# MINUTES FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WOOD RIVER VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT #45 March 12th, 2024

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: Director Clark called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m., March 12th, 2024, at the meeting place, Clearwater Landscaping, Kingsbury Lane, Bellevue, ID.
- 2. ROLL CALL TO ESTBLISH QUORUM: Director Clark and Director Casey were present.
- **3. READING AND CORRECTION OF MINUTES FOR:** Director Clark attested to the meeting minutes for January 9th, 2024 was correct. On a motion made by Director Casey, seconded by Director Clark, accepting these meeting minutes was unanimously approved.
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENT:

### 5. OLD BUSINESS:

a. Water Right 37-11830:

Director Clark made the motion to refund the WRVID#45 assessments of water right 37-11830 from the years of 2021 thru 2024 to Mr. John Stevenson, who purchased this property with this water right in 2021 from the O'Gara Family Trust.

Treasurer Shirley Spinelli asked the directors to give her permission to verify with Sara Gardner the TID Assessments of this water right 37-11830 from the year of the two district split 2014 to 2024. Before she fulfills the motion of action just passed.

Ms. Spinelli wishes to confirm with backup documentation of TID assessments for the entire property with water right 37-11830 from 2014 to present. There could be more refunds to Big Hat from 2021-2024 and O'Gara Trust from 2014-2021.

## b. Low Head Dam Project:

Director Clark and Water Master John Wright attended a phone call meeting on February 21, 2024 with three members from JUB (Jestin Hurst, Gary Haderlie, and Jordan Parker) and two members from The Bureau of Reclamation. The two members of the BOR were Kavi Koleini,

the BOR Technical Representative from the Boise, Idaho office and the Grant Officer Kelly Opatz out of Denver, Colorado.

The original design work for the low head dam by BIOTA used to apply for the BOR grant has left the district & JUB with an inadequate low head dam design and unanswered questions. Thus JUB has taken over the design work.

JUB is looking at a design that will work efficiently through the entire range of river flow that the district is faced with during the entire irrigation season. JUB will use computer modeling to look at Flow analysis and provide fish passage. JUB will determine if the current plan of repairing the low head dam can be accomplished or if a complete replacement is required.

The criteria JUB is using for the design will keep at the forefront: Always sufficient water for the irrigation district Re-Built stability for long lasting (50, 75, or 100 years) Allows fish passage upstream of the diversion

The set back of the design work has affected the construction beginning date out into 2025. Looks like the district could possibly need to pursue more funding to complete this project. The BOC and the Districts will work with JUB to determine the final design scope of work and an updated estimate for the design and construction to refurbish the low head dam.

### c. Streamline Website:

On February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Secretary Gower and Treasurer Spinelli had a zoom call with Lindsee Green from Streamline for a presentation of the features on the new website. Lindsee was able to go over the online bill pay which is a feature that many patrons are requesting to facilitate paying their assessments on time.

On March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Secretary Gower and Director Clark joined Lindsee Green on another zoom call to review the features of the new website and go over the progress made in putting the main page and information labels/bullets in a organized manner that is easy for patrons to locate the information to assist them with receiving their surface water rights. Lindsee reviewed notification features of meeting notices, emergency notices, and priority cuts notifications.

On March 14<sup>th</sup> Secretary Gower and Director Casey joined Lindsee Green of Streamline for another zoom call where Director Casey was guided through the layout of information bullets & labels, photos added to the new website, and the ease of location for important information pertinent to the water district and delivery of patrons' surface water rights. Director Casey was happy with the Water Masters information and location for any emergency notification.

Treasurer Spinelli has only to meet with Lindsee Green from Streamline in a Zoom call to solidify the online payment form. My understanding that this would be the final detail needed and the new website could go public.

## 6. REPORTS:

a.	Claire	Casev.	BOC	Representative	:

- 1. The BOC had a meeting on January 23, 2024
- 2. Currently there is no Treasurer or Secretary for the BOC.
- 3. John Wright presented his concerns of Heart Rock Ranch receiving their water rights and not interrupting our districts volume of water flow.

He is also looking into CIEF grant for lining 3/4 mile of the Glendale canal.

The BOC did approve the purchase of two new water measuring devices. Cost ? \$600 each

4. BOC Next Meeting is April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024

## b. John Wright, Water Master:

John Wright not present.

## c. Shirley Spinelli, Treasurer:

- 1. Two checks to sign, Treasurer, Secretary.
- 2. Financial reports.
- 3. Receiving good interest on the two WRVID#45 state savings accounts.
- 4. A check for ICRMP insurance second half payment for 2024.
- 5. The County & State Registry Compliance reporting form. Shirley was able to receive confirmation from the state that the district is in compliance.

## d. Bette Gower, Secretary:

None

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

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**9. SETTING DATE FOR NEXT MEETING:** Next meeting will be April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

## 10. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

**11. ADJOURNMENT:** Director Casey made the motion to adjourn and Director Clark seconded. Director Clark adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Director Clark (Chairman)

Director Casey

Director Berman