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**FLOOD CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR SESSION
GOLD ROOM
THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2020
MEETING MINUTES**

Members in attendance:

- Elston Grubaugh
- Tom Davis
- Kenneth Baughman
- Jeffrey Kramer
- Craig Colvin
- Kevin Dahl

Members absent: Courtney Arviso

Others in attendance:

- Chris Young, Flood Control Manager
- Frank Sanchez, Deputy County Engineer
- David Ruvalcaba, Civil Engineer- Flood Control
- Ed Feheley, Deputy County Attorney
- Katherine Hall, Office Specialist III

Call to Order and Roll Call

Chairman Elston Grubaugh called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. A quorum was verified.

Call to Public

No public present.

1. Approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting of December 5, 2019

Kenneth Baughman made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 5, 2019 Flood Control Advisory Board meeting.

Craig Colvin seconded the motion.

Motion carried 6-0.

2. 2019 Assessment Report (Draft)

Frank Sanchez discussed the 2019 Assessment Report. He pointed out that in May, 2019 the Board of Directors voted and approved to lower the current tax levy assessment from .2522 to .2419, which equated to a loss of about \$90,000 in revenue. Frank also noted a one-time transfer to the General Fund of \$253,000 that was approved but not listed on the Assessment Report. In conjunction, with lowering the tax-levy and the amount transferred the total amount was around \$340,000 from the Flood Control District Funding.

Frank highlighted Section 7 of the Assessment Report. He presented details on a selected few completed and in process projects.

Jeffrey Kramer stated that the City of Yuma reviewed the report. The City Public Works Department requested to look at implementing a series of smaller basins instead of a larger

storm drain system. They also suggested potential locations to look at in the future.

Project #12-22: the City asked if the project was feasible since the Gomez Plaza Shopping Center drains into the basin on Pacific.

Project #12-51: states that the City of Yuma was designing improvements for Arena Avenue. Jeffrey Kramer clarified that the City of Yuma would not be designing pavement improvements.

Jeffrey Kramer made a motion to recommend the 2019 Assessment Report to the Yuma County Flood Control Board of Directors with the following correction:

- A. Update project #12-51 reflecting that the City of Yuma would not be designing improvements for Arena Avenue.

The motion was seconded by Kevin Dahl.

Motion carried 6-0.

3. Capital Improvement Plan and Budget FY21 (Draft)

Frank Sanchez presented the proposed CIP for the next five years (FY21- FY25), highlighting the following CIP projects:

- #3.9703 Smucker Park Retention Basin: Inspections would be done by ADWR on the embankment. Frank mentioned that under Planning and Engineering, \$1.5 million was allocated to Dibble Engineering to inspect the construction of the project.
- #3.0504 Somerton Area Drainage Improvements: Project ready to go out to bid. Budgeted \$4 million in FY21.
- #3.10501A/B Wellton Area Drainage Improvements Phase 1 & 2: \$1.4 million in FY22, project bumped out to fund Smucker Park. Coyote Wash looking at \$1.2 million in FY21.
- #3.1601 Gadsden-San Luis Outfall and Basin: Project study completed this fiscal year. Money was added for real estate and utility relocation based on the results of the study in FY22. If needed, construction in FY23.

Frank outlined revenues and expenditures from the FY21- FY25: Proposed Work Plan spreadsheet.

Tom Davis asked about project #3.1906 Gila River Obstruction Removal funding. Frank Sanchez mentioned that the project was added back to the CIP per Elston Grubaugh's recommendation from the March 7, 2019 FCAB meeting. Frank agreed to have discussions with the Bureau of Reclamation. Frank asked the board if they would like to keep the budgeted amounts to apply for studies on what needs to be done. The board agreed to keep funding in place on the project for FY24 and FY25. Frank closed by stating that overall in FY21 and FY22 there were many projects; however, projects would decrease in FY23 – FY25 to match decreasing revenues. Frank suggested to approach the Board of Directors to increase the tax levy to its normal levels.

Tom Davis made a motion to recommend the Capital Improvement Plan and Budget FY21 to the Flood Control Board of Directors.

The motion was seconded by Kenneth Baughman.

Motion carried 6-0.

4. 2019 Board of Directors Actions

Frank Sanchez reviewed the 2019 Board of Directors Actions.

5. 2020 Meeting Schedule

Chairman Elston Grubaugh discussed the meeting schedule for 2020. Meetings are held the first Thursday of the quarter.

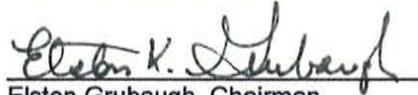
Tom Davis inquired about the status of the crack in the concrete at the East Main Canal and 6th Street that was noticed during the Flood Control Tour in December 2019 meeting and if there were plans for repair. Frank responded that he researched the issue and according to the IGA it would be considered a maintenance issue and the City of Yuma would be responsible. Jeffrey Kramer confirmed that it was put out for an estimate and they were trying to identify a funding source.

It was recommended by the board to schedule a tour of Smucker Park Retention Basin while in construction.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 9:57 a.m.

These minutes were approved and accepted on this 3rd day of September, 2020.



Elston K. Grubaugh, Chairman