

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FOR RECLAMATION DISTRICT 1614
HELD MONDAY MARCH 2, 2026

The March Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Reclamation District 1614 was held on Monday, March 2, 2026, at the hour of 2:00 p.m.

Roll Call of Board Members and Staff:

Trustee Kevin Kauffman, Trustee Chris Gaines, Attorney Andy Pinasco, Engineer Chris Neudeck, Superintendent Abel Palacio and Secretary Rhonda Olmo

The following members of the public were present: Jordan Baldwin (Ridgeline) Jeff Sanguinetti, Augie (SGCC Contractor), Sam Bhade (SGCC), Sara Vigil (Port City Marketing)

Absent were: President Dominick Gulli

Item 1. Call to Order/Roll Call. Trustee Kauffman called the meeting to order at 2:10 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 February 2, 2026 Regular Meeting.

After review,

On a motion by Trustee Gaines, seconded by Trustee Kauffman, the Trustees present voted unanimously to approve the February 2, 2026 regular meeting minutes by the following vote:

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

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

Rhonda Olmo provided a written and oral report. She stated that the District is at 66.67% for their fiscal year. She reported on all bills due for the month, interest and property tax money received.

After review,

On a motion by Trustee Kauffman, seconded by Trustee Gaines, the Trustees present voted unanimously to approve the Financial Report as presented by the following vote.

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

Item 5. Insurance. Discussion and possible action regarding authorizing District official to approve proposal for District Insurance Renewal.

After discussion,

On a motion by Trustee Gaines, seconded by Trustee Kauffman, the Trustees present voted unanimously to authorize a District official to approve the proposal for the District insurance renewal by the following vote.

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

Item 6. Audit.

- a. Discussion and possible action to approve Draft Audit for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2025.
- b. Review and approve standard representation letter from Croce, Sanguinetti, & Vander Veen for year ended June 30, 2025.

After discussion,

On a motion by Trustee Kauffman, seconded by Trustee Gaines, the Trustees present voted unanimously to approve the Draft Audit for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2025 and approve the standard representation letter from Croce, Sanguinetti, & Vander Veen for year ended June 30, 2025 by the following vote.

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

Item 7. Agency Reports. Report on San Joaquin Area Flood Control Agency's Smith Canal Gate Structure Project.

- a. Discussion and Direction Regarding District Review of Smith Canal Gate Operations and Maintenance Manual.

No report. This item is tabled until the May meeting.

Item 8. SJAFCA LOMR. Discussion and direction regarding SJAFCA Letter of Map Revision:

- a. Interior Drainage Analysis
- b. Base Flood Elevation

This item was discussed under item Item 9.

Item 9. District Engineer Report. Presentation of Engineer's Report. Discussion and possible action:

I. LEVEE MAINTENANCE PROJECT – FY 2025-2026

- A. Project for approximately 8 residential lots along Smith Canal is out to bid. Bid Opening is scheduled for Wednesday, March 11th.
- B. Project along SJ River adjacent to SG&CC, KSN Inc. is wrapping up plan set. Bid Opening is scheduled for Wednesday, April 1st.

Mr. Neudeck reported on the dates above regarding receiving the cost proposals for both phases of the rock slope protection project.

II. PLAN REVIEW

- A. Review status of Concrete deck plans for SG&CC. SG&CC is still working on completing full plan set for the Board of Trustees' consideration.

Mr. Neudeck and Mr. Sanguinetti reported. Mr. Neudeck stated that he does not have the appropriate amount of information submitted to act at this time. He is not at a point to make an approval. Direction was given to Mr. Neudeck to draft a letter to the County informing them of the District's process to consider permits for RD 1614.

III. SJAFCA O&M Manual

- A. Review outcome of meeting with Darren Suen with SJAFCA and their H&H consultant Michael Rossiter along with Chairman Kevin Kauffman and Dr. Jordan Baldwin and discuss next steps.

Mr. Neudeck and Mr. Baldwin reported on their meeting with Mr. Rossiter, Mr. Suen, and Trustee Kauffman last week. They discussed the operation of the gate and how the gate closure process worked with regard to tidal influence and water level within the channel. A debate centered around the data associated with the dimensionalized model within the channel. Attorney Pinasco provided comment on the district's legal obligation, i.e., What is the district responsible for? – what do others do that impact the way we do these things, etc.

The Trustees provided direction to Mr. Baldwin to draft a letter to SJAFCA that will request additional information regarding hydraulics so the district can make meaningful comment on the Gate O&M. Attorney Pinasco will review the letter with the Trustees prior to being sent to SJAFCA.

Item 10. FEMA FOIA Request. Report on status of FOIA Request made on behalf of District.

