

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
FOR RECLAMATION DISTRICT 1614  
HELD MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 2024

The January Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Reclamation District 1614 was held on Monday, January 8, 2024, at the hour of 2:00 p.m.

Roll Call of Board Members and Staff:

President Kevin Kauffman, Trustee Chris Gaines, Trustee Dominick Gulli, Attorney Andy Pinasco, Engineer Chris Neudeck, and Superintendent Abel Palacio.

The following members of the public were present: Sarah Vigil (Port City Marketing), Chris Elias (SJAFCA)

Absent were: District Secretary Rhonda Olmo

**Item 1. Call to Order/Roll Call.** President Kauffman called the meeting to order at 2:09 p.m.

**Item 2. Public Comment.** The public may comment on any matter within the District’s jurisdiction that is not on the agenda. Matters on the agenda may be commented on by the public when the matter is taken up. All comments are limited to 5 minutes for general public comment and per agenda item in accordance with Resolution 2014-06.

No public comment.

**Item 3. Minutes.** Approval of Minutes of the December 4, 2023 meeting.

The following edits were suggested to the draft December 4, 2023 minutes:

- Page 3 – First sentence of Second Paragraph in Subsection A of Section III of the Engineer’s Report Strike ‘all that is required to get the final letter of map revision.’
- Page 4, Item 5 – add comment at end of Item 5 as follows: “Trustee Gulli made comments regarding SGCC irrigation pipes and requested that Mr. Neudeck draft a letter to SJAFCA, which the Trustees all agreed would be appropriate.”

After review,

On a motion by Trustee Gulli, seconded by Trustee Gaines, the Trustee’s present voted unanimously to approve the December 4, 2023 Minutes as amended by the following vote:

Ayes:	Gaines, Gulli, Kauffman
Noes:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	None

**Item 4. District Finances.** Presentation of Financial Status Report. Discussion and possible action.

Andy Pinasco provided a written and oral report on the District’s revenues and expenditures. He reported that the District is at 50% for their Fiscal Year. After review, the Trustees present requested that District staff bring a budget amendment back to increase Line R1C to \$570k.

After review,

On a motion by Trustee Gulli, seconded by Trustee Gaines, the Trustee's present voted unanimously to approve the Financial Report by the following vote.

Ayes: Gulli, Gaines, Kauffman  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

**Item 5. District Engineer Report.** Presentation of Engineer's Report. Discussion, and possible action:

**I. TASK LIST FROM OCTOBER 2, 2023, BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

A. Project Status as of 1/04/2024

**I. Maps, Profiles, and Cross sections**

Provide a plan and profile drawing using the alignment of the 5-year plans and the data from the 2015 Smith Canal CAD files to illustrate the following:

**Gulli requested that Neudeck update the report to focus on RD 1614 interior drainage. Neudeck anticipates that his report will be ready for consideration at the February meeting.**

- a. Reflect the current Base Flood Elevation (BFE) of 10.0 NAVD 88 on both the profiles and cross sections. Include a line representing 3 ft. freeboard above the BFE.
- b. For the plan view include the topographic surface and a suitable image. Label the major roads and pump station pipes.
- c. On the cross sections illustrate the typical sections with the EM-1110-2- 1913 and the SPK EDG 03 standard levee templates at Elevation 13.0.
- d. On the profiles show the discharge pipes at the actual location and invert elevations, Show the Pershing Bridge and I 5 Bridge and show the Toe elevation profile. The toe is shown of the 2015 ACAD drawing which KSN provided.
- e. For the various plans/profiles provided (2018 five year, 2015 ACAD, 2009 five plan, levee Segment P359, Kleinfelder 2010 Geotechnical Preliminary Levee Evaluation and the Kleinfelder DWR GLE the stationing is different. For Quality control please print one profile with each of the profiles as a different color.

**II. Interior Drainage**

- a. For the interior drainage studies please provide an updated report including the new pumps at Wisconsin. Include a discussion on the pumping of the storm event of Jan 1, 2023 per the field logs

(enclosed), i.e, can we use the full capacity of the pump station based on the conveyance system?

**II. ROCK SLOPE PROTECTION PROJECT (2022-2023)**

- A. Construction costs through 12/31/2023 are \$570,138.
- B. Six additional lots have been identified for RSP. Mr. Neudeck and Mr. Palacio reported that there continues to be lots of interest in the District's rip rap program. Mr. Neudeck provided update on the program and indicated that subventions funding is in jeopardy pending the State budget.
- C. DWR has been notified that RD 1614 is seeking a \$300k amendment to its Subventions application for FY 2023-2024. The amendment request will be considered at the February CVFPB Board meeting.
- D. Mr. Neudeck then reported on the RSP budget status, which will be considered for increase at the February meeting.

**III. WISCONSIN PUMP STATION NO. 7**

- A. Change Order 004 is before the Board for approval. This change order includes the following:
  - Extra work to repair erosion out of the sump around the sump that occurred during the pump testing and sump filling.
  - Extra work associated with the "Debris Removal at Sump" allowance. (DEDUCT)
  - Extra work associated with the "Remove Existing Pipe" allowance. (DEDUCT)
  - Mr. Neudeck explained the change order as accounting for allowances (deducts) and that the new work being out of scope work needed for completion. Gulli inquired about the rates being charged. Neudeck responded that the rates were reviewed by his Engineering staff and are in compliance with the project documents.

