

Minutes of Meeting
Tulare County Flood Control Commissioners

Friday, August 26, 2016, 8:00 AM
Tulare County Resource Management Agency Conference Room

Attendees:

Commissioners present: Dan Vink, Chairman; Dale Brogan; Dale West, Vice-Chairman, Mark Larsen, Fergus Morrissey, Doug Jackson and Walter Bricker.
Commissioners absent: none

County representation: Ross Miller and Alfredo Reynoso-Haro with Resource Management Agency (RMA.) and Jennifer Takehana with Tulare County Counsel.

Visitors: Diego Corvera with RMA

Agenda Items:

Item 1. Meeting called to order at 8:00 AM.

Item 2. Minutes of April 22, 2016 meeting:

There was a motion set by Ferguson Morrissey to approve the April 22nd minutes and seconded by Dale West, approved by unanimous vote. Chairman Vink inquired about the June 24th meeting minutes. On that meeting, there was no quorum, no actions were taken. Staff will provide the minutes to the commissioners for their review.

Item 3. Public comment period: None

Item 4. Staff report on Flood Control District matters:

A. Report on the status of the flood control projects

a. Seville-Sontag Ditch

Project was awarded last week and we signed documents with Todd Co. for the work. We have adequate funds available in the budget. Construction is expected to begin by mid September and be completed in about three weeks.

b. Juvenile Detention Facility-Cottonwood Creek (JDF)

The grant application has been submitted. We expect to hear back by mid-October. We are ready to proceed in spring season if not awarded. If awarded, we need to make a few changes to the project. Type of funding is Proposition 1 Storm Water Grant Program.

c. Yettem-Button Ditch.

We are proceeding with the preliminary design. We expect to complete the design process next summer.

Item 5. Flood Control Commission Chairmanship selection process:

Chairman Vink expressed to the Flood Control commissioners his intention to allow one of them to take the opportunity to serve as the new chairman. No action was taken.

Item 6. Consider other business:

Diego Corvera, with RMA, informed the Commission that we will be reaching out to the group of people that we coordinated with last year to prepare for the upcoming rain season.

Chairman Vink instructed the staff to, for the next Flood Control Commission meeting, make copies of the matrix that shows how the Flood Control projects were scored and ranked.

Vice-Chairman Dale West inquired the Staff about the Fish and Wild Life maintenance agreement application that is in process, related to the needs of Cottonwood Creek clearing work. Staff responded that the permit has not been obtained.

Chairman Vink instructed the staff to, for the next Flood Control Commission, add the Fish and Wild Life permit to the agenda.

Chairman Dale Brogan inquired about the low water crossing at Avenue 164 and White River and recommended the County to abandon the low water crossing on the basis that people use that area to discard trash.

Staff informed the Commission that the low water crossing at Avenue 64 and Road 88 has been submitted to the Highway Bridge Program, asking for funding.

Staff notified the Commission that as we get closer to construction/completion of Seville-Sontag and JDF projects we preparing to proceed with the next set of projects that were identified.

Item 7. Set next Flood Control Commission meeting:

There was a motion set by chairman Dan Vink to move the September meeting to October, unless a meeting is needed in September, seconded by Commissioner Ferguson, approved by unanimous vote. The next Flood Control Commission meeting was set for Friday, October 28, 2016 at 8:00 a.m. in the main conference room at RMA's office,

Item 8. Adjourn meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:34 a.m.