

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FOR RECLAMATION DISTRICT 1608
HELD WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2018**

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Reclamation District 1608 was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by President Panzer on October 3, 2018 at the law offices of Neumiller & Beardslee, 509 W Weber Avenue, 5th Floor, Stockton, California.

TRUSTEES PRESENT WERE:

MICHAEL PANZER
BRETT THOLBORN
DAN MacDONNELL

OTHERS PRESENT WERE:

ANDY PINASCO
CHRISTOPHER H. NEUDECK
JEAN L. KNIGHT
JOE BRYSON
JUDITH BUETHE
DOMINICK GUILLI
BOB BENTZ (Arrived at 8:18 a.m.)

ABSENT WAS:

DANIEL SCHROEDER

1. **Public Comment.** Under Government Code Section 54954.3, members of the public may address the Board on any issue in the District's jurisdiction. The public may address any item on the agenda as it is taken up. Brett Tholborn had a flyer he had received from what looked like the Central Valley Flood Protection Board. Chris Neudeck said it was actually part of what is called the Flood Risk Notification Program through the California Department of Water Resources and is part of the public outreach program they have. He said a lot of people move into the area and aren't aware there is flood protection holding back water and need to know there is always potential risk.
2. **Approval of Minutes.** Minutes of the regular meeting of September 5, 2018 and special meeting of September 5, 2018. The trustees reviewed the minutes and the following action was taken.

Upon motion duly made, seconded (B. Tholborn/D. MacDonnell) and unanimously carried, the Trustees approved the minutes of the regular meeting of September 5, 2018.

Upon motion duly made, seconded (B. Tholborn/D. MacDonnell) and unanimously carried, the Trustees approved the minutes of the Special Meeting of September 5, 2018.

At the time of the review of the minutes, Dominick Guilli gave the “confidential” proposal he gave to Trustee MacDonnell at the last meeting to the remaining Trustees. It was his 10/3/2018 Written Public Comments for Public Meeting RD1608 with respect to the Lower San Joaquin River Feasibility Study Final Environmental Impact Report. He read what he says are the only comments submitted to the agency and they were done only by himself.

3. **Financial Report. Review, discuss, and accept financial report.** Jean Knight presented the financial report. She noted that there were three employees working this last pay period for the District. Joe Bryson noted that one of them had done the counting of the inventory for the District. And, one of them did some pretty hard labor. After review of the financial report,

It was moved, seconded (B. Tholborn/D. MacDonnell) and unanimously carried by the Trustees of Reclamation District 1608 that the Financial Report be approved as presented.

4. **Engineer’s Report. Request for directions and approvals.**

(a) Consider new permits requests from homeowners.

1. 4149 Fort Donaldson Drive, Index No 127, Lot 22200 APN 098-420-16
Owners Mr. Morgan and Mrs. Susan Mayfield – Seeks removal of vegetation and installation of gravel.

Chris Neudeck reported that the owners are attempting to get in compliance with the vegetation on the slope. It is in progress and is a monumental job in getting the work done. They want some gravel but they still want some vegetation. The owners and engineers are working together and they are hopeful that the owners will be in compliance by next month.

2. 6669 & 6713 Embarcadero Dr, APN 098-400-16 & 098-130-22
Owner Embarcadero West Condominiums – Review status of application for existing stairs with railing and other encroachment features located on the landside slope of the District’s Levee.

Chris Neudeck reported that this is effectively a public walkway – but there are multiple ones. He thought he’d have the application by this meeting but he has not received it yet.

3. 3731 Hatchers Circle, APN 098-020-53, Index No 84, Lot 1975
Owner Ms. Kay Niegel – Replace railroad ties stairs. Chris Neudeck reported that the owners of this property are simply seeking a permit to replace rotted out railroad ties used as steps in the levee slope. He said

KSN recommends that the Board approve this application with no special conditions. After review,

It was moved, seconded (D. MacDonnell/B. Tholborn) and unanimously carried by the Trustees of Reclamation District 1608 that the permit application to replace rotted out railroad ties Kay and Betty Niegel, Index No. 84, Lot No. 1075 be approved with no special conditions.

Mr. Neudeck also reported on homeowners Charles & Farley Staniec – first home east of Marina. The Staniecs and the engineers still haven't met yet.

- (b) Discussion and Direction regarding Sediment Removal Project. Chris Neudeck gave an update of the sediment removal project by referencing Exhibit F in the engineer's report. It summarizes the work activities associated with the project as of October 1 2018.