After review,

On a motion by Trustee Gaines, seconded by Trustee Gulli, the Trustee's present voted unanimously to approve Change Order 004 by the following vote:

Ayes:	Gaines, Gulli, Kauffman
Noes:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	None

- B. The contractor's Progress Pay Estimate No. 9 is before the Board for approval. Mr. Neudeck provided an explanation of the Pay Estimate for Trustees.

After review,

On a motion by Trustee Gaines, seconded by Trustee Gulli, the Trustee's present voted unanimously to approve Progress Pay Estimate No. 9 for payment by the following vote:

Ayes: Gaines, Gulli, Kauffman  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

- C. Mr. Neudeck reported that the pump manufacturer is working on a letter that certifies that the two new pumps will perform as specified and submitted during a real-world storm event and that also includes a brief discussion of the impacts that the "artificial" air entrainment witnessed during the field tests likely had on ultimate pump performance. This letter is required before the release of retention.

#### **IV. Storm Drain at Hoover-Tyler Little League**

- A. KSN is coordinating with Dino & Son to repair two of the five manholes outside the ballfields to realign and raise the frame and lid.

It was agreed by the Trustees that KSN will re-engage the Little League's civil engineer and allow them to lower the frame and lid at the other three manholes located within the ballfields provided they allow KSN to survey the top of the manhole lids before they "backfill".

**Item 6. Superintendent's Report.** Presentation of Superintendent's Report; request for direction.

Superintendent Palacio reported on the following:

- The District did not have an agreement with United Rentals, and was using credit cards to make purchases. Given that the District would be better served to maintain credit directly with United Rentals, Mr. Palacio took steps to establish an account for the District to use.
- Mr. Palacio is purchasing spare parts for pump controllers so that the District's response to any pump callouts is successful and there is less room for a pump being offline. All spare parts are being stored at the Franklin pump station.
- Performed maintenance on the District's truck, boat, and cleaned District storage yard.
- Mr. Palacio indicated to the Trustees that each Trustee could accompany District staff at different times during scheduled boat tours to view the eligible sites for the District's riprap program.
- Mr. Palacio reported that the District's pumping stations were in working condition and that he would be monitoring the upcoming storm systems very closely in concert with SJC OES.

**Item 7. Letter of Map Revision.** Discussion and possible action regarding Letter of Map Revision.

As reported under District Engineer's Report.

**Item 8. District Newsletter/Postcard.** Ms. Vigil reported that the Draft Newsletter distributed to Trustees was preliminary, and was targeting a date in April for distribution. The Trustees requested that District the following information be included in the Newsletter:

- 2024 Election information
- Request that the public report any rodent activity on the levee so the District may take appropriate action to avoid damage to the levees
- Discussion of how District's LOMR and SJAFCA's Smith Canal Project are related
- Discussion of the progress made on the District's Wisconsin Pump Station Project
- Statement directing residents to SJAFCA's website for any information related to SJAFCA's Smith Canal Gate Project.

President Kauffman requested dates for the next Town Hall to be held at the Amblers in April so that the District could send out a postcard well in advance of the meeting.

**Item 9. Report on Meetings Attended.** Discussion and direction.

Mr. Neudeck reported that there was a teleconference meeting regarding subventions, indicating that the flood control community is currently awaiting the Governor's Budget and will comment upon reviewing such. It is still uncertain as to whether the Delta Levee Subventions Program will be funded beyond 2025.

**Item 10. Report on Meetings Attended.** President Kauffman stated he attended a couple of meetings at the County Club.

**Item 11. Trustee Reports.** Discussion and direction on Trustee Reports.

- a. Update on the Stockton Golf and Country Club pipeline repair in the Calaveras River levee.

President Kauffman provided an update that a 4" PCP pipe lining is not completed.

**Item 12. District Calendar.**

- a. Next Meeting – February 5, 2024.

**Item 13. Items for Future Meetings.** Items for Future Meetings. No report.

**Item 14. Correspondence.** Discussion and direction. None.

**Item 15. Agency Reports.** Report on San Joaquin Area Flood Control Agency's Smith Canal Gate Structure Project.

Mr. Elias reported the following on SJAFCA's Smith Canal Gate Project:

- The staging areas have been torn down. The Dad's Point work is not complete, and once complete, the boat ramp will be reopened.
- The painting of the north wall sheet piles is continuing.
- The planters are to be installed in the coming weeks.
- On the SGCC side, there is concrete work underway and on schedule.
- The grass pavers are to be installed in the coming weeks.

Mr. Elias also indicated that SJAFCA's meetings are to be held at the Stockton City Council Chambers for the February meeting.

President Kauffman asked staff to be prepared to report on the Prop 218 Reimbursement Agreement in July this year.

**Item 16. District Bills.** Motion to Approve of Bills.

After review,

On a motion by Trustee Gaines, seconded by Trustee Gulli, the Trustee's present voted unanimously to approve the December bills by the following vote.

Ayes:	Gulli, Gaines, Kauffman
Noes:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	None

**Item 16. Adjournment.** The meeting concluded at 3:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Rhonda L. Olmo  
District Secretary