

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
WOOD RIVER VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT #45
July 12th, 2022**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** Director Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., July 12th, 2022, at the meeting place, Clearwater Landscaping, Kingsbury Lane, Bellevue, ID.

- 2. ROLL CALL TO ESTABLISH QUORUM:** Director Johnson and Director Casey were present.

- 3. READING AND CORRECTION OF MINUTES FOR:** Director Johnson attested to the meeting minutes for June 14th, 2022. Director Casey made the motion to accept the minutes for June 14th, 2022, Director Johnson seconded the motion, motion passed.

- 4. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- 5. OLD BUSINESS:**

a. Review BOR WaterSMART Grant Status:

The districts received notification on Wednesday, July 6, 2022 that the Bureau of Reclamation had approved our application for Water SMART Environmental Water Resource Project Funding. This funding is planned for refurbishment of the Low Head Dam which aids in the diversion of water from the Big Wood River into the irrigation canal system servicing the Triangle Irrigation District and the Wood River Valley Irrigation District #45.

First step will be a Kick-Off meeting of JUB Engineers, John Wright (Water Master), and others TBD to discuss next steps in this process.

Permitting

Funding: 75% (\$629,000) & 25% (\$210,000) for a total of \$839,000

So far partners in funding the 25% are Resources Legacy Fund \$80,000; TU \$10,000; and BOC \$40,000.

The districts need to find partners to help fund the final \$80,000 at this time. John will be meeting in August with the Flood Control District asking for funding help.

NOTE: As per the letter from the Bureau of Reclamation, "Federal statute (42 U.S.C. 10364(a)(3)(B) requires that before any funds are awarded, you agree not to use any water savings resulting from your proposed project to increase your total irrigated acreage or to otherwise increase the consumptive use of water in your operations."

b. BOC Management Resolutions:

Ponds & Subdivision Takeouts
Conveyance & ditch loss percentage
Land Owners Permission for Access beyond ROW

No Action taken on these resolutions during this meeting.

6. REPORTS:

a. Claire Casey, BOC Representative:

1. Next BOC meeting will be held October 11th, 2022.
2. Mr. Lovas on behalf of the SVGWD is applying for a grant to study the area of the SVGWD for projects to assist them on water efficiency. He is writing the application and asking for letters of support or partnership. At the BOC meeting the TID agreed to give him a letter of support. And Director Casey was to ask the WRVID#45 board if D#45 would also send a letter of support. There was no indication if Galena Ground Water District was asked and would be sending a letter of support. Letter would need to be sent to Mr. Lovas by the end of July.

b. John Wright, Water Master:

The SOR (System Optimization Report) is in its final stages and John should have that soon to present to the directors of both districts for review. When the district receives this report it will have a list of problems (projects) with a description of the problem (project) and an estimation of repair or replacement. The districts can prioritize which project will be the next to seek funding for at a later date.

The NRCS (PLF566) Grant sponsored by the Flood Control District will be initiated soon to look at the entire watershed from Galena to Stanton Crossing. The Wood River Land Trust will be the entity to the community for information dispersment.

System Report: Currently running at 190 cfs and expecting our first water cut by the end of this week of water rights up to 1888. The second cut will follow next week and will take the diversion down to 140 cfs.

c. Shirley Spinelli, Treasurer:

1. ICMP Invoice
2. Financials
3. Four checks to be signed.
4. Asked for approval to pay the Invoice from Nancy Glick for Website work.
5. Capital Acct & Reserve Acct. are making some interest.
6. Every year after July 1st, The Treasurer file's a delinquent notification on unpaid assessments with the county. So when a Title search is implemented on property it will indicate that there is money owed. Ms. Spinelli asked Director Johnson when talking with the district's attorney would he inquire about a draft of a legal letter that she could use to send notification to the property owners that a delinquency of payment regarding their water rights had been filed with the county on their unpaid assessments.

d. Bette Gower, Secretary:

1. Explained how the Website had stopped sending notifications to patrons whom had entered their e-mail address into the Website mail. And that I still had not sorted out the 'Mail Chimp' error that was causing this. Secretary Gower will continue to research this error.

7. NEW BUSINESS AND OTHER ITEMS THE BOARD DEEMS PERTINENT:

a. Michael Lovas is applying for his own BOR Wood River Basin study:

Mr. Lovas asked that the BOC and TID and the D45 would send him letters of support for the study that can be included with the proposal. He also hopes the letters would indicate potential commitment of funds to help fund the study.

b. :

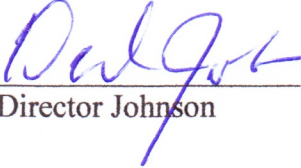
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8. PUBLIC COMMENT:

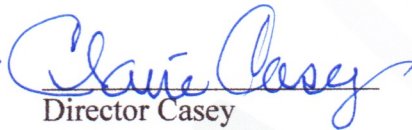
9. SETTING DATE FOR NEXT MEETING: Next meeting will be August 9th, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

10. ADJOURNMENT: Director Johnson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. Director Casey seconded the motion. Motion passed.



Director Johnson



Director Casey

Director Clark