

Sacramento River West Side Levee District

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners

August 26, 2015

President Ellis called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners to order at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 26, 2015 at Reclamation District No. 108 headquarters, Wilkins Slough, Colusa County, California.

Commissioners Present: Tom Ellis, Roger Cornwell, Paul Sankey and Dan Tibbitts

Commissioners Absent: Fritz Durst

Others Present: Lewis Bair, General Manager
Bryan Busch, Assistant Manager
Chad Navarrot, Operations Manager
Beverly Walls, Bookkeeper
Cathy Busch, Executive Secretary

Agenda – On motion by Commissioner Tibbitts, seconded by Commissioner Sankey and unanimously approved, the Agenda was approved with one change, moving Operations Manager's Report to the first item on the Agenda.

Public Participation: There was no Public comment at this time.

1. Operations Manager Report – Operations Manager Navarrot reported that there is approximately 14 miles of levee crown road proposed to be graveled with the FSRP. It is estimated to cost about \$30,000 per mile. The District's cost-share for this Project is 15 percent. The Moons Bend Project is completed except for striping the asphalt. The total cost of the Project was approx. \$100,000. The Board commended Operation's Manager Navarrot and his staff on a job well done.

ADMINISTRATION

Minutes, Financial Report and Accounts Payable – After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Sankey, seconded by Commissioner Cornwell and unanimously approved to approve the minutes of the April 22 Board meeting and the Special Meetings held on July 6, and August 4. It was further moved by Commissioner Cornwell, seconded by Commissioner Tibbitts and unanimously approved to approve the May/June and July/August Financial Reports and the August Accounts Payables in the amount of \$65,760 and checks issued in June to be ratified totaled \$54,687.

BUSINESS ITEMS

2. Bullock Bend Cost-share with RD108 – Manager Bair reported that RD108 was approached by Westervelt to place approximately 88 acres of Tract 6 lands into an Agricultural Easement for mitigation of the Bullock Bend Habitat Project in exchange for the material from the Project and trucking. Since SRWSLD will receive approximately 50 percent of the benefit, RD108 is recommending that SRWSLD pay 50 percent of the agricultural easement. President Ellis asked Commissioners Tibbitts and Sankey to serve on a Committee to negotiate with RD108 on a cost-share.

3. Regional Flood Plan Update – Manager Bair reported on the Regional Flood Plan. The State is getting very involved in the Flood Management Plan so they are looking at the bypass system. Meetings will start with DWR, flood agencies and landowners within the next several months. DWR is also looking at the Basin-wide Feasibility Study. The Regional Flood Plan has been submitted to DWR and they have created a binder that assembles all of the regional plans in summary form. Manager Bair also reported that DWR has now staffed the Small Community Program. Our Region includes a large portion of the States small Communities which are in the federal Project's flood plains. It was the consensus of the Board that the District should start thinking about the next flood control project within the District.

4. Questionnaire – Manager Bair reported that DWR is looking to see what funding is needed for Operations, Maintenance, Repair, Replacement and Rehabilitation (OMRR&R). He said that he was concerned that DWR will determine that funding should be funneled through DWR. Manager Bair was directed to follow this closely.

INFORMATION REPORTS

Assistant Manager's Report - Assistant Manager Busch reported on the Flood System Repair Project (FSRP). He said that if the Project occurs in 2015, the District will have a cash flow total of about \$150,000, which includes the District's 15 percent and DWR's retention amount.

Manager's Report – Manager Bair reported on AFMA. He said that FEMA is starting to work on the flood mapping for Colusa County and should be completed within the next two years. The impact of the flood mapping on the County will cause a large increase in the cost of flood insurance and restricted building permits. It will be important to be a part of AFMA and stay up to date on

current and future discussions. Manager Bair reported that the Knights Landing EIP project is starting construction with a groundbreaking next Wednesday at 11:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no comments from the public and no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Lewis Bair
Secretary/Manager