

# **MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE SEWERAGE COMMISSION - OROVILLE REGION**

(Held at the Commission office on January 08, 2026 at 05:00 p.m.)

## **1. Call to Order ❖**

Chairperson Mastelotto called the meeting to order at 05:00 p.m.

## **2. Roll Call ❖**

Commissioners present were Mastelotto from the Lake Oroville Area Public Utility District, Pittman and Goodson from the City of Oroville, and Vice-Chairman Clark from the Thermalito Water and Sewer District. Staff present were Manager Glen Sturdevant and Plant Supervisor Mikah Salsi, along with Attorney Ryan Jones, who joined by Zoom. Commissioner Salvucci from the Lake Oroville Area Public Utility District attended remotely from Boston, MA, for the meeting as permitted by SB 707, his just cause due to caregiving responsibilities for a family member. There was no second representative from the Thermalito Water and Sewer District, as that board seat is expected to be filled next month.

## **3. Salute to the Flag ❖**

Chairperson Mastelotto led the commissioners and staff in the salute to the flag.

## **4. Acknowledgment of Visitors ❖**

None.

## **5. Ruddy Creek Pump Station Construction Award ❖**

Manager Sturdevant reported the Ruddy Creek Pump Station was advertised for bids in December 2025, with the bid period closing on December 3, 2025. The low bid was submitted by Lorang Brothers in the amount of \$3,070,995.00. SC-OR confirmed that Lorang Brothers Construction met all of the requirements including background check and positive references. Additionally, Jacobs Engineering, which conducted the vetting process, provided a letter of recommendation. Based on these findings, staff recommends awarding the contract to Lorang Brothers Construction for the low bid amount of \$3,070,995.00, plus a 10% contingency, for a total cost not to exceed \$3,378,100.00.

Commissioner Pittman inquired about the project timeline. Manager Sturdevant responded that construction is scheduled to begin in February 2026, with an anticipated completion date of December 1, 2026.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pittman to approve the Ruddy Creek Pump Station contract with Lorang Brothers Construction. The motion was seconded by Commissioner

Goodson, and passed the following vote: Clark – Yes, Mastelotto – Yes, Pittman – Yes

## **6. Construction Management Contract Award ❖**

Manager Sturdevant introduced the Ruddy Creek Pump Station Construction Management contract. He noted that during Phase 1, two separate companies handled construction management and engineering services, which was appropriate for a project of that size. After discussion with Plant Supervisor Salsi, staff recommends continuing with Jacobs Engineering to perform both construction management and engineering services for the Ruddy Creek Pump Station project. Although Jacobs Engineering is not the construction management firm on the Phase 1 project, they advocate for SC-OR.

Manager Sturdevant recommended awarding the contract to Jacobs Engineering for construction management and engineering services during the Ruddy Creek Pump Station construction at a cost of \$600,000.00, plus a 10% contingency of \$60,000.00, for a total amount not to exceed \$660,000.00.

Chairperson Mastelotto inquired about the 10% contingency and if Jacobs Engineering ends up more than allotment. Manager Sturdevant stated if that happens, he would bring the overage (change order) to the Board, but he fully expects the amount to come in less. Commissioner Pittman asked about parts delay. Manager Sturdevant stated he was confident SC-OR will be able to get this project done by the timeline.

A motion was made by Commissioner Goodson to approve the Construction Management and Engineering Services Contract for the Ruddy Creek Pump Station construction with Jacobs Engineering. The motion was seconded by Chairperson Mastelotto, and passed the following vote: Clark – Yes, Mastelotto – Yes, Pittman – Yes

## **7. Task Order No. 42 – SCADA Integration and Programming for the SC-OR Ruddy Creek Lift Station Project ❖**

Manager Sturdevant introduced the proposal for Jacobs Engineering to perform SCADA Integration and Programming for the Ruddy Creek Lift Station Project. He emphasized the importance of maintaining consistent programming codes with the same engineering firm—Jacobs Engineering—since they also handled the design and SCADA installations for Phase 1. Using a different engineering firm could result in incompatible programming communications and potential operational issues.

Manager Sturdevant recommended awarding the SCADA Integration and Programming contract to Jacobs Engineering for the Ruddy Creek Lift Station Project at a cost of \$236,000.00, plus a 10% contingency of \$23,600.00, for a total amount not to exceed \$259,600.00.

Chairperson Mastelotto asked whether this expense was budgeted for the upcoming year. Manager Sturdevant confirmed that it is included in the budget. Commissioner Pittman inquired if the upgrade involves transitioning from an analog system to a digital system. Manager Sturdevant explained that this upgrade replaces the 1970s infrastructure system with a modern digital platform, allowing operators to access the system via company-

issued cell phones. Commissioner Goodson asked for clarification on whether these phones are company-owned or personal, and if there are security protocols. Manager Sturdevant confirmed they are company-paid devices and explained that, for security purposes, staff will connect through a Virtual Private Network (VPN) dedicated solely to SCADA access. Commissioner Pittman then asked Attorney Jones whether the SCADA system complies with upcoming cybersecurity legislation. Attorney Jones responded he would need to review the matter further. Manager Sturdevant responded that California has introduced new cybersecurity requirements and noted that SC-OR secured a grant to ensure compliance, which will integrate seamlessly with this upgrade.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pittman to approve the SCADA Integration and Programming for the SC-OR Ruddy Creek Pump Station construction project with Jacobs Engineering. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Goodson, and passed the following vote: Clark – Yes, Mastelotto – Yes, Pittman – Yes

**8. Visitor Comments ❖**

None.

**9. Commissioner and Staff Comments ❖**

None.

**10. Adjournment ❖**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 05:15 p.m. to the regular meeting scheduled for January 27, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



GLEN E. STURDEVANT, CLERK