



**Reclamation District No. 1000  
Board of Trustees Meeting**

1633 Garden Highway  
Sacramento, CA 95833

**OCTOBER 11, 2019  
MEETING MINUTES**

The Reclamation District No. 1000 Board of Trustees met in regular session on this date at the District Office. Present were: Board Vice President Tom Barandas; Trustee David Christophel; Trustee Fred Harris; Trustee Nick Avdis; Trustee Chris Burns; General Manager Kevin King; District Counsel Jim Day; Administrative Services Manager Joleen Gutierrez; District Superintendent Don Caldwell; and Administrative Assistant Christina Forehand.

Absent: Trustees Thom Gilbert and Jeff Smith

**1. Preliminary**

The meeting was called to order by Board Vice President, Tom Barandas.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, the Board was given the opportunity to disclose any potential conflicts of interest for items listed on the agenda. Trustee Nick Avdis made known that he will recuse himself from Sutter Pointe Discussion.

**2. Presentations**

There were no presentations.

**3. Public Comment**

There were no public comments.

**4. Informational Items**

4.1 GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT: Update on activities since the September 2019 Board of Trustees Meeting.

GM King explained a significant portion of the October board packet contains Sacramento County Emergency Services Plans which were included in the packet for review.

GM King noted the San Joaquin Valley Rail Commission submitted a request to RD1000 for access to the Natomas East Main Drain, near Elkhorn Blvd., for a proposed train station site visit. He shared that he denied the request to access RD1000 property to conduct a biological

study as the agreement is not favorable to the District. The proposed train station could have potential future impacts on levee improvements. Trustee Avdis shared that the project is essentially a massive terminal point for maintenance and a switching yard. GM King is preparing comments to submit to the Rail Commission which are due October 14.

Trustee Burns inquired about the District's insurance renewal and liability coverage and whether an electrical assessment will be conducted. GM King stated that generally, if it's not gross negligence, it should be covered. He added an electrical assessment will be evaluated with the Capital Improvement Plan. GM King made known the District's liability coverage has been increased by \$5 million dollars for a total of \$10 million of coverage and the District is still within authorized budget parameters set by the Board set at \$120,000.

#### 4.2 SUPERINTEDEENT'S REPORT: Update on activities since the September 2019 Board of Trustees Meeting.

In Superintendent's Caldwell's absence, Administrative Assistant Forehand provided an overview. There has been an excess of pumping due agricultural runoff. Trustee Burns asked about the District's Agreement with NMWC and whether there is a compensation provision for pumping the excess water that has been brought in by the water company. GM King reported currently we do not; however, the agreement can be modified if the Board desires to make changes. Trustee Barandas added the District historically has pumped out any water regardless of where it came from, except for constructed facilities designed to bring in water. If the District has a 218 this issue would need to be reevaluated to meet a standard.

#### 4.3 DISTRICT COUNSEL'S REPORT: Update on activities since the September 2019 Board of Trustees Meeting.

Counsel Jim Day provided a verbal update of his activities for the month of September 2019.

### 5. Consent Calendar

*All Consent Calendar items are acted upon by one Motion. There were no items pulled for further discussion.*

Moved/Seconded: Trustee Avdis / Trustee Christophel

Ayes: Trustees Christophel, Barandas, Harris, Avdis, Burns

Noes: none.

Abstain: none.

Absent: Trustee Smith, Trustee Gilbert

Action: A motion passed to approve Consent Calendar Items 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 5.5 in one motion.

#### 5.1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Approval of Minutes from September 13, 2019 Regular Board Meeting and September 27, 2019 Special Board Meeting.

**Action:** Approved Minutes from September 13, 2019 Regular Board Meeting and September 27, 2019 Special Board Meeting.

5.2 TREASURER'S REPORT: Approve Treasurer's Report for September 2019

**Action:** Approved Treasurer's Report for September 2019.

5.3 EXPENDITURE REPORT: Review and accept Report for September 2019.

**Action:** Reviewed and Accepted Expenditure Report for September 2019.

5.4 Budget to Actual Report: Review and Accept Report for September 2019.

**Action:** Reviewed and Accepted Budget to Actual Report for September 2019.

5.5 California Governor's Office of Emergency Services: Review and Consider Adoption of Resolution No. 2019-10-01 Designation of Applicant's Agent for Non-State Agencies.

**Action:** Approved Adoption of Resolution No. 2019-10-01 Designation of Applicant's Agent for Non-State Agencies.

**6. Scheduled Items**

6.1 Ratification of Funding Agreement: Review and Consider Ratification of Funding Agreement for Sutter Pointe Phase 1 Development Project Processing.