Mr. Neudeck has been speaking with Kevin Huber of Grupe and there was a two week delay due to a personal issue in Mr. Huber's life. Mr. Neudeck is also hoping to meet with the Field Man and get to focus on one alignment they would like to use. Once they get the assessment done, he is hoping to get a meeting together with RD2119 and hopefully 2 of the 3 board members will support RD1608, as it appears that Director Muzio will not support it. Mr. Neudeck is a bit frustrated and it has been 45-60 days on hold for this issue. The engineers cannot submit the full project application until everything is done and the hope is now for the Spring of 2019.

- (c) Emergency Plan Review. The plan review is usually done in the fall but it hasn't been done yet. This will be presented at the next District meeting. It has been a long time in promising that the District will get another container with flood fighting materials from the Office of Emergency Services (OES) and then the OES director retired and the replacement, Shelly Limb reported that they are willing to pay for supplies but will not get them for the District. The containers were going to have OES painted on them. This will be discussed next month as part of the Emergency Plan Review agenda item.

From Engineer's Report:

B. Review new hard copy Aerial District Base Map with APN, owner's names and addresses for inspection purposes. (Exhibit D). The engineering report contained Exhibit D, an 11" x 17" Aerial District Base Maps with Assessor Parcel Numbers, owners names and addresses. This has been done for inspection purposes. In reviewing these maps, Mr. Guilli said it was a nice system presented and also asked about page 5 of 14, where it shows a notation 100004032 RECLAMATION 3623 and then in another area 09807003 ALAZZAWA 3751. Mr. Neudeck thanked Mr. Guilli and said that may be a mistake but he'd check with his staff.

Mr. Neudeck also reported that he is going to go through the report again and follow up but thinks the District is on track to make this help throughout the years.

5. Levee Superintendent Report. Request for directions and approvals.

Joe Bryson gave the superintendent's report. He reported that resident Mayfield is now working with the District. He also reported while having dinner he got a call from the Marina and they reported a sailboat had hit a power line and the report is that the sailboat mast hit it. He also reported more fully on Item 13 about finding more trash at Plymouth gate and thinks it was dead animals. On Item 15, Chris Neudeck said the crack was not large and was minor and it is the nature that levees move and the solution will be to seal the cracks.

6. Newsletter. Discussion and direction. – Judith Buethe was at the meeting to work on articles for the next District newsletter. Some of the suggestions were information regarding the Nutria. Chris Neudeck said there was a nice flyer that may be worth getting out to the homeowners where it identifies what they look like and what their swimming patterns are. He noted we have them in the region but he is not sure if they are in Reclamation District 1608. He said they have been found predominately in the south delta region. He noted the Fresno region is running emergency response and they are not as in touch with the Delta Region. They are very prolific and within 5 years there could be 200,000 of them.

Another discussion point could be the levee improvements that have been occurring and some minor projects. Improving the riprap on individual lots is one of them. Some homeowners are hearing about the District's option if a homeowner wants to remove vegetation and put in a gravel replacement. Andy Pinasco and Chris Neudeck will help Judith Buethe with some language. Another idea is encroachment enforcement starting out the fall of this year and to thank people for their cooperation. Regarding the sediment removal project, it is anticipated that this would be postponed to a fall project due to complications.

7. Report by Trustees on meetings attended and up coming meetings. Request for direction. No report.

8. Report and possible action on Progress of Tasks Assigned at Previous Board Meetings. No report.

9. Discussion and direction on Short-Term and Long-Range Goals. No changes.

10. District Calendar. Discussion and direction. Andy Pinasco reported that there was nothing to discuss as this was not an election year. He did report he had made contract with Dickinson Spray Company by sending him correspondence with respect to the refund Phil Dickinson had given to the District as well as stopping any further work.

11. Correspondence. None.

12. Approval of Bills. Payment of bills. The Bills to be Paid List, as presented, was reviewed and,

Upon motion duly made, seconded (B. Tholborn/D. MacDonnell) and unanimously carried by the Trustees of Reclamation District 1608 that the Bills to be Paid List be approved.

13. Staff Reports.

(a) Attorney. The Agenda for this meeting was posted on the window outside the meeting room at 509 West Weber Avenue, Stockton, California, at least seventy-two (72) hours preceding the meeting.

14. Adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 9:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Jean L Knight
District Secretary