

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
WOOD RIVER VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT #45
October 12th, 2021**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** Director Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m., October 12th, 2021, at the meeting place, Clearwater Landscaping, Kingsbury Lane, Bellevue, ID.
- 2. ROLL CALL TO ESTABLISH QUORUM:** Director Johnson, Director Clark and Director Casey were present.
- 3. READING AND CORRECTION OF MINUTES FOR:** Director Johnson attested to the meeting minutes for September 14th, 2021. Director Casey made the motion to accept the minutes for September 14th, 2021, Director Clark seconded the motion, motion passed.
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Jil Schmidt was present and made comments related to the changes proposed to the 75 lateral which would have major impact on her mother's property. Lack of communication from the county, water district, and Lateral 75 Subdivision developers to the Schmidt family regarding any changes that would impact the property was very upsetting to Ms. Schmidt.

5. OLD BUSINESS:

a. Resolutions for Conveyance & Ditch Loss Percentage and measuring devices:

More time is needed to draft the resolutions addressing measuring devices and ditch loss percentages for water bank applications. This item will be addressed at a later meeting.

b. Land Owners Permission for Access beyond ROW Resolution:

More time is needed to draft the resolutions addressing land owner's permission. This item will be addressed at a later meeting.

c. BOC management of ponds & subdivision takeouts Resolution:

More time is needed to draft the resolutions for ponds & takeouts. This item will be addressed at a later meeting.

The TID & WRVID#45 Boards need to approve all Resolutions for the resolutions to apply equally throughout the water district. The BOC does not have the authority to create policy they always need to present policy changes to the two boards for approval.

6. REPORTS:

a. Claire Casey, BOC Representative:

1. The next BOC meeting was rescheduled from October 12th to October 19th.

BOC Agenda:

Update on JUB/SOR Grant--this includes discussion on Low-head Dam, Water Smart Grant, Walker Lat re-route, and other projects being considered *

75 Lateral/E. Glendale Bridge*

Update on old Budget (end of year)

New Budget Approval*

b. John Wright, Water Master:

1. Plan to stop diverting water from the Big Wood River into the canal system by October 15, 2021.
2. Trout Unlimited will complete fish rescue from the canal system.
3. Plans to have the upper canal downed trees removed.
4. Will have Keith Myers working on the upper canal removing old growth trees, downed trees, and creating a small foot path on the East Bank. He will be placing the removed trees along the bank as support for the foot path.

c. Shirley Spinelli, Treasurer:

1. Current Balance & Profit Loss.
2. No BOC checks.
3. Checks for the Secretary, Treasurer, Blue Host Web site renewal, and delinquent notices filed & released. The board approved the cost of the notices.
4. Ms. Spinelli requested the board's approval for transferring the \$2,500 funds from the 2021 budget to the Reserve account and Capital account. Director Casey made the motion for Ms. Spinelli to transfer this designated amounts into the indicated accounts. Director Clark seconded. Motion passed.

5. Ms. Spinelli requested the board's approval to order new checks for the district. The new order would consist of 300 checks for \$50. Director Johnson made the motion to have Ms. Spinelli order the new checks. Director Casey seconded the motion. Motion passed.
6. There is a total of \$1,800 left in the WRVID#45 budget for transferring to the BOC for the 2021 expenses. All money in the 2021 budget for the SOR Grant match has been transferred to the BOC for deposit into the SOR Grant account set up by Sara Gardner.
7. Ms. Spinelli did a review of the 2021 WRVID#45 budget and was very pleased with the amounts in each line item. Per say no over budgeting.
8. After Ms. Spinelli researching the Statutes that guide water districts, it was determined that the Treasurer position is by appointment with no requirements of land ownership within the district. So with that knowledge Director Johnson made the motion that the WRVID#45 water district appoints Ms. Spinelli as the districts Treasurer for 2022. Director Clark seconded the motion. Motion passed.

d. **Bette Gower, Secretary:**

1. Director Clark completed his Nomination Petition for the Division Three Director seat. The petition was certified as having the required signatures by the County Clerk. Greg Clark will be joining the board for three more years (2022, 2023, & 2024) as Division Three Director

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

a. **Water Bank Application for East Field at Bellevue Farms HOA:**

Director John made the motion to accept their water bank application with a 23% holdback. Director Clark seconded the motion. Motion passed.

b. **Jeff Loomis, Surveyor for Blaine County to present changes to the 75 Lateral:**

Mr. Loomis was not in attendance. The TID, BOC & Water master turned down the first two proposals presented to the district for altering the districts 75 lateral pathway/ROW. Changes to the districts ROW would then allow changes to be made to the Glendale road bridge where the road meets Highway 75.

