

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
NORTH YUBA WATER DISTRICT

Held at the District Office

8691 LaPorte Road, Brownsville

Thursday, February 23, 2017

A. ROLL CALL

President Donald Forguson called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM at the District Office in Brownsville, CA. The recording secretary called the roll.

	<i>PRESENT</i>	<i>ABSENT</i>	<i>VISITORS</i>
<i>DIRECTORS</i>	President Donald Forguson Vice President Eric Hansard Director Doug Neilson Director Terry Brown Director Gary Hawthorne		11 Visitors Jenny Cavaliere Roseann Martin Darlene Kearns
<i>GENERAL MANAGER</i>	Jeff Maupin		

ACTION ITEMS

B. CONSENT ITEMS:

1. Approval of **Minutes for Regular Board Meeting of January 26, 2017**
2. Approval of **Minutes for Special Board Meeting of January 20, 2017**
3. Approval of **Payroll for the Month of January 2017-\$ 32,773.97**
4. Approval of **Bills for the Month of January 2017- \$ 126,172.62**

Director Hawthorne made a motion that the board approve Consent Items 1-2. Director Neilson seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Vice President Hansard made a motion that the board approve Consent Items 3-4. Director Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Discussion: Director Brown and Manager Maupin had a brief discussion about the cost of the robocalls.

C. FINANCIAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Financial Manager, Heidi Naether, reviewed Cash on Hand and Income Statements for the period ending January 31, 2017.

She reported as of January 31, 2017, the total cash on hand was \$2,092,716.51.

Reserve account balances were \$278,342.51 and \$108,259.74 was set aside for the Forbestown Tank.

She reported the grand total in all accounts was \$2,479,318.76.

The total income to date was \$919,718.49, total expenses to date were \$1,182,348.67, leaving a net loss of \$262,630.18.

Ms. Naether noted the district is over budget because of unbudgeted legal fees and an aluminum study, costs for the New York House Bridge and engineering fees. She said with the delay of debt payment, we will catch up.

President Forguson wanted to know the timeline for the New York House Bridge and Mr. Maupin said the county has no hard date set yet.

Director Hawthorne made a motion that the board approve the financial manager's report as presented. Vice President Hansard seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

D. PREAPPROVED FUNDING FOR EMERGENCY WORK

General Manager Maupin said after the bill for emergency repairs to the Forbestown Ditch from the first breach were paid, over half of the funds were left. Currently additional funds are needed to address the second breach. Engineers have presented a solution of piping and a French drain. The proposal for engineering and construction are about \$83,000.00. Mr. Maupin requested an additional \$100,000.00. President Forguson confirmed the funds would come from reserves. Vice President Hansard confirmed the funds would only be used to deal with the second breach or unless another emergency occurred. In case of repair emergencies, Mr. Maupin would go straight to the engineer and construction team for immediate solutions and inform the board by phone. Mr. Maupin said the drain installation should be finished by Monday, February 27, 2017, if the weather did not interfere.

Vice President Hansard made a motion that Mr. Maupin would set aside an additional \$100,000.00 from reserves to pay for current and future emergency repairs to the ditch. Director Hawthorne seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

DISCUSSION/REPORTS

E. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager Maupin discussed the following:

1. Proposition 1 Technical Assistance - Mr. Maupin provided a synopsis from the California Water Board for potential grant assistance for the replacement of the Challenge Tank. Other possible projects discussed include a leak detection system, replacing the meter system and master planning along with a hydraulic model. Possible base maps could be created using the existing county maps. A grant might also pay for installing baffling at the treatment plant to increase its detention time for chlorine contact.
2. An Operations Memorandum was submitted to Mr. Maupin by district staff to report reactive and proactive work done during the month throughout the district. Various projects and repairs related to issues caused by wet weather were discussed by Board members and Mr. Maupin. A grant was submitted to apply for free laborers to help with the weather caused landslides.

F. DIRECTORS' INPUT

President Forguson read the rules for Director's input.

Director Hawthorne wanted to know the results of the research into prisoner work crews and possible organic weed killers. Mr. Maupin found that the work crews are not free and would also have to be provided with all of the equipment needed for the job. He is putting together the total cost of the labor, chippers and other equipment required to manually weed the entire ditch. Director Brown suggested if it was much more expensive than herbicide, the cost should be passed on to the customer. The customers who are satisfied with an herbicide should not share the cost of manual weeding. Mr. Maupin said the attorney may need to be brought in to draft a contract for any individual who requested alternatives to herbicides.

Director Hawthorne informed the board that he, President Forguson and General Manager Maupin had attended North Yuba Grown the previous night. With only two board members in attendance a quorum was avoided. He reported a successful event with good community interaction. They were able to answer all constituents' questions. He is looking forward to planning more outreach meetings for the board to interact with the community.

Members of the board discussed planning a community meeting at the Ponderosa Center. The directors would actively reach out to members of the community to discover what their constituents would like to have discussed.

Director Hawthorne proposed that the board agendaize the Ponderosa Center community meeting to set a date and plan the meeting. Each board member informally agreed and the motion passed by general consent.

G. PUBLIC INPUT

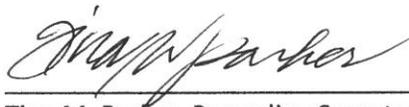
President Ferguson read the rules for public input. Members of the public commented.

A member of the public said organic farmers cannot allow roundup as it affects their organic status. She doesn't want the North Yuba Water District to spray roundup anywhere as it drifts from one property to the next. She also commented on irrigation issues from the previous year. A member of the public had a question about the borders of some divisions. A member of the public has a catalogue of organic sprays she will bring to the district office. A member of the public said the district should pay the cost of manual labor to weed the ditch and it shouldn't be passed on to customers.

H. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, **Director Neilson made a motion that the board adjourn. Vice President Hansard seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.** The meeting was adjourned at 5:47 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Tina M. Parker, Recording Secretary