

## **RECLAMATION DISTRICT 900**

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West Sacramento
9:00 A.M.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF RECLAMATION DISTRICT NO. 900

The members of the Board of Trustees of Reclamation District #900 convened at the above time and place.

The meeting was called to order by Trustee Dan Ramos. Also in attendance were Trustees Philip Hinkel, William Denton, Peter Palamidessi, Secretary/Manager Kenric Jameson, Superintendent Tony Schwall, Attorney Jim Day, Administrative Assistants Laura Goodwin and Eileen Snyder. Also in attendance were Assistant Manager Tim Mallen, Auditor Mary Ann Cropper, and two members of the public; Lorraine Luna and DJ Walker.

- 1. <u>Agenda Approval</u>. By motion made by Trustee Denton, seconded by Trustee Palamidessi and carried a 4-0 vote the Agenda was approved.
- 2. Election of new RD 900 Officers. With a 3-0 vote and 1 abstain vote, Dan Ramos was elected President, with a 4-0 vote to approve, Philip Hinkel was elected Vice President, with a 4-0 Kenric Jameson was elected as Secretary.
- 3. <u>September 13, 2018 and October 1, 2018 Minutes.</u> By motion made by Trustee Palamidessi, seconded by Trustee Hinkel and carried 4-0 the Minutes were approved as written.
- 4. <u>Public Comment</u>. Ms. Lorraine Luna came before the board with concerns and suggestions on behalf of her elderly mother, Mrs. Martinez whom owns 6 acres of land within the District. Ms. Luna hopes to help alleviate the anxiety her mother is experiencing with the disruption on her property which is directly adjacent to Blacker canal.

Ms. DJ Walker also addressed the board stating she is in attendance as a support person for Ms. Luna. Ms. Walker respectfully requested a time frame when the Board would get back to Ms. Luna regarding her concerns.

President Ramos acknowledged and appreciates the concerns brought forward and assured Ms. Luna that the Board and staff will address the

issue and respond accordingly in a timely manner. President Ramos also suggested that Ms. Luna contact the City of West Sacramento and address her concerns of entitlement with Charlie Hampton. President Ramos requested staff compose a letter to Ms. Luna addressing how we plan to move forward.

Manager Jameson addressed most of the comments and concerns Ms. Luna talked about. Ms. Luna indicated she was satisfied with the response and thanks the Board for their time.

- 5. <u>District Finances.</u> The issuance of checks 21224 21271, General Funds clams for the month of September 2018, one wire transfer in the amount of forty five thousand dollars (\$45,000.)dated October 10, 2018, and the bank reconciliation for August 2018, that were all ratified.
- 6. Plans and Permits. Manager Jameson continues to work with the City regarding the Southport Industrial Park development and the extension of Ramos Drive which crosses a district canal. Also briefly discussed was the issue with Myers ranch subdivision on just South of Partridge Jefferson Blvd where the ditch goes at an angle. It appears that the existing ditch does not follow the easement line which required the culvert installed by the project to reconnect with the ditch south of the project with another ditch running perpendicular or east west.
- 7. Audit Presentation with Mary Ann Cropper for 2016/2017. Ms. Cropper reported to the Board that there were typical adjustments and she called their attention to the retirement benefits listed on page 23. The retirement age decreases from 62 to 60 and the audit reflects this liability and the fact that it is not funded. Attorney Day recommended looking into setting up an irrevocable trust in order to preserve it from any merger with the City of West Sacramento. Having completed her report, Ms. Cropper inquired if there were any questions. Being there were none, President Ramos asked for a motion to approve the 2016/2017 Budget, Trustee Palamidessi moved to approve and Trustee Hinkel seconded, and the motion carried a 4-0 vote.
- Representative's on the Board of Directors of the West Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency. President Ramos asked for a motion, Trustee Palamidessi made a motion to appoint Trustee Bryan Turner and Trustee Denton seconded the motion which passed with a vote of 4-0. Trustee Denton than made a motion to appoint Trustee Hinkel as the alternate, Trustee Palamidessi seconded the motion and it carried a vote of 4-0.
- 9. <u>Superintendents Report.</u> Superintendent Schwall updated the board on field operations. Maintenance activities are going well. The crew has the levee ready for inspection. The north and south levees

roads have been rocked. Most of our ditches have been cleared of debris. The homeless population continues to be a problem with constant cleanup and removal of trash. We are working with the West Sacramento Police Department to help with this issue. Fall inspection will be held on October 18, 2018.

- 10. <u>WSAFCA Project Update</u>. Assistant Manager Tim Mallen reported to the Board that ¾ of the levee survey have the final grade from Yacht Club to south tie in. There is two weeks of work for the Stabilize in place (SIP) levee to finish the grade and tie in at the Corps levee at the north end of the project. Mallen reports that by the end of October that the patrol road should be done.
- 11. Informational Items. Secretary/Manager Jameson introduced Tim Mallen, our new Assistant Manager. He will start full-time in November and in the meantime, he is getting up to speed on our operations by working here two days a week. Secretary/Manager Jameson also noted that he informed the Board of the LAFCO application process MBK is working on. Secretary/Manager Jameson also sent a letter to the CVFPB initiating a process where RD 900 will absorb the levee maintenance responsibilities of DWR MA 4.

There being nothing further, Trustee Hinkel made a motion to adjourn and the motion was seconded by President Ramos. The meeting was adjourned to November 8, 2018.

Kenric Jameson

Secretary/Manager