# MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WOOD RIVER VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT #45 March 14th, 2023

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: Director Clark called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m., March 14th, 2023, at the meeting place, Clearwater Landscaping, Kingsbury Lane, Bellevue, ID.
- ROLL CALL TO ESTBLISH QUORUM: Director Clark, Director Casey and Director Berman were present.
- **3. READING AND CORRECTION OF MINUTES FOR:** Director Clark attested to the meeting minutes for Jan 10, 2023 was correct. On a motion made by Director Casey, seconded by Director Berman, accepting these meeting minutes was unanimously approved.
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENT:

**NONE** 

#### 5. OLD BUSINESS:

#### a. BOR WaterSMART Grant Status:

The Draft Agreement for this grant was issued the week of March 5-11, 2023 to Sarah Gardner of TID, John Wright, Water Master, and Cindy Gouch of JUB for review.

Good Afternoon Board of Control for Triangle Irrigation District and Wood River,

Please find attached a copy of the DRAFT agreement for R22AP00616 for your review. Please ensure that the Project Manager (Section 8), Budget (Section 7), Statement of Work and Milestones (Section 5) are correct.

Please advise if any pre-award costs have been incurred to date. If so, please provide a description of these costs and the dates they were incurred so that we may provide the required prior-approval.

Please respond no later than **Wednesday, March 15** with any questions, changes, and response to the pre-award cost question. **If we do not receive a response from the Authorized Representative (Sarah Gardner) by this date, the agreement will be issued as-is.** We do not require recipients to sign the agreement before we issue the award. Recipients now indicate their acceptance of an award by starting work or drawing down funds - see "Remarks" section on page 2 of the pdf document.

Thank you, **Kelly Opatz** Grants Management Specialist Financial Assistance Operations Bureau of Reclamation- Denver Office Office 84-27132 Director Clark indicated that upon execution of the agreement there should be a meeting of JUB, TU, TID & WRVID#45. Director Clark requested that this meeting be held before April 6<sup>th</sup>.

In response to the Public Comments on Diversion 45 WaterSMART Project, Mr. Wright clarified the concerns and current solutions proposed to satisfy these concerns.

1. Weed Mitigation around construction site and Re-seeding at end of construction. It is proposed the BOC will monitor the area and spot treat items in the area during construction. The Land Trust has experience in this type of mitigation and will provide a proposed cost for reseeding the area.

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#### 6. REPORTS:

- a. Claire Casey, BOC Representative:
- 1. No BOC meeting until April. No report

## b. John Wright, Water Master:

- 1. Mr. Wright shared with the directors the status of changes in water delivery to several
  - a. Mr. David Garst is a new property owner in our water district and has requested that his water, and water for several other TID properties beyond his, be delivered all the way down the Highway 75 lateral not via the Walker diversion. He proposes building a new takeout for diverting this water from the Highway 75 lateral just across the Pero road from his pond & pumps for the pivot on the property. He is also planning on changing the delivery ditch to the remaining TID properties below his property.
  - b. Site plans for this location as well as his Construction Budget were forwarded to the D45 Directors. It is important for the directors to know of changes to the delivery system of our water district anywhere within the miles of canals and how it perhaps may affect water delivery to all customers.

#### c. Shirley Spinelli, Treasurer:

- 1. Four checks to sign, Treasurer, Secretary, State Insurance Fund, and Water District 37.
- 2. Reported that the two accounts Capital and Reserve have increased in value via the new interest rates.
- 3. Sent the Budget to ICRMP. They request this item yearly for correct calculations of the policy.

- 4. Will be working with Sara Gardner regarding the BOC budget and the management of the two grants awarded. BOR WaterSMART Grant and the Aging Infrastructure Grant awarded to the water district through the Water Resource Board.
- 5. Gave the D45 Directors background information regarding Water master work and payment beyond Joint work canals.

#### d. Bette Gower, Secretary:

- 1. Was contacted by Blaine County Land Use and Building Dept. for updating their contact list. I accepted putting my name & phone# on the contact list as the person from WRVID#45 board to be contacted
- 2. Tom Jochum sent me an email with current information regarding the Highway 75 Expansion latest phone call with Mr. Jesse Barrus, 4<sup>th</sup> district ITD Engineer in Shoshone addressing the upgrades proposed and the time table for accomplishing these items. I will forward this to the D45 email so all directors can review it.
- 3. Posted the End of Year Financial reports in the legal section of the local paper. They were published February 8<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>.
- 4. Handed out packets of information received from the company Streamline. I also forward the email I received from Hannah Holmes of Streamline with the access to the WRVID#45 mock website and other websites for all the directors to peruse. The email included additional information to consider for utilizing Streamline to upgrade our WEBsite and have Streamline as our management/host company.

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

#### a. Well Monitoring Request Letter:

1. Director Clark made the motion for the board to accept his approval of this Request Letter in the month of February. Director Casey seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

#### b. New Director and Signing Checks:

 Director Clark made the motion that the WRVID#45 Checking account records be updated by having the New Director Riley Berman contact the US Bank and become a Signatory of WRVID #45 Checking Accounts. Director Casey seconded the motion. Action was approved.

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**9. SETTING DATE FOR NEXT MEETING:** Next meeting will be April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023 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 8:03 p.m.

Director Clark (Chairman)

Director Casey

Director Berman