Attorney Pinasco reported that Rhonda Olmo has followed up twice with FEMA for status updates. No response has been provided to date. Direction was given for Attorney Pinasco to send a letter to Congressman Josh Harder to help facilitate this FOIA request.

Item 11. Superintendent's Report. Presentation of Superintendent's Report; request for direction.

Superintendent Abel Palacio provided a video report on water level sensing transponder that will transmit information to the District in real time.

Mr. Palacio provided a written and verbal report. For a complete list, please refer to his Levee Superintendent Report.

Item 12. Report on Meetings Attended. Trustee Kauffman and Chris Neudeck reported on meeting with SJAFCA officials regarding the Smith Canal.

Item 13. Trustee Reports. Discussion on Trustee Reports. No report.

Item 14. District Calendar.

- a. Next Meeting – April 6, 2026.

Item 15. District Newsletter/Postcard. Discussion and direction.

The Trustees reviewed the draft postcard submitted by Sarah Vigil. Edits were given to Ms. Vigil to make to the postcard. Rhonda Olmo will confirm when the next Town Hall meeting will take place and will relay the information to Ms. Vigil so the postcards can be mailed out timely.

Item 16. Items for Future Meetings. Items for future meetings. No report.

Item 17. Correspondence. Discussion and direction.

- a. California Special Districts Association – SB 827 Fiscal & Financial Training.
- b. February 12, 2026 Correspondence from SJ County Community Development Department re Minor Subdivision No. PA-2500004 of Bruce Davies.

Attorney Pinasco reviewed the correspondence received with the Trustees.

Item 18. District Bills. Motion to Approve of Bills.

After review,

On a motion by Trustee Kauffman, seconded by Trustee Gaines, the Trustees present voted unanimously to approve the February 2026 bills by the following vote.

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

Item 19. Closed Session. Attorney Pinasco reported the Board is going into Closed Session regarding Items 19 (a) and (b) at 3:53 p.m.

- a. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION
Title: Levee Superintendent
- b. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION
Title: District Secretary

Item 20. Closed Session Report. The Board reconvened from Closed Session at 4:00 p.m. Trustees Kauffman and Gaines were present in its entirety. There was no reportable action regarding Items 19 (a) and (b).

Item 21. Employee Contacts. Discussion and possible action regarding changes to Levee Superintendent and District Secretary contracts.

After discussion,

Trustee Kauffman made a motion to approve an increase in the District Superintendent's salary by 3%. Effective March 2, 2026, his salary will be adjusted from \$54.18/hr. to \$55.81/hr. Trustee Gaines seconded the motion.

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

President Kauffman made a motion to approve an increase in the District Secretary's salary by 3%. Effective March 2, 2026, her salary will be adjusted from \$62.08/hr. to \$63.94/hr. Trustee Gaines seconded the motion.

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

Item 22. Adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 3:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Rhonda L. Olmo
District Secretary

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February 2026 Bills

NAME	INVOICE #	AMOUNT	TOTAL \$	WARRANT #	CHECK #	SUBVENTION FUND
Kevin Kauffman - February 2, 2026 Mtg.		\$50.00		6520		
			\$50.00			
Christian Gaines - February 2, 2026 Mtg.		\$50.00		6521		
			\$50.00			
Rhonda Olmo		\$1,862.40		6522		
			\$1,862.40			
Neumiller & Beardslee	357172	\$2,329.22		6523		
			\$2,329.22			
Kjeldsen, Sinnock & Neudeck, Inc.	42686	\$2,034.75		6524		
	42687	\$423.00				
	42688	\$198.00				
	42689	\$1,845.00				
	42690	\$522.00				
	42691	\$15,520.88				
	42692	\$381.18				
			\$20,924.81			
Holt of California	X1556801	\$29.12		6525		
			\$29.12			
Delk Pest Control	303492	\$220.00		6526		
			\$220.00			
DRJ CPAs, Inc.	2251	\$785.00		6527		
			\$785.00			

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Dalek Lawn Care Services	273	\$360.00		6528	
			\$360.00		
Abel Palacio -February Payroll		\$1,890.59			Direct Deposit
			\$1,890.59		
State of California Payroll Taxes - February		\$98.20			online
			\$98.20		
Federal Government Payroll Taxes - February		\$570.43			online
			\$570.43		
ADP - Period Ending 1/31/26		\$138.86			
			\$138.86		
Comcast		\$160.82			online
			\$160.82		
T-Mobile		\$83.91			online
			\$83.91		
PG&E		\$2,423.70			online
			\$2,423.70		
Visa		\$205.25			
			\$205.25		

WARRANT TOTAL:	\$26,610.55
CHECKING TOTAL:	\$5,571.76
TOTAL BILLS PAID	\$32,182.31