

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
FOR RECLAMATION DISTRICT 1608  
HELD WEDNESDAY, February 6, 2019**

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Reclamation District 1608 was called to order at 8:04 a.m. by Trustee Brett Tholborn on February 6, 2019, at the law offices of Neumiller & Beardslee, 509 W Weber Avenue, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Stockton, California.

**TRUSTEES PRESENT WERE:**

BRETT THOLBORN  
DAN MacDONNELL

**OTHERS PRESENT WERE:**

DANIEL SCHROEDER  
ANDY PINASCO  
CHRIS NEUDECK  
JEAN L. KNIGHT  
JOE BRYSON  
BOB BENTZ  
DOMINICK GUILLI (Arrived at 8:12 a.m.)

**ABSENT WAS:**

MICHAEL PANZER

1. **Public Comment.** No public comment.
2. **Approval of Minutes.** Minutes of the regular meeting of January 9, 2019. After review,

It was moved, seconded (D. MacDonnell/B. Tholborn) and unanimously carried by the Trustees of Reclamation District 1608 that the minutes of the regular meeting of January 9, 2019 be approved as read.

3. **Financial Report.** Review, discuss, and accept financial report. Secretary Knight presented the financial report. She noted the District had received both Assessment monies and Property tax revenue this last month. She also pointed out that the County had booked their charges for administrative costs on behalf of the District. After further review and discussion,

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

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

From Engineer's Report:  
Plan Review

A. Mr. Morgan and Mrs. Susan Mayfield. Trustee Panzer thought that a follow up visit was warranted with the Mayfields, since it was reported that they were not communicating with Joe Bryson anymore. Because of this, both Dr. Panzer and Chris Neudeck visited the Mayfields. They had a nice discussion and it was discovered that generally they had complied. It was also felt best that Chris Neudeck write a letter to the Mayfields discussing ongoing maintenance requirements and he would address several areas that will need continual maintenance and refinement. At this point, it was determined not to go forward with the Show Cause Hearing as they had basically complied on what the District had required to be done. There are elevation issues that will need to be met, as well as the area is prone to a lot of seepage. Mr. Neudeck reported that Mr. Bryson has been exceptional in handling this matter. The removal and replacement with gravel was not an acceptable offer with the Mayfields. But it was noted that the back yard is the District's levee. Mrs. Mayfield's mother was the landscaper on the property. About going out to the Property, Mr. Bryson said he had been out there 3 times since the last meeting and he and the Mayfields were on good terms.

B. Review SJCo's status to provide the District will a fully supplied flood fight container funded through the Department of Water Resources Emergency Response Grant No. 2. Chris Neudeck reported that the County has changed its position on flood fight containers and now the District must pay and then seek a reimbursement. This county was going to do the work for the District.

C. Annual Levee Inspection – The Engineers will begin their annual inspection on Wednesday, February 6th.

II. FEMA Mapping Status. A. Review progress of LOMA application relative to the District's interior lake drainage system. Mr. Neudeck reported that this issue has been elevated and Brandon Nakagawa has gotten involved as well as the Board of Supervisors. Chris Neudeck said he is trying to get Chris Elias involved and noted that the region must begin talking as there is a heavy lift to get this done. The engineering report on Exhibit D indicates that the Lake Boundary Meets and Bounds Descriptions are nearing completion and will be submitted to FEMA the first week of February.

III. Sediment Removal Project. Chris Neudeck reported that the Biological Assessment was completed Monday morning. The issue focused down to the pipeline that goes to the farmland as they had to get more specific in their description. The last standing issues are the Biological Assessments and Biological Opinions. There could be 90-120 day delay on all projects. Mr. Neudeck anticipated this because of the government shutdown and it has actually caused several projects not going to construction this year. The Agency worked but did not do any permitting. The District is going to be at the end of their list. The goal is to get construction done this year by September and October. It's not a large project – the problem is getting permits.

a. Update on compliance with Levee Encroachment Standards at 4149 Fort Donelson Drive. See engineer's report above.

b. Sediment Removal Project

i) Authorize President to execute Reclamation District No. 2119 encroachment permit. Reclamation District 1608 is seeking to install and later remove a dredge sediment transport pipe crossing Reclamation District 2119's levee at two locations for the purpose of discharging dredged materials into the Port of Stockton placement site on Roberts Island. Attorney Schroeder presented this item for review and suggested approval. The District is not digging on the levee top. After discussion,

It was moved, seconded (D. MacDonnell/B. Tholborn) and unanimously carried by the Board of Trustees of Reclamation District 1608 that the Permit Agreement between Reclamation District 2119 and Reclamation District 1608 be approved. As President Panzer is not present at this meeting, he will be notified about this approval and asked to execute it on behalf of the District.

ii) Consider new permits requests from homeowners. No permits presented.

**5. Levee Superintendent Report.** Request for directions and approvals. Mr. Bryson noted that the District now needs to have permits for spraying within San Joaquin County. With the new applicator, new permits required.

Dominick Guilli had a question about reservoirs filling up. He noted that high tides are coming up. Chris Neudeck responded and said that the reservoirs are holding up and he is watching this. They anticipate releases. There are high tides, potential warm rains and high snow pack. Mr. Neudeck responded that yes, the District has protocols and it is watching the situation closely

**6. Report by Trustees on meetings attended and upcoming meetings.** Request for direction. No report.

**7. Report and possible action on Progress of Tasks Assigned at Previous Board Meetings.**

a. Trustee Compensation – Dan Schroeder presented this matter. Due to delays because of the law firm's move and the firm also moving their document management program to the Cloud, this item will be brought to the March meeting.

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

**9. District Calendar.** Discussion and direction. Nothing for this month. Invite Judith Buehe for March meeting for spring newsletter.

**10. Correspondence.** No additional correspondence.

**11. Approval of Bills.** The Bills to be Paid List for February, 2019 was presented and reviewed and,

Upon motion duly made, seconded (D. MacDonnell/B. Tholborn) and unanimously carried by the Board of Trustees of Reclamation District 1608, the Bills to be Paid List for February, 2019 as presented, was approved.

**12. Staff Reports.** It was reported that SJAFCA is having a special board meeting tomorrow – if a particular board member can attend. It's a public meeting. Trustee Dan MacDonnell reported that there is a Central Valley Flood Forum – March 20<sup>th</sup> – which he would like to attend. Trustee MacDonnell contacted them directly. After consideration,

It was moved, seconded (D. MacDonnell/B. Tholborn) and unanimously carried by Reclamation District 1608 that Trustee Dan MacDonnell be authorized to attend the Central Valley Flood Forum on March 20<sup>th</sup> and that Secretary Knight issue a warrant for \$60 to pay for his attendance.

**13. Adjournment.** The meeting adjourned at 9:05 a.m..

Respectfully submitted,



Jean L Knight  
District Secretary