

## **RECLAMATION DISTRICT NO. 108**

### **Minutes of the Special Meeting**

#### **Of the Board of Trustees**

March 6, 2013

President Durst called the Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, March 6, 2013 at the Grimes Scout Cabin, Colusa County, California.

**Trustees/Commissioners Present:** Fritz Durst, Sean Doherty, Roger Cornwell,

**Trustees/Commissioners Absent:** Mike Miller, Arnold Andreotti

**Others Present:** Lewis Bair, General Manager  
Kathryn Chandler, Assistant Manager  
Chad Navarrot, Operations Manager  
Cathy Busch, Executive Secretary  
Kevin O'Brien, Legal Counsel  
Landowners/Water Users (see attached sign-in sheet)

#### **Reclamation District No. 108**

President Durst opened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. on February 6 at the Grimes Scout Cabin. He introduced the RD108 Board and staff.

**Operations Report** - Superintendent Navarrot reported on the maintenance project at the El Dorado Bend Pumping Plant. This pumping plant was constructed in 1921 and serves approximately 10,000 acres. Inspections of the pumping plant and pumps have provided the information for needed maintenance repairs at a cost estimated to be \$1.5 million. He said that the Rough and Ready Pumping Plant, constructed in 1914, is the next major priority for repair.

**Water Measurement Program** – Manager Bair reviewed the Water Measurement Program. He said that a Public Hearing will be held on March 21 giving District landowners the opportunity to protest the cost assessment. It takes a majority protest of parcels to vote the assessment down. There was discussion regarding the impacts if the District and/or landowners choose not to comply with SBX-7 legislation. Manager Bair outlined the measurement procedure and how landowners/water users will be billed. Currently the District has installed 150 cement boxes. As

installation moves forward, Assistant Manager Chandler will be meeting with all landowners to determine the number of water deliveries for each field and installation timing.

**Attorney's Report** – Attorney O'Brien reviewed what the OCAP litigation was and gave a status report. It was just released that the 9<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court will fully rehear this case. Should the 9<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court reverse its previous findings, the District could have to renegotiate its water contract which could impact water supplies.

Attorney O'Brien reviewed Bay Delta issues as well as the current State Water Resource Control Board proceedings and their potential impacts to the District water supply. President Durst commented that the District is very active in the Sites Reservoir Project since water supplies from Sites could provide these addition environmental water supplies.

**Groundwater Wells** – Assistant Manager Chandler reported that the District has completed construction of three additional groundwater wells. These groundwater wells are important to the District as a backup water supply should the District need it. She announced that a Groundwater Committee meeting has been schedule for March 19 at 9:00 a.m. and both landowners and water users were invited to attend.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no comments from the public and no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:23 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lewis Bair". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Lewis Bair  
Secretary/Manager