

BRADFORD RECLAMATION DISTRICT 2059
Meeting Minutes
For an EMERGENCY Meeting of the Board of Trustees
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2021, at 2:00 P.M. (P.S.T.)
VIRTUAL MEETING

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Board President: Rob Davies – Present
Trustees: Bill Hall – Present
Kevin Finta – Present
Smith Cunningham – Present
Charles Louie – Present

Present: Engineer Blake Johnson, District Manager Angelia Tant, landowner Michael Gonce. Scott Diamond. 510-367-4799, 925-998-2439, 415-855-5272, 510-910-5491, and 925-766-5074

2:00 P.M. The meeting was called to order at 2 PM and a quorum was established.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS –

There was a request for public comments and Landowner Scott Diamond made a comment that his friend had a source on where to purchase used pipe. Scott inquired with the District Engineer on if he had enough time to call and get pricing. The response was yes. Landowner Michael Gonce gave some of the pricing figures that he obtained as well from other distributors. Blake expressed that they needed approximately 170 feet of HDPE pipe to complete the project. Landowner Michael Gonce inquired on if the Dredgers from the Port would be able to provide any pipe for the District. Blake expressed that he left some calls and to date, had not heard back from them.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

D.1 EMERGENCY – FIRE STATUS:

- a. Status Report on Existing Pumps/Motors – covered at the 12/16/2021 Board Meeting
- b. Contract with Independent Power for temporary wiring from motor of 100hp pump to generator: \$3,400 – covered at the 12/16/2021 Board Meeting
- c. Install new piping to one or both pumps – The purpose of the 12/17/2021 emergency Board Meeting was to see if there was better pricing on the pipe required to complete the project. Blake provided some historical information to the Board of Trustees on where they obtained the information from to get the approximate lengths and sizes of the pipe that was required. Blake reported that they matched what was out there to get the length to weld them together. There are three (3) quotes outlined for the pipe:
 1. R&B \$60ft for 20” and \$80 for 24” price
 2. ISCO JM Eagle Pipe \$44.34 20” and \$63.84 for 24” pipe – They have both pipe and elbows, coming out of Texas or Arizona. Their shipping rate is a little more than the other quotes.
 3. WL Plastic \$52.20 for 20” and \$75.16 for 24” pipe

Trustee Louie expressed that JM Eagle Pipe were going to have to order from out of Texas. Blake responded that they would have to order out of both locations to obtain the length we needed and there would be an additional \$6,500.00 freight charge by JM Eagle Pipe.

Blake expressed that there is a tossup between ISCO and WL plastic. Both distributors expressed that the pipe would arrive in a few days after being ordered. Trustee Louie inquired on who the contractor was going to be. The District Engineer responded with his recommendation being CES. Trustee Louie inquired on if the project had enough time to go out for bid. The response was by Blake that it would be difficult to do due to the upcoming Holidays. The quote to install a District purchased pipe would be approximately \$47,000 with the district purchasing their own pipe. Trustee Louie expressed that he saw the weather forecast and saw that the foreseen weather was going to be wet. Blake expressed that the district would potentially receive the pipe on December 27, 2021 and expressed that CES would be ready to install the pipe. Blake expressed the fact that Angelia and himself discussed the Fire Budget and the income vs. expenses and outlined that we are in good shape still with the fire funds to get this project completed.

Trustee Louie commented that if CES was aware that this project was going out to bid, that they may give us a discount. Blake went over the different scenarios of having to go out for an RFP, meeting with the contractors out on the island to go over the scope of work, and the potential of the contractors being booked out and not being available. Blake also expressed that if we took too long to follow through with the project that CES may book another job and not be available. Blake expressed that CES would tack on a markup fee on the pipe.

Trustee Finta inquired on what the original bid quote was from CES vs the new quote provided, if the district purchases the pipe on their own. There was an additional question regarding paying prevailing wages for this project. Blake expressed that all staff would be paid prevailing wages due to this being a Public Agency. Trustee Finta expressed that the Board of Trustees would need to take all of the factors into this project. Blake expressed that the district would be paying for the pump rental, CES, and other costs until a lower bid or a new bid was obtained and expressed that this could take several weeks. There is mention of the need to get the island de watered.

Trustee Cunningham expressed that it seems to be getting into better alignment however he felt that it still was not where he thought it should be. Trustee Cunningham outlined his recollection of where the existing pipe was buried and where they could potentially tie in and weld onto the pre exiting. The Engineer expressed that some excavating would have to take place and the fact that some of the levee would have to be dug into.

Trustee Davies expressed that there needed to be caution with the contractor conducting change work orders. Blake expressed that he felt comfortable with this contractor and expressed that he had worked with this contractor throughout the fire and feels that they have not tried to cheat or gouge the district. Trustee Cunningham inquired on if there were any other contractors that Blake spoke with to do this job. The

response from Blake was no and if we did go out for bids, they potentially wouldn't be in until potentially January 10, 2022.

Landowner Scott Diamond expressed that the Board should seriously consider Blake's suggestion and he personally felt that this entire project could be set back with the contractor not being available when all is said and done. Scott expressed that contractor does not stay on standby while you run out and obtain other bids and he feels that this project is not a high dollar amount. Scott also makes mention of the need to get the island de watered. President Davies recommended installing both pipes at the same time.

The District Manager addressed the newest Trustee's concern for transparency and outline historical procedures of the Board going out to bid. The District Manager outlined that the District Engineer would DRAFT an RFP, set a deadline for the return of the RFP a week or more out, receive the bids in, setup a meeting on site to go over the scope of work and then review the bids. It is further expressed that this is an emergency.

Landowner Scott Diamond feels that the District should just move forward with the project and get this done. He would like to see the water off of the island and expressed that the gamble that he sees Trustee Louie asking for the board to take is a risk. Scott Diamond expressed that he is a contractor and the fact that there are a lot of people that do not want to work at this time.

Blake expressed that he would begin making calls tonight and he would put a date of December 28th, 2021 to have some new bids or no new bids to come in deadline. If there was to be a lower bidder than CES, then Blake will call another board meeting to go over the bid.

There is a 1st motion on the floor M/S/P by Davies/Finta/Louie/Cunningham by with all in favor and zero opposed to order the pipe.

There was a discussion for an option to allow for CES to do the job if they came in as the lowest bidder. There was to be no other meeting required if the CES bid was the lowest. Blake would make phone calls to obtain bids and if there were no lower bidders by December 28, 2021 then they will use CES as the contractor. Trustee Finta interjected and felt that the board needed to move forward with the original motion of just getting the job done.

The original motion to use CES was placed back on the floor and the vote was carried as followed. However, Blake will move forward in obtaining two (2) bids to comply with the requests for transparency.

M/S/P by Finta/Hall/Davies with two (2) opposed (No) by Cunningham/Louie
The motion is carried by the majority vote.

c. Status Report PG&E power – covered at the 12/16/2021 Board Meeting

d. Rent Generator from All Star Rents and/or Brian Elliff – covered at the 12/16/2021 Board Meeting

ADJOURNMENT 3: Next meeting to be discussed Meeting **Date 4th of January 2022.**