

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
WOOD RIVER VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT #45
December 14th, 2021**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** Director Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:38 p.m., December 14th, 2021, at the meeting place, Clearwater Landscaping, Kingsbury Lane, Bellevue, ID.

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

- 3. READING AND CORRECTION OF MINUTES FOR:** Director Johnson attested to the meeting minutes for November 9th, 2021. Director Casey made the motion to accept the minutes for November 9th, 2021, Director Clark seconded the motion, motion passed.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT:

BOARD OF CORRECTIONS: No patrons were in attendance with questions regarding their assessments.

Tom Jochums and Judy Cash were in attendance to discuss and make the directors aware regarding the public comments in regard to the Lateral 75 Subdivision application before the County Commissioners December 14th.

5. OLD BUSINESS:

a. BOR WaterSMART Grant Application for TU/BIOTA Diversion 45 Project (Low Head Dam Rebuild):

Director Clark reviewed the Bureau of Reclamation WaterSMART Grant application and commented that he was pleasantly pleased with the application.

The districts should hear back in a couple months if we are awarded the grant.

The BOC paid \$5,000 for JUB to put the application together.
If the district needs to re-apply they should be able to re-submit with this very same application.

If we receive the grant will the district need to have an audit? Treasurer Shirley Spinelli will need to research that question.

b. BOC Management Resolutions:

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

Discussion of these items placed on hold until a future meeting.

6. REPORTS:

a. Claire Casey, BOC Representative:

1. The next meeting for the BOC will be January 2022.
2. Sent thank you Christmas gifts to the two owners of Clearwater Landscaping.

b. John Wright, Water Master:

1. Spent the last month working on the BOR WaterSMART application
2. SOR Priority Project List effort was stalled. Still need to sit down with JUB Engineers and other stakeholders in the valley and finish gathering information about projects being considered.
Ditch loss Prevention, late season water delivery, Cove Ranch lateral changes.
3. Tree Removal - Spent the allocated \$10,000 on tree removal on the upper section of the canal system. They did 3 days of work on trees presenting the highest risk for doing damages.
4. Keith Myer completed the trail on the East bank of the upper section of canal.
5. Keith Myer has sold his excavation business.
6. Mr. Wright is working closely with Rocky Sherbine in re-routing the lower section of the Walker lateral. The Walker lateral is considered TID only ditch.

Water Master John Wright briefly explained the proposal for re-routing the lower section of the Walker lateral which would facilitate the delivery of water to Ms. Landers and how he would like to relocate her delivery ditch.

Secretary Ms. Gower presented to Mr. Wright drawings from the IDT website outlining their proposals on record for improving Highway 75. She hoped he would find them helpful in coordinating the relocation of the delivery ditch.

c. Shirley Spinelli, Treasurer:

1. Received several assessment payments.
2. Three checks for the Treasurer, Secretary, and the BOC check to cover payroll.
3. Ms. Spinelli spoke with BOC board member Sarah Gardner and they have agreed that Ms. Gardner will write the check from the BOC budget to pay for the water masters training.
4. Filed the State Report to meet compliance to the state for the water district.
5. Property tax will be reimbursed to TID at a later date.

6. Added two items in Liabilities on Balance Sheet after discussing tracking of the Capital Fund and the Reserve Fund – can track expenses clearly on the P&L.

d. **Bette Gower, Secretary:**

Secretary Ms. Gower asked permission from the Directors to post the end of year financials in the local paper in January for two weeks publications.

Notified the Directors of an email from James Speck to the district regarding an assessment Invoice and how the assessment is billed and payment is/was expected. I took the time to answer Mr. Speck's questions.

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

a. IDWR Water Bank Lease Application – Jennifer Landers:

After review of the application with discussion and Water Master John Wrights comments Director Johnson made the motion to accept the leasing of water from the IDWR water bank by Jennifer Landers. Director Clark seconded the motion. Motion passed. Certificate of Action was signed.

The following items were put on hold until the water master was present for further discussion.

b. Walker Lateral Changes (SOR Grant Important Item List):

c. East Lateral/Cove Ranch Changes (SOR Grant Important Item List):

d. Delivery of Gardner Water Rights down the East Gannett Canal (SOR Grant Important Item List):

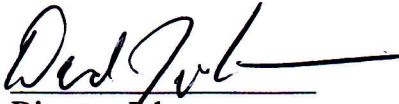
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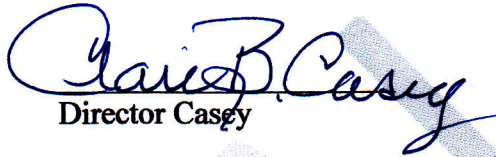
Director Casey made the motion to skip a directors meeting in January. Director Clark seconded the proposal. Motion passed.

9. SETTING DATE FOR NEXT MEETING: Next meeting will be February 8th, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

10. ADJOURNMENT: Director Johnson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m. Director Clark seconded the motion. Motion passed.


Director Johnson


Director Casey


Director Clark

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