GM King explained there is a development proposed (Sutter Pointe) at the southern boundary line of Sutter County and the eastern part of RD1000. GM King was approached by the developer's engineer about submitting plans for review. As typical, the district would receive a deposit and we would work off that deposit. In the past developers have not understood fully the District's process to deduct from deposits for work performed and a funding agreement would clarify deposit acceptance and appropriate deduction for work performed by the District or its consultancy engineering firms. GM King believes this agreement is necessary and would allow the District and developers a smoother process for handling deposits. There is no financial impact to the district. GM King asked for ratification of the Funding Agreement.

6.2 Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission: Review and Consider Selection of Special District Commissioner and Alternate Special District Commissioner for Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission.

GM King made known the District has an opportunity to cast votes for LAFCO Special District Commissioner and Alternate Special District Commissioner. Commissioner incumbent Elliot Mulberg introduced himself to the Board of Trustees and provided an overview of his

extensive experience and involvement with California Special Districts. Trustee Avdis thanked Mr. Mulberg for attending the meeting and presenting. He then suggested to the Board that Mr. Mulberg and Lindsey Liebig as Alternate Commissioner.

Moved/Seconded: Trustee Avdis/ Trustee Burns

Ayes: Trustees Christophel, Barandas, Harris, Avdis, Burns

Noes: none.

Abstain: none

Absent: Trustee Smith, Trustee Gilbert

Action: A motion passed to recommend Elliot Mulberg as LAFCO Special District Commissioner and Lindsey Liebig as LAFCO Special District Alternate Commissioner.

### 6.3 Reclamation District 537 Assessment Ballot: Review and Consider Authorizing the General Manager to Submit Ballot for Reclamation District 537 Proposed Annual Assessment.

GM King made known the District owns approximately 160 acres of mitigation land in RD 785's District. The District received a proposed Annual Assessment Ballot to increase RD1000's Assessment by \$4,200 due to consolidation of reclamation districts RD 785, RD 900, RD 537, RD 827. The new assessment would take place in 2021 to cover the ongoing costs of maintenance. The Board had robust discussion on consolidation benefits and potential issues if the assessment is not approved. The Board also discussed how the district could potentially recoup costs of an assessment increase. Trustee Burns made known that he could not vote without knowing specifics of what the new assessment includes. District Consultant Scott Brown from Larsen Wurzel and Associates explained benefits to the District as maintaining the setback levee and providing maintenance of the Sacramento River portions of the district. Scott Brown also made known that in the event of a levee failure, the district would be required to fully restore this owned land. Trustee Burns requested a roll call vote.

Moved/Seconded: Trustee Christophel/Trustee Harris

Ayes: Trustees Christophel, Barandas, Harris,

Noes: none.

Abstain: Burns

Absent: Trustee Smith, Trustee Gilbert

Action: Motion to submit affirmative ballot for Reclamation District 537 proposed Annual Assessment passes.

## 7. Board of Trustee's Comments

### 7.1 – Board Activity Updates:

#### 7. 1.1. RD 1000 Committee Meetings Since Last Board Meeting

- Executive Committee (Smith and Barandas) September 26, 2019.

GM King announced that Executive Committee met with representatives from Natomas Mutual Water Company vegetation to hear their concerns about the District's drains, dewatering events, and complaints from their customers. For years, the water company has had a long-standing and mutually beneficial Agreement with the District. NMWC requested RD1000 to look into their aquatic vegetation program as the weed conditions have worsened over the past five years. NMWC also requested the District to review its maintenance program. The District has agreed to look existing agreement and possibly make changes.

Trustees Burns shared concerns about additional pumping costs. Trustee Avdis would like a workshop item to better understand the agreement and the needs of everyone involved. The Board would appreciate involvement to prepare a list of items RD 1000 would like to accomplish through this mutually beneficial agreement with the water company. With direction from the Board, GM King confirmed he would schedule a workshop prior to the next meeting with water company representatives.

- Executive Committee (Smith and Barandas) October 2, 2019.

The Executive Committee met to discuss the October 11, 2019 Board Meeting Agenda.

#### 7.1.2 RD 1000 Committees No Meetings Since Last Board Meeting

- Finance Committee (Gilbert, Harris, & Smith)
- Operations Committee (Barandas, Christophel, & Smith)
- Personnel Committee (Harris, Burns, Christophel)
- Urbanization Committee (Burns, Gilbert, & Avdis)
- Legal Committee (Avdis, Barandas, & Harris)

#### 7.1.3 Trustee's Comments/Reports

- Trustee Barandas provided a verbal report of SAFCA's Executive Committee Meeting.

### 8. Closed Session

8.1 – No Scheduled Closed Session Items

### 9. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned.

  
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President

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Board Secretary