This item will be placed on the next month's agenda under Old Business. Mr. John Wright sent the county the Encroachment Agreement to be sent back to the districts with the final plan to be considered.

c. WRVID#45 2022 Budget Preview:

Director Johnson made the motion to add an additional amount of \$2,500 from the 2021 Budget into each of the Reserve Account and the Capital Account. Director Casey seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Discussion followed regarding the 2022 WRVID#45 Budget.
Line item 1 changed from \$1,600 to \$1,650
Line item 5 changed from \$800 to \$550
Line item 8 changed from \$200 to \$250
Line item 13 & 14 changed from monthly \$500 to \$525

Director Johnson made the motion to accept the WRVID#45 2022 Budget at **\$25,030**. The 14% BOC budget will be **\$13,994** for a Total 2022 Budget of **\$39,024**. There will be a \$5,000 discount for patrons. So the assessment value will be **\$34,024**. Director Clark seconded the motion. Motion passed.

d. BOC 2022 Budget Preview:

Two line items were changed for A1 Annual Business line items. A1-18 moved \$200 to line A1-7. **A1 total is \$8,314.**

Two line items were changed for A2 Annual labor. Per TID comments Removed wages from A2-2 Ditch Rider winter hours and moved it to A2-1 Water Master to help managed SOR project. **A2 total \$48,841.**

A3-1 line item found spreadsheet formula error, amount is \$1,200. **A3 total is \$12,800.**

Two line items were changed to B1, B2, & B3 line items. B1-1D was increased to \$20,000 and B2-C was reduced to \$3,000. **B1, B2, & B3 total is \$30,000.**

\$ 8,314.00
\$ 48,841.00
\$ 12,800.00
\$ 30,000.00

\$ 99,955.00

BOC 2022 Budget Approved by WRVID#45

Director Johnson made the motion that the WRVID#45 directors have reviewed the BOC Budget for 2022 and have approved the BOC 2022 Budget at \$99,955.00. Director Clark seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Director Johnson will send an e-mail to TID Director Sarah Gardner with line item changes and a spreadsheet of our total calculations.

e. SOR Grant Tour & Important Item List:

Members of the committee for the JUB SOR Grant are; David Johnson (WRVID#45) Sara Gardner (TID), and John Wright (Water Master)

Currently the Important Item List contains the following items

1. Low Head Dam
2. By-Pass Canal – Cove Ranch
3. Walker lateral – Water Master would like to change the location of this diversion ditch
4. Delivery of Gardner water rights down the East Gannett Road lateral

This Priority List has not been finalized at this time. The Important Item list will be finalized later and presented by JUB to the districts at a later date. JUB will guide the districts with the necessary steps to apply for grants to cover the cost of repair or changes for each item on the list.

RJ O’Leary of JUB is in charge of a Geographical Information System Map which will locate the items on the Important Item List and give added information related to each item and any work determined.

Each item on the list will require applying for a grant to complete the work for each project on the list.

f. Diversion 45 Project Update:

BIOTA sent the Final Design & construction cost.

TU/BIOTA presented a Water Smart Grant from the BOR to apply for to help pay for the work they suggested to fix the Diversion 45 Project. The districts are looking to pursue this grant for a more immediate solution to the Low Head Dam and have JUB prepare the application

JUB indicated that upon first analysis of the cost estimate from BIOTA that it was very low, JUB will review the budget and verify the cost estimate before submitting the application.

The new TU/BIOTA grant preparation by JUB for \$5,000 will be paid by the 2021 BOC budget. The money is in Line Item B1-1D.

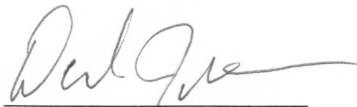
8. PUBLIC COMMENT:

NONE:


9. SETTING DATE FOR NEXT MEETING: Next meeting will be November 9th, 2021.

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

10. ADJOURNMENT: Director Johnson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 p.m. Director Clark seconded the motion. Motion passed.



Director Johnson



Director Casey

Director Clark