

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
WOOD RIVER VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT #45
August 14th, 2018**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** Director Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., August 14th, 2018 at the meeting place, Clearwater Landscaping on Kingsbury Lane, Bellevue, ID.
- 2. ROLL CALL TO ESTABLISH QUORUM:** Director Johnson and Director Casey were present at the meeting.
- 3. READING AND CORRECTION OF MINUTES FOR:** Meeting minutes of July 10th, 2018 were read, signed, and approved by the directors.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None:

5. OLD BUSINESS:

a. Website Information Document review & approval:

After review and discussion of the draft presented by John Wright at the last meeting only one change was requested. With this change made a motion was made to accept & post this new Information packet on the website was made and passed. The new website information packet written by John Wright will be posted to the General Information page on the Website.

b. Shared mitigation water rights form sent to IDWR:

Still waiting on IDWR approval of the co-ownership of water rights originally listed as WRVID#45 owners and TID asked to be also listed as owners. At this time Director Johnson has not contacted the districts lawyer for an update regarding this matter. The action we are waiting on is for the lawyer to formally submit this request and have the IDWR accept this action in writing back to the district. Director Johnson will check into this matter and report later.

c. Safety Program expenditures & items for spring 2019:

Director Johnson has several questions regarding this program. Such as, how the program was presented in the past to the school children? Where the coloring books used with the program were acquired? Director Johnson feels this aspect of the districts safety program regarding the canal system is a very positive presentation that should continue.

Director Johnson would like to get more feedback from Pepin Harris whom in the past managed the presentation of the safety program to the school children. Director Johnson suggested that

D45 get more involved with this program and reach out to others to assist in presenting this part of the safety program to the school children again.

The BOC used \$405 for public education on safety related to the canal system. This was used for radio public announcements only during 2018. WRVID#45 will wait for budget talks to begin to address the safety program expenditures again.

6. REPORTS:

a. Claire Casey, BOC Representative:

1. July 11th 2018 BOC meeting. John Wright our Water Master did a wonderful presentation regarding the flow rates, capacity of each lateral section of the canal system. This map can be found on the main website under Water masters Reports, Ditch Doings July 20, 2018. The top number of each group is the sum of all deeded rights at that point in the canal. The 2nd number is the highest flow the water master has run past those points. The 3rd number is the flow that normally runs and that keeps everyone happy during the peak summer and everyone is watering. John Wright our Water Master took the time to explain the differences between the different laterals flow rates presented on this illustration.
2. The next BOC meeting is October 11th 2018

b. John Wright, Water Master:

1. I and my helpers have started the fall work. One item that we are continuing on with is grading canal banks to improve access. Areas of concern are Cove property, Walker property, and the upper reaches of the canal system.
2. The new trespassing law has forced the water master and his helpers to move along the ditch banks within the canal right of way and not be driving on property owners driveways. Right now there are a handful of places where they are currently trespassing through peoples' driveways to access the canal. They can continue to access the canal through the property if Mr. Wright reaches out to the property owner and receives written permission from the land owner.
3. A concerning area to access is Ed's Drop which is at the south end of Bellevue from Highway 75 along and behind the fire station on the east side of the highway. John is busy planning out a method of reinforcing the canal's east bank as it makes this curve and creating a drivable yet stable area along the east side of the canal to improve access for maintenance and stop the erosion from the water as it flows through this area.
4. Jolyon Sawrey has been contracted to help put together the Joint Works Infrastructure Document for prioritizing, planning, and budgeting maintenance projects on the canal system for the next 5 years. John & Justin Stevenson are working with Jolyon to put a draft document together for presentation and approval by the joint district. This in turn will affect the BOC budget for the next year.
5. The Nature Conservancy has contacted the BOC offering to provide monitoring stations throughout our canal system. They have proposed providing 6-7 water flow monitoring stations located at various points on the districts canal system for two years with the conservancy paying

the installation and annual fee. After two years if we wish to keep the monitoring devices then the district would be responsible for the annual fee estimated at \$500 a unit. The reason for this is that our water district has been determined to be a prime location for recharging the aquifer of the valley. There perhaps could be more water applied to our system from the Nature Conservancy asking to run their water in our system to the recharge ponds thus adding water to the natural streams and areas downstream affected by the aquifer. If the district agrees to run the water to the recharge ponds there should be some money added to our districts budgets as management fee due to the wear and tear on our system. At this time the BOC and the Water management team have not identified any harm that could occur with proposal by the Nature Conservancy that would interfere with delivering water to the water rights holders of the districts.

6. John would like to put a monitor in the middle of heavy tree section and below this section to determine how much water the trees are removing from the canal. After collecting the data to know how much water the trees are actually absorbing then the district can do a cost analysis to determine if the district should continue putting large amounts of money into removing live trees from along the canal banks.

Director Johnson clarified his understanding of the basis for removing trees was because they were dead or dying, a danger, or interfering with our water delivery. That live tree removal was not the intention as D45 noted in passing the BOC budget the last two years.

c. Treasurer, Shirley Spinelli:

1. Copies of the BOC budget as of today so directors can look at what money is left in the budget to utilize up to October 31st, 2018. The top section is where you can look for money to move from one line item to another to complete more maintenance projects, roughly \$21,000. Shirley suggested that Justin Stevenson, John Wright, John Miley, and Shirley get together to go over the line items to verify that the invoices have been subtracted from the correct line items to verify the correct amount for utilizing for maintenance projects.
2. 3 checks for signatures.
3. Handed out current Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Sheet.
4. Will look into another computer protection service for next year.
5. D45 Budget for 2019 needs to be finalized by November 1st, 2018.

d. Secretary, Bette Gower:

1. No Action.

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

a. Water Bank Application: Miles Stanislaw/Gregory Ranch, LLC.:

TID approved this application with John Wrights' recommended holdback of 25%. Director Johnson made the motion to approve this water bank application with the same hold back of

25%. Motion passed. Certificate of Action was signed and Secretary Gower will send the PDF of the Certificate of Action to legal counsel for Miles Stanislaw

b. Budget Discussion:

Discussion of the D45 Budget took place during the Treasure's report time. Further budget discussion and review of line items will be on the next month agenda

c. Election of Director for Division Three:

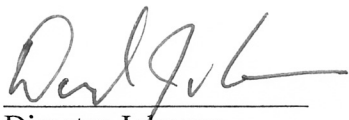
Secretary Gower explained that the election for a new Director for Division Three was due for action this fall. She asked to put together a letter with added information sheets appealing to members in Division Three for a patron to step forward and participate with our board and be the director from Division Three. Secretary Gower agreed to put the letter together with the current division line map and a form for submitting an application with signed voters to the secretary. Director Casey agreed that reaching out to these patrons was a good idea and supported this action. Director Casey made the motion to approve the time and expenditures for this action. Motion passed.

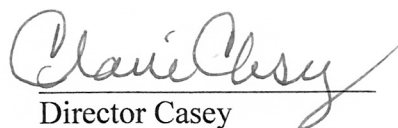
8. PUBLIC COMMENT:

NONE:

9. SETTING DATE FOR NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 11th, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

10. ADJOURNMENT: Director Casey motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. Director Johnson seconded the motion. Motion passed.


Director Johnson


Director Casey

Director (open position)