

MINUTES OF THE
TULARE COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL COMMISSIONERS MEETING
July 25, 2014

Attendees:

Commissioners present: Fergus Morrissey; Dale West, Vice-Chairman; Dale Brogan and Mark Larsen.

Commissioner(s) absent: Dan Vink and Walter Bricker.

County representation: Mike Bond and Alfredo Reynoso-Haro with Resource Management Agency (RMA.), Marit Erickson with County Counsel.

Visitors: Carol and Peter Clum, Shane Smith with Kaweah Delta Water Conservation District (KDWCD), Ed Glass with Keller Wegley Consulting Engineers and Denise Akins with Tulare County CAO.

Agenda Items:

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

Item 2. Minutes of February 28, 2014 meeting:

A motion by Mark Larsen to approve the minutes was seconded by Dale Brogan and approved by unanimous vote.

Item 3. Public comment period:

None

Item 4. Staff report on Flood Control District matters:

RMA staff provided an update on the progress on the Juvenile Detention Facility-Cottonwood Creek (JDF Complex), Seville-Sontag Ditch, and Yettem-Button Ditch flood control projects.

Juvenile Detention Facility Project: The application for grant funding prepared by Provost & Pritchard and submitted to the Upper Kings Basin IRWMP was not selected. The IRWMP committee selected projects that were drought and drinking water related. Design, however, will proceed with geotechnical work currently under way.

Seville project: Because the Juvenile Detention Facility Project was not selected for grant funding, the Seville project is a priority for design and construction this fiscal year.

Yettem project: There are two feasibility studies under way that the County is sponsoring. The Yettem-Seville project would create a new well near Yettem, interconnect the water systems, and replace the water distribution and storage system in Seville. The other project is the North County Regional Surface Water

Treatment Plant feasibility study. There may be opportunities to site the proposed flood easement .

Item 5: The terms for Members Dale Brogan, Walter Bricker, and Mark Larsen expire on September 1, 2014. Members present: Dale Brogan and Mark Larsen plan on renewing their term. Walter Bricker will be contacted to verify he will continue to serve another term on the Commission.

Item 6: The Commission considered a request from Keller Wegley Consulting Engineers, on behalf of the Springville PUD, to provide an endorsement of an encroachment permit submitted to the Central Valley Flood Protection Board for a project described as a proposed river intake structure within the Middle Fork of the Tule River.

Ed Glass with Keller Wegley Consulting Engineers made a brief presentation. The Springville Public Utility District proposes to construct a subsurface river intake structure to take water from the Tule River. The location of the project is in the Springville area opposite to the water treatment plant where the Edison powerhouse is which is half a mile or a mile up to State Route 190. All other permits have been obtained. An encroachment permit from the Central Valley Flood Control Board is required for which is requested an endorsement from the local management agency which is Tulare County Flood Control District.

Discussion:

Carole Clum inquired if it is going to take more water with the new intake.

Ed Glass response was: no, it is sized only for their water rights.

Dale Brogan inquired if it is going to be the primary intake.

Ed Glass response was: it is only for emergency purposes. This is just to eliminate the use of a diesel pump at the river.

Action:

A motion by Mark Larsen to endorse an encroachment permit was seconded by Fergus Morrissey and approved by unanimous vote.

Item 7: Doug Jackson - application for the Alpaugh Member's seat previously held by Steve Martin.

The Commission reconfirmed their recommendation to the Board of Supervisors to appoint Mr. Jackson to the Member # 5 for Alpaugh seat vacated by Steve Martin.

Item 8: Consider other business: None

Item 9. Set next Flood Control Commission meeting.

The next Flood Control Commission meeting was set for Friday, August 22, 2014 at 8:00 a.m. in the main conference room at RMA's office.

Item 10. Adjourn meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 a.m.