

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
WOOD RIVER VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT #45
November 1st, 2018**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** Director Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m., November 1st, 2018 at the meeting place, Clearwater Landscaping on Kingsbury Lane, Bellevue, ID.
- 2. ROLL CALL TO ESTABLISH QUORUM:** Director Johnson, Director Casey, and Director Clark were present at the meeting.
- 3. READING AND CORRECTION OF MINUTES FOR:** Meeting minutes of October 11th, 2018 were read. Director Johnson made the motion to accept the minutes for September. All approved. Minutes for September were passed.
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENT:**
- 5. OLD BUSINESS:**

a. Certificate of Action for Jerry Turco Jr. (holdback discussion):

Director Johnson reviewed the points regarding the boards review, recommendations, holdback percentage and passing of a Certificate of Action for Mr. Turco's renewal of his application of his water rights in the water bank. Mr. Christopher Cook, Associate Attorney of Hawley Troxell Attorneys and Counselors from Boise, Idaho, with whom the WRVID#45 was communicating with took exception to the final holdback percentage indicated on the Certificate of Action passed by the board at the October 11th meeting. Mr. Cook asked that the board review the percentage calculations and apply the same percentage that was applied on the previous application approved four years ago.

Director Johnson contacted our legal counsel for guidance on this matter. Mr. Andy Waldera reviewed the specific water right and concurred with Mr. Cook that there was no reasons or justifications for increasing the holdback percentage from the previous application. Having informed the other directors of this recommendation from Mr. Waldera, Director Johnson made the motion to re-issue the Certificate of Action on Mr. Turco's water right to the water bank with a holdback percentage of 20% instead of 25%. Director Clark second the motion, motion passed unanimously.

Director Johnson handed all the e-mail communication with Mr. Waldera over to the secretary to be filed with the approved meeting minutes for November 1, 2018 in stored records for WRVID#45.

b. WRIVD#45 Budget finalization and approval:

Director Casey made the motion to accept the proposed 2019 Budget of \$37,112. Director Clark seconded. Proposal passed unanimously

Shirley Spinelli encouraged the directors to give a \$5,000 credit to the patrons based upon the facts that the BOC Budget has been decreased for 2019 reducing the D45 portion, and the D45 Administrative portion of their budget has been decreased for 2019. These steps have produced savings that can be passed on to the patrons of Wood River Valley Irrigation District.

Director Clark made the motion to accept the Treasurer's proposal for giving a \$5,000 credit on the assessments. Director Casey seconded. Proposal passed unanimously

6. REPORTS:

a. Claire Casey, BOC Representative:

1. Water Safety Public Outreach.

Ms. Casey has inherited the coloring book canal safety program for presentation in the schools. She was able to have a good discussion with Ms. Pepin Corso-Harris regarding the program. Director Casey will need to start now pursuing the necessary steps needed to get permission & time within the schools curriculum. The presentation takes about 20-30 minutes. Ms. Harris will assist Director Casey with acquiring the coloring books. The children do not color in the coloring books at school during the presentation. They are to take them home and talk about the canal safety with their parents.

2. The next BOC meeting is January 9, 2019

b. Justin Stevenson, BOC Supervisor for Water Master & Canal Maintenance Staff:

1. Concrete pours –

Justin & John have completed concrete pours to stop erosion around and immediately below the diversion head gates. One pour was at the Kingsbury diversion gates and a second pour was on Gannett Road west canal across from Griffin Ranch and the next diversion gate just below the Griffin Ranch head gate. All this was billed to the 2018 budget

2. Right of Way Cleaning.

Keith Myers worked on the Right of Way clearing and leveling along the Highway 75 branch of the canal system. He has completed from the main canal down to Glendale Road. The second Right of Way clearing and leveling he worked on was along the main canal from the highway along behind the fire station. This allowed the cement blocks to be installed to reinforce the east bank of the canal as it turned south behind the fire station. All this was billed to the 2018 budget.

3. Grass seeding.

Will occur along the canals where Mr. Myers has been scraping. All this was billed to the 2018 budget.

4. Main head gate.

Keith Myers will removed about ten loads of gravel from the main canal right at the main head gates to allow for the concrete trucks to move into position to pour concrete in front of the main gate to shore up steel plates placed on the floors of the main head gate in October of 2017. They will also finish this aspect of the job and place steel plates on the final three gates. Gravel work, steel placement, and concrete pour will be in the 2019 budget.

5. Lovas Project.

Mr. Lovas completed the Crossing Encroaching Agreement back in June of 2018 shortly after he presented to TID & D45 his desire to relocate his diversion point for his property along Kingsbury Lane from the eastside Gannett road canal to the Kingsbury canal.

The Engineer for Mr. Lovas has met with Justin & John Wright and proceeded with a sight visit earlier this summer. Justin & John see no problem in pushing his water rights down the Kingsbury canal. Mr. Lovas wishes to complete the work for his new diversion & pump location this fall (November).

After clarifying the submitted plans and the proposed pump & pond location and answering all questions posed by the D45 Directors by Justin Stevenson the Board felt confident that they could vote on the Lovas property improvement proposals.

Director Casey made the motion to accept the Lovas property improvement proposal. Director Johnson seconded. Lovas Project was passed unanimously.

c. **Shirley Spinally, Treasurer:**

1. Three checks – Storage, Secretary, & Treasurer
2. P & L Balance sheets
3. Encourage the directors to change the signature card at the bank for the D45 checking account and get Director Clark on the account.
4. Reviewed how the water master is contacted for payment. April 1 thru October 31 of each year is salary and November 1 thru March 30 is hourly.

d. **Bette Gower, Secretary:**

1. Will take action tonight, November 1st, 2018, to send the new Certificate of Action in PDF form for Mr. Turco with only 20% holdback to Mr. Cook and to Sarah Gardner of TID.
2. Reviewed the Idaho Statute that clarified the Assessment book needs to be finalized for the coming year between August 1 and November 8 at a regular meeting. This allows time for the assessments to be mailed to patrons with enough lead time before the December payment date.
3. The December board meeting will be the Board of Corrections Meeting. This meeting serves as a mediation meeting where if any patron has received their assessment and they disagree with the billing they can come before the board and argue their case that the district has miscalculated their assessment.

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

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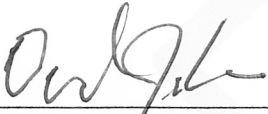
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8. PUBLIC COMMENT:

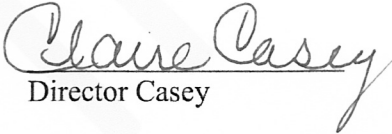
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9. SETTING DATE FOR NEXT MEETING: Next meeting will be December 11th, 2018 and serve as the Board of Corrections Meeting.

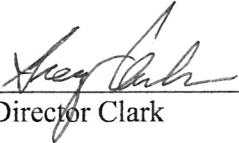
10. ADJOURNMENT: Director Johnson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m. Director Clark seconded the motion. Motion passed.



Director Johnson



Director Casey



Director Clark