



ROCK CREEK RECLAMATION DISTRICT

A Butte County Reclamation District Operating Under Division 15 of the California Water Code

Regular Board Meeting

July 8th, 2021

3:00PM

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5130 Anita Rd. Chico

Rock Creek Reclamation District Board Meeting

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Agenda

- 1. Roll Call**
- 2. Public Comments:** This is time for any member of the public to address the Board of Directors on any matters not on the agenda that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the District. Comments are limited to no more than three (3) minutes each.
- 3. Approval of Minutes for May 26th, 2021, Board Meeting** - action requested – motion to approve the May 26th, 2021 board minutes
- 4. VINA GSP Update** - Christina Buck to give update on sustainable management criteria chapters, public comments received, and overall Vina GSA update.
- 5. Special Assessments 2021-2022** – action requested: Adopt Resolution No. 2021-01: RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF ROCK CREEK RECLAMATION DISTRICT CERTIFYING TO THE COUNTY OF BUTTE THE VALIDITY OF THE LEGAL PROCESS USED TO PLACE DIRECT CHARGES (SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS) ON THE SECURED TAX ROLL
- 6. Presentation and Approval of 2021-2022 Budget** - action requested- motion to approve the 2020-2021 budget
- 7. Approval of Bills**
 - a. Winley Durham - action requested – motion to approve the invoice
 - b. Minasian, Meith, Soares, Sexton & Cooper, LLP – action requested – motion to approve partial payment of outstanding balance
 - c. LandIQ – motion to approve the share of the invoice
 - d. Special District Risk Management Authority- motion to approve the invoice
- 8. Old Business**
 - a. Streambed alteration agreement (SAA) – secretary to update board on status of SAA downstream of W. Sacramento Avenue.
 - b. Sand Creek Project – secretary to update board on Sand Creek Project
- 9. Schedule next meeting**
- 10. Adjournment – Meeting adjourns to a joint RCRD and VINA GSA board meeting scheduled for 7/14/21 at 5:30PM.**



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Minutes of the Rock Creek Reclamation District Board Meeting

May 26th, 2021

3:00PM

RCRD Attendance:

Hal Crain-Chair

Darren Rice-Vice Chair

Bruce McGowan-Treasurer

Dan Paiva- Trustee

Elvin Bentz- Trustee

Winley Durham- Secretary

Virtual Attendance:

Jon Lavy-Trustee

Christina Buck

Paul Gosselin

Todd Turley

Aidan Wallace

Joe Hughes

Absent:

Sue Vanella- Trustee

Meeting called to order: May 26th, 2021 3:00PM by Hal Crain

Public Comments: (Shown on attached page).



Item 3.

Action Requested - Approval of Minutes for April 8th, 2021 Board Meeting

Motion: To approve the April 8th, 2021 board meeting minutes.

Motion made by Darren Rice and seconded by Dan Paiva

Motion passed 6-0 (Trustee Vanella absent)

Item 4. Treasurers Report

Action Requested – Sign letter of Support to LAFCo regarding letter of Support for Formation of Tuscan Water District (TWD) and guiding principles

Presentation from the representative of the Proposed Tuscan Water District (TWD) Regarding Letter of Support – discussion & action requested – RCRD trustees to receive presentation from proposed TWD representative regarding letter for support of formation of TWD and guiding principles.

Presentation was given from Joe Hughes, counsel for TWD. Mr. Hughes explained that TWD, subject to an agreement with RCRD, may participate in the implementation of subbasin wide PMAs. There will not be any duplication of services, and RCRD will retain its autonomy to develop, adopt, and implement GSP within its boundaries. TWD's support to assist in the implementation of PMA's on a subbasin wide basis will potentially reduce the cost to RCRD members.

Motion to sign the letter of support:

Motion made by Bruce McGowan, Seconded by Dan Paiva

Motion carries – (Trustee Vanella absent)



Item 5. Vina GSP Update

VINA GSP Update - Paul Gosselin to give update on Vina SGMA and schedules for Groundwater Sustainability Plan Chapters

Paul Gosselin gave the board an update on the targeted schedule public comment periods, board meetings to review recommendations and approval of final drafts of the project management chapter and implementation chapter of the GSP. Dates were given for the approval and implementation of the overall GSP from September 2021 (public comment period) through January 2022 (plan submission). Additionally, funding mechanisms and data gap issues were discussed.

Item 6. Vote for Special District Seat on LAFCO Board

Action Requested – RCRD trustees to vote for Butte LAFCO Regular “Non-Enterprise” Member and Alternate “Enterprise/Non-Enterprise” Member LAFCO board seat.

Vice-Chair Rice recommended vote for the slate of Al McGreehan of Paradise Recreation & Park District for Non-Enterprise member, and Larry Bradley of Durham Recreation & Park District as Alternate Enterprise/Non-Enterprise member.

Motion made by Dan Paiva, seconded by Elvin Bentz

Motion passed 6-0 (Trustee Vanella absent).

Item 7. Approval of Bills

- 1. Winley Durham-** Motion to approve the invoice.

Motion made by Elvin Bentz, motion seconded by Darren Rice

Motion passed 6-0 (Trustee Vanella absent).

- 2. Minasian, Meith, Soares, Sexton & Cooper, LLP – action requested–** motion to approve partial payment of outstanding balance
Motion made by Darren Rice to pay \$5,300, motion seconded by Elvin Bentz



Motion passed 6-0 (trustee Vanella absent).

3. LandIQ – motion to approve the share of the invoice – motion tabled until next meeting.

4. California Department of Fish and Wildlife – motion to approve payment of amendment. Motion made by Darren Rice, motion seconded by Dan Paiva.

Motion passed 6-0 (trustee Vanella absent).

Item 8. Old Business

A. Streambed alteration agreement (SAA) – secretary to update board on status of SAA downstream of W. Sacramento Avenue.

The payment to CDFW must be approved to proceed with major amendment. Secretary needs to be in contact with California Conservation Corp. representative for information on labor cost.

B. Sand Creek Project – secretary to update board on Sand Creek Project

No major update at this time – all paperwork has been submitted and no other pending tasks.

9. Schedule next meeting – Regular meeting July 8th 3PM

10. Meeting Adjourned 4:45PM by Hal Crain

***Motion Passed – Unanimous vote of present trustees**

Public Comments for the 5/26/21 Rock Creek Reclamation District Special Meeting:

As Supervisor of District 2, I wanted to ask a couple of questions - several constituents have reached out to me. They are:

1. What is the advantage to Rock Creek Reclamation District to have the proposed Tuscan Water District overlay its borders. I know Dustin Cooper had recommended against this previously. Has his stance changed? Is he still Rock Creek's attorney?
2. What are the disadvantages?
3. Are there any liability issues for Rock Creek? Perhaps this is a question for Mr. Cooper?
4. How many landowners are there in Rock Creek and how were they notified of this special meeting?
5. Is Tuscan Water District still proposing to be a land-based voting district - one acre-one vote?
6. During the last attempt to form the water district, it appeared there were thousands of landowners in the proposed district boundaries with the majority having small parcels - under 20 acres or so (I'm going from memory so forgive me if the numbers are not correct - feel free to correct this statement) yet only about 75 landowners were forming the district. There is concern that has been expressed to me about not having a voice in this new district. It seems like it is a legitimate concern. If there are just a handful of people who control the majority of acreage, how will this affect the thousands with little to no voice? How is Tuscan reaching out to the thousands of small landowners? What is the plan to do so?