

Bradford Reclamation District 2059

Meeting Minutes

Friday, January 20, 2023 at 10:30 A.M. (P.S.T.)

Interested members of the public may participate in the meeting via phone/video conference. Please Contact the District Manager at angelia_bradford@sbcglobal.net or (925)209-5480 with questions or if accommodations are necessary or by coming to the address below

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Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 842 1008 6310

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Board President: Rob Davies – Present
Trustees: Bill Hall – Present
Kevin Finta – Not Present
Smith Cunningham – Not Present
Charles Louie – Present

Other's Present: Engineer Blake Johnson, Levee Superintendent Ronald Mijares, and District Secretary Angelia H. Tant taking the meeting minutes.

The meeting begun at 10:30 A.M. and a quorum was determined.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There were no public comments.

President Davies personally thanked the following people for assisting in installing the muscle wall and filling sandbags:

- Levee Superintendent Ronald Mijares
- Landowner, Blake Johnson, PE
- Landowner, Blake Johnson's Son
- Landowner, Andy
- Landowner, Alex W. and Daughters
- Landowner, Jake C. and his two (2) friends

DISCUSSION ITEMS

D.1 ADDING TEMPORARY PART-TIME STAFF TO PAYROLL: Blake notified the Board of Trustees that the District staff had identified someone that could assist with storm related damages to the island. Blake outlined that one of the equipment operators that we had used in the past was available. Blake went over the various types of equipment operated by Jason Payne. Blake made a recommendation that the District bring Mr. Payne on board as a temporary, part time employee; at a rate of \$50.00 per hour. Blake disclosed to the Board of Trustees that, Mr. Payne currently worked for a contractor (CES). Blake identified that Mr. Payne would continue to work for CES during the time that he would be doing work for the District due to him not

having a full forty (40) hours. Trustee Louie voiced his concerns with the fact that Mr. Payne could apply for Unemployment after working for the District for so long.

M/S/P Hall/Louie/Davies with all in favor and zero opposed to hire Jason Payne as a temporary, seasonal, on call equipment operator.

D2 ALLOWING EXTRA WORK HOURS FOR EMPLOYEES. M/S/P by Hall/Louie/Davies with all in favor and zero opposed to allow for staff to work additional hours during the storm emergencies. Blake advised the Board of Trustees that staff had been working overtime hours and that currently, all staff were part-time. Due to the recent rains and damages to the island over past week and the anticipated next 2 weeks. There would be overtime required to conduct pending and upcoming repairs projects as a result of the recent storms. Blake felt that the weather is supposed to be clearing up and that the repair work could be completed in the next two (2) weeks. Blake also mentioned that the DWR loaned the District the Muscle Wall and that it would also need to be returned. Blake outlined many significant other areas that sustained damages that would possibly push these projects out further than two (2) weeks.

D.3 DECLARATION OF AN EMERGENCY DUE TO RECENT STORMS: M/S/P by Hall/Louie/Davies with all in favor and zero opposed. Blake mentioned that due to recent storms, damages had occurred on Bradford Island was included in the emergency declaration. Blake noted that the board needed to declare an emergency and begin repairs immediately and provide any necessary permits/mitigation at a later date. Contra Costa County has declared an emergency, the District is covered under their authority also. Blake outlined that with all of the emergencies that have occurred with the recent storms, we will not have to go out for bids that take weeks to complete, by pass permits and other things that may take some time to complete. Blake's opinion is to declare an emergency and outlines that he will still need to complete paperwork.

Blake requested that people out on the island keep an eye out on items that may come up. Blake expressed that we do have King Tides coming and outlined that the district does currently have high tides coming in. Contra Costa County is taking the lead on submitting the claims to FEMA and Blake outlined that he submitted 3.4 million dollars' worth of damages to the levee system, the internal levee drains being one of them. Blake reported that the claim into FEMA for the dollar amount of damages was due in today.

Adjourned: 10:48 AM