

**RECLAMATION DISTRICT NO. 1000  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
ACTION SUMMARY  
Regular Meeting  
Friday, October 14, 2011  
1633 Garden Highway  
Sacramento, CA 95833**

Trustees Present: Barandas, Christophel, Gilbert, Harris, Miller and Smith  
Trustees Absent: Shiels

Staff Attendance: General Manager Devereux, Secretary Figueroa, and Attorney James Day

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

**1A) Regular Meeting September 9, 2011**

Motion by Trustee Harris to approve the minutes of the Regular Board meeting held September 9, 2011 as presented. The motion was seconded by Trustee Smith, duly put and carried.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

**2A) TREASURER'S REPORT – September 2011**

The Treasurer's Report for September 2011 is as follows:

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|-------------------------|-----------------|
| County Treasurer- (O/M) | \$ 2,428,455.12 |
| County Treasurer (OPEB) | \$ 422,217.00   |
| O/M Fund – Checking     | \$ 299,400.71   |
| Designated Capital      | \$ 896,044.35   |
| LAIF (State Treas.)     | \$ 202,601.74   |

Motion by Trustee Gilbert to approve the Treasurer's report for September 2011 as presented. Seconded by Trustee Barandas, duly put and carried.

**2B) EXPENDITURE REPORTS – September 2011**

The expenditures for the month of September 2011 were \$746,655.28. The expenditures from various funds are as follows:

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|------------------------------|--------------|
| Operation and Maintenance:   | \$247,321.28 |
| Internal Service Fund (OPEB) | \$499,334.00 |

No Warrants were issued.

**3) COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**A. SAFCA Representatives**

Trustee Barandas reported at the last SAFCA Board meeting the South Sacramento Streams project and the contingency with the Union Pacific Railroad was discussed. There is concern about the environment in Washington D.C. in regard to earmarks, budget and the house/senate debates and how the stalemate will affect the Natomas Levee Project. No one has any answers to when or if federal funding will be approved.

The policy for vegetation on the levee continues to be an issue at the federal level. There is a statewide effort to come up with standards for vegetation but the Corps of Engineers is entrenched in their no vegetation on the levee policy. There does not appear to be a consensus between the two parties at this point.

**B. Executive Committee**

The Executive Committee met to review the agenda for the October 14, 2011 meeting and discussed the upcoming centennial celebration scheduled for November 2. In attendance were Trustees Christophel, Shiels and Harris as well as General Manager Devereux.

**C. Personnel Committee**

The Personnel Committee met to review and finalize the General Manager's Goals and objectives for the year. A copy of the goals and objectives is included in the Board packet. In attendance were Trustees Harris, Shiels and Barandas and General Manager Devereux.

**D. Operations Committee**

The Operations Committee met twice to review bids received for the new dump truck. Four bids were received, after first review two bids were disqualified as non responsive. After a more thorough review a 3<sup>rd</sup> bid was also disqualified as non-responsive and the award for the truck was made Kenworth. Trustees in attendance were Trustees Christophel, Barandas and Smith and General Manager Devereux.

**E. Urbanization Committee**

The Urbanization Committee met to review the centennial book and discuss the centennial open house. In attendance were Trustees Shiels, Christophel and Smith and General Manager Devereux.

**4A) Report on Activities of California Special District Association (Noelle Mattock)**

Noelle Mattock a member of the California Special District Association (CSDA) Board addressed the District Board on the CSDA. Ms. Mattock stated that she serves on a Parks and Recreation Community Service District Board and has been on the CSDA Board for three years. She has just returned from the CSDA Annual conference. The CSDA is very involved in the upcoming pension reform debate and supports transparency in the legislature. CSDA is involved with California Forward a statewide organization which includes former legislators working on reform in State and local governments.

**4B) Report on District Election**

General Manager Devereux informed the Board that on the filing deadline for nominating petitions only three petitions for the three seats up for election had been received. In accordance with the California Water Code, a Resolution to appoint those nominated has been sent to the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors for adoption.

