

TEHAMA COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL & WATER CONSERVATION
MINUTES OF AUGUST 28, 2001

Present: Chairman Barbara McIver, Directors' Bill Borrer, George Russell and Ross Turner.
Absent was Director Willard. Also present: Ernie Ohlin, Water Resources Manager.

1. The meeting was called to order by Director Russell at 8:30 A.M.
2. Approval of July 24, 2001 Minutes: Motion by Director Borrer and second by Director Turner to accept the minutes as presented for July 24, 2001. Carried 3-0 with 2 absent.
3. Public Comment:

A. William Payer appeared before the Board to discuss the recent field meeting by Staff, Gary Plunkett, Director of Public Works, County Counsel, Nelson Buck, and Corning Maintenance Crew Chief, Loyd Spencer. Mr. Payer felt that County Counsel's denial of the Board to attend this meeting was questionable. Mr. Payer has not received a report on the progress of this issue and requested to be placed on the Agenda for the next Flood Control Board Meeting.

Director Russell suggested Mr. Payer stay in contact with Chairman McIver. Director Russell continued that an effort is being made to deal with areas of specific concern to resolve Mr. Payer's concerns. Director Russell also commented when instructed by County Counsel that Board Members must abide by that decision.

Chairman McIver entered and assumed chairing the meeting.

Chairman McIver added that a status report was requested. Staff assured it will be on the Agenda next month. With regard to visiting the site, County Counsel did advise the Supervisors' not to participate. In other words, "De novo" if the issue were referred to the Board of Supervisors for a hearing that all evidence must be taken within this room, not outside the room.

B. Roger Sherrill, past Chairman of the AB3030 TAC attended the Northern Sacramento Valley Water Forum meeting on ESA issues and updated the TCFC Board. Mr. Sherrill stated that the forum is being recognized throughout the State as an excellent way to present issues in a non-bias format.

Mr. Sherrill also sits on the ACWA groundwater committee and will keep the Board updated regarding issues of importance.

Director Bill Borrer discussed the subject matter at the NSVWF regarding the

Endangered Species Act and Biological Opinion issued by the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service on riprap projects in the Southern part of the Valley.

Director Borrer has concern that scientific methods used may be questionable.

4. Claims: Motion by Director Turner and second by Director Borrer to approve the claims of \$7,746.03 as presented. Carried 4-0 with 1 absent.
5. Approval of Salt Creek Camp Reimbursement: Motion by Director Turner and second by Director Russell to approve the reimbursement to Salt Creek Camp as presented for \$600. Carried 4-0 with 1 absent.
6. Recognition of Past AB3030 Officers and Members: Past members of the AB3030 Groundwater Technical Advisory Committee. Present was past Chairman Roger Sherrill, past Vice Chair Bill Richardson; past members, Winifred Jones, Chuck DeJournette and Bill Bergmann.

Water Resources Manager Ernie Ohlin, thanked the past TAC Members for their commitment and past involvement and presented the plaques.

7. AB3030 TAC Update: Serge Birk reported that the TAC is recommending not to increase the current membership of nine at this time.

Serge Birk reported that Staff is preparing an RFP for Tehama County's Water/Inventory Analysis. Butte County's analysis was discussed and that document could be useful in the formation of our document. A consultant familiar with Butte County's analysis attended the meeting and discussed the document details.

CalFed has opened their Ecosystem Restoration Program Grant application process. A workshop for the process of applying will be held in Chico, Thursday, August 29.

8. Request for Funds - Hydraulic and Hydrology Study at Kirkwood Road and Columbia Avenue on Jewett Creek: Ernie Ohlin discussed the issue of Jewett Creek overflow onto roads and properties. Staff is working with Public Works in an effort to prioritize the reconstruction of the two bridges. The request to the Board is that Flood Control support this effort and provide the 20% matching funds for the Hydraulic/Hydrology Study. The results will give the District valuable information in solving flooding issues for adjacent property.

Director Turner requested that the gravel be removed from under the railroad bridge. Chairman McIver suggested communication with the proper railroad authorities by staff and agendize, if appropriate.

Motion by Director Borrer and second by Director Turner to approve the designation of 20% matching funds of up to \$2,500 for the Hydraulic and Hydrology Study at Kirkwood Road and Columbia Avenue on Jewett Creek from the Fund 604 Flood Control Reserve Funds.

Jerry Ross, resident, discussed his concerns with the growth in Jewett Creek.

Motion carried 4-0 with 1 absent.

9. Calfed Update: Ernie Ohlin discussed the Sacramento Valley Water Management Agreement which is moving forward with short term implementation plans. The team is considering providing \$137,500 in supplemental funding to the District for the countywide Water Inventory/Analysis. Staff will keep the Board informed regarding the issue.
10. Adjourn: With no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:13 a.m.