a formal resolution that acknowledges the collection of these charges on the County's property tax roll for 2024/2025.

24.32 M/S/C adopted Resolution 24.05 Requesting Collection of Charges on County Tax Roll.

Ayes: Directors Barth, Mayer, Tucker, and Vink Noes: None Absent: Director Kimball

Abstain: None

## 5. PRESENTATION: YSGA Update

General Manager Kristin Sicke and Assistant General Manager Erik Cadaret presented updates on the YSGA SGMA Implementation Grant funding projects. Directors asked clarifying questions related to the projects and data involved.

#### 6. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Directors Tucker and Barth reported on attending the YSGA's July Board of Directors meeting and a District committee meeting to discuss the contract with the Geysers and LACOSAN. Barth also reported on connecting with the facilitator for the Hungry Hollow Groundwater Working Group. Director Vink had nothing to report. Chair Mayer reported on participating in the District's strategic planning committee meeting and a NCWA Board meeting.

### 7. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager Sicke provided reports on the following:

- a) Operations, Maintenance, and Water Conditions An update on the 2024 water conditions and July water sales.
- b) Financial Report Summary Highlights from the July 2024 Financial Statements Report were briefly reviewed.
- c) Capital Improvement Program A brief 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. ACWA State Legislative Committee Meetings (August 9 and 28)
  - 2. YSGA: China Slough Rehab. Project Landowner Meetings (August 13 and 27)
  - 3. Hungry Hollow Groundwater Committee Meeting (August 19)
  - 4. YSGA Executive Committee Meeting (August 21)
  - 5. UCD Law Symposium: SGMA Implementation (September 6)
  - 6. Yolo Land Trust: A Day in the Country (September 8)
  - 7. NCWA Groundwater Management Task Force Meeting (September 9)
  - 8. Yolo County Financial Oversight Committee Meeting (September 12)
  - 9. ACWA SGMA Implementation Subcommittee Meeting (September 12)
  - 10. YSGA Board of Directors Meeting (September 16)
  - 11. Bucks for Ducks (September 29)

#### 8. GENERAL DISCUSSION

Director Tucker inquired whether there were any updates on the FERC inspections related to the <u>Part 12D Comprehensive Assessment</u>. General Manager Sicke reported that discussions with FERC included repair or replacement of Indian Valley Dam's 60" Hollow Jet Valve, which is the low-level outlet works that regulates outflow from the reservoir. Additionally, the FERC Part 12D Comprehensive Assessment workshops have resulted in hundreds of potential failure modes that will be prioritized by risk and the financial impact will be evaluated and presented to the Board at a later meeting.

Lee Smith requested the District share a high-level summary of the proposed <u>Sacramento/Bay-Delta Update to the Bay-Delta Plan</u> and the District's alternative solution for the <u>Healthy Rivers</u>

and Landscapes Program. Chair Mayer and Sicke provided a high-level overview of what has recently transpired with the Bay-Delta Plan amendments and the District's proposal to recharge winter water and provide flow contributions to Putah Creek for the benefit of salmon restoration.

Duane Chamberlain commented how measuring standing water levels in groundwater wells is not consistent with determining how the aquifer reacts to pump operations. Sicke agreed with Chamberlain and requested that Assistant General Manager Cadaret follow up with Chamberlain to learn more about any available operational data.

# 9. CONSIDERATION: Payment of Bills

24.33 M/S/C approved the following claims for payment – Yolo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District Checks # 63813-63829.

Ayes: Directors Barth, Mayer, Tucker, and Vink Noes: None Absent: Director Kimball Abstain: None

## 10. CLOSED SESSION: Bay-Delta

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, Assistant General Manager Cadaret, and Legal Counsel Bezerra participated in the closed session item and that there was nothing to report.

## 11. ADJOURNMENT

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

Jim Mayer, Chain

ATTEST: Kristin Sicke, S ecretar

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