**4C) Draft Policy on Public Access to District Facilities**

General Manager Devereux informed the Board there have been problems with the public using the new adjacent levee along the Sacramento River for personal access and parking. The parking became a big issue because of the recent Sacramento Hemp Festival at the Rio Ramaza Marina and it is an ongoing issue with Pinky's night club near Verona. The Operations Committee met and is recommending the Board adopt a policy prohibiting all vehicular access on District facilities including no parking. There was also considerable discussion at the Committee of allowing pedestrian traffic; however, GM Devereux advised the Board it would be too difficult to close the levees to pedestrian access for maintenance or patrol purposes. Some of our maintenance activities (mowing and spraying for example) pose a safety hazard if the public were allowed to access the facility while the maintenance was being done. The City has expressed interest in the District opening its facilities for recreational purposes; however, the Natomas Basin Conservancy would like out facilities adjacent to their property be closed to public access. The

Board also discussed a process whereby someone could apply for a special use permit to use the District facilities. After discussion staff and counsel were directed to draft a Public Access Policy for the adoption of the Board including language on signage and special use permit process.

**4D) District Centennial Open House and commemorative Book Project**

General Manager Devereux informed the Board the book project is moving along and we should have a few copies at the Open House schedule November 2, 2011 from 3 pm to 6:30 pm. Invitations have been sent and GM Devereux has a permit from the City to use their property adjacent to the office for parking purposes.

**5) GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

**A. Regional Flood Control Issues**

General Manager Devereux stated 2012 is the year the State Plan of Flood Control is to be completed; but the plan will be lacking in detail. The State is trying to get an extension beyond 2012 from the Legislature for the Plan. The Central Valley Flood Protection Board is working on revisions to Title 23 which will be a two year process. SAFCA will complete their portion of the NLIP to Powerline Road in 2012 after which there will likely be a gap in construction until federal authorization or if completion becomes a State/Local project, which could take longer.

**B. Flood Season Update**

GM Devereux informed the Board he attended the pre-season flood meeting. The long range forecast is for another La Nina similar to last year which means there is an equal chance our area can be wetter or drier than normal. Last years record rainfall was an anomaly for a La Nina weather pattern.

**C. Status – SAFCA's Natomas Levee Improvement Project (NLIP)**

Nordic Construction is working from Teal Bend to Bayou Road and all work will be at least to the Garden Highway levee level if not completed to its final design height. Suket Construction is working south from Nordic's project to Powerline Road. The slurry wall is done and they are bringing the levee up to grade.

**D. Encroachment Permits Endorsed**

General Manager Devereux informed the Board he has approved two encroachment applications, both for boat docks at 3099 and 6575 Garden Highway.

**E. Update Plant 1B Improvements – North Natomas Assessment District**

General Manager Devereux informed the Board the request for bids for the generator at Plant 1B has gone out. The bids are due Thursday, October 20 and will come to the Board at the November meeting to be awarded.

**F. Status of Plant 2 FEMA Agreement**

General Manager Devereux informed the Board he continues to work with FEMA on the replacement of Plant 2. In his last email from FEMA the representative committed to completing his review the week of October 24.

**G. Proposed Meeting with SAFCA Washington DC lobbyist**

General Manager Devereux informed the Board the SAFCA lobbyist Mike Strachn will come to update the Board on the status in Washington DC. This will be a special Board Meeting on November 14<sup>th</sup>.

**H. Insurance Renewal**

General Manager Devereux informed the Board that despite the claims filed by the District last year for copper theft, the annual premium has gone down about \$5000. The insurance carrier is becoming more aware of levee risks and hired an engineering

consultant (Wood Rodgers) to inspect the District's Pleasant Grove levees and provide an independent assessment. The report made some recommendations for improvements and the insurance carrier is requesting the District comply with the recommendations. General Manager Devereux has responded to the report by Wood Rodgers and the insurance company will review his response and make a final decision on continuing to provide liability coverage for the Pleasant Grove levees.

**6.) District Counsel Report**

Attorney Day stated that his firm spent 6.7 hours on the emergency levee repair issues, 2.2 hours on a PG & E encroachment permit to remove a gas line, 5.6 hours on the notice of no election, 6.8 hours to complete the work on the truck chassis bid, and 1.8 hours on a relocation easement of SMUD facilities at Elverta and Hwy 99.

**Superintendent's Report**

a copy of the Superintendent's report has been made a part of these minutes.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

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President

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Secretary