# MINUTES Minutes of the Board of Trustees Reclamation District No. 537 April 4, 2023

Pursuant to the foregoing consent and the notice thereof, duly and regularly posted and given to all members of the Board of Trustees, and by-laws of said District, a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Reclamation District No. 537 was called to order by President William Mattos on Tuesday April 4, 2023, at 9:05 am in-person and via Teams online meeting.

# 1. Meeting attendance/introductions

Meeting was attended by Trustees William F. Mattos, Dan Ramos, Tom Ramos, Ross Peabody, and Ray Yeung. Also in attendance were the following RD staff and consultants: William A. Mattos, Dustin Dumars, Tina Anderson.

# 2. Approval of agenda

Trustee Ross Peabody made a motion to approve the agenda, Trustee Ray Yeung seconded, and the motion passed 5-0-0.

3. Approval of minutes of the Board Meeting on January 9, February 7, and February 24 Trustee Bill Mattos made a motion to approve the minutes for January 9, February 7, and February 24, Trustee Dan Ramos seconded, and the motion passed 5-0-0.

## **Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items District**

No members of the public attended the meeting.

## **Business/Action Items**

1. See District finance report

Billy Mattos isn't getting paid. Dustin is working on figuring out the issue. There is also a payroll tax issue.

RD 900 resolution forgiving debt; T. Ramos will talk to them about getting it removed. Bill Mattos discussed the need to by a trailer to haul equipment. He found a 20' trailer, 2 axel, 12,000 lbs. at an auction. Trustee Dan Ramos made a motion that if funds come in from DWR assessment, Bill Mattos can bid on 20' trailer, 2 axel, 12,000 lbs., to haul

equipment, up to \$10,000, seconded by Trustee Peabody, motion passed 5/0/0.

## 2. Engineers' Report and Updates (MBK)

a. Pump Station

Auto Transfer Switch hasn't come in yet. The pipes are not connected yet and the outfall needs to be constructed. Riverby Ranches water overflowing into orchard. Need to draw water down. Bill Mattos called Colin Hanley, DWR, to request water be lowered.

# b. CAMU Update

Comstock to have CAMU designs completed by mid-April. Environmental documents will be completed once the designs are done; they will need to go out for public review and then the final document approved by SAFCA.

#### c. FMAP Update

Funds approved for 2023; \$179,100.

If FMAP allows, the District is willing to assist by paying for half of the pipe removal.

## d. FEMA

Meeting is going to be set up later this week or early next week.

# e. SAFCA long term budget

The board will review the draft budget. The concrete mats don't go all the way to the toe, which is a long-term O&M concern.

DWR will use a contractor to maintain the levee for five years. The District wants to know who will oversee the vegetation control. They would like to review the contract and ask DWR what happens if they don't agree with how it is being maintained.

Trustee Mattos heard roadway gravel is 1", not ¾". Can we ask where the is the gravel coming from?

## 3. USACE Weir Widening Project Update

Bill Mattos talked to Carina with the CVFPB about the need for the CVFPB to notify the District about what is going on and get District conditions. Trustee Mattos met with AT&T yesterday; the pole they are putting in isn't in the levee but may be in the easement area.

4. Trustee Mattos adjourned the meeting at 9:44am.