

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WOOD
RIVER VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT #45
February 14th, 2017**

1. CALL TO ORDER: Director Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., February 14th, 2017, at the meeting place, 1267 S. Main Street, Bellevue, ID

2. ROLL CALL TO ESTABLISH QUORUM: Director Johnson and Director Casey were present.

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

a. Official oath pledge & signing of Board of Directors for 2017:

Director Johnson and Director Casey both read and signed their Official Oath as elected board members for 2017.

4. READING AND CORRECTION OF MINUTES FOR: Director Johnson attested to the meeting minutes for December 12th, 2016 was correct. Motion to accept the minutes passed unanimously.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Pepin Corso Harris: presented to the board and attendees a 20 minute presentation regarding the impact of cottonwoods with regards to water consumption and impact to maintenance and flow of irrigation water within and around the canals used by TID and D45. Presentation was based upon data gathered by Ms. Harris and a high school student in 2012.

Jolyon Sawyer commented after the presentation that the 2018 budget would be the place and time to address the tree impact and where and how would be the smartest place to spend money for the most water recovery.

Director Johnson commented that he felt that canal access and large trees having the potential to cause damage to the canal system were the most important issues regarding tree removal.

6. OLD BUSINESS:

a. Gannett parcel ownership & property taxes:

After discussion of all information gathered regarding the Gannett parcel, Director Johnson will contact Sara Gardner of TID regarding TID's action they wish to take to acquire this property for both districts.

b. Long-term meeting location:

Clear Water Landscaping has purchased land on Kingsbury Lane. Since D45 had worked with Clear Water Landscaping in the past a meeting location, Director Casey offered to contact Matt Hoskins with regards to a long term meeting space at this new location.

Shirley Spinelli mentioned that there may be an opportunity to continue having the meeting at the current location (Ryan's Mountain Rentals) past the April meeting. She will discuss with the owners.

7. REPORTS:

a. Jolyon Sawyer, BOC Representative:

1. BOC has taken advantage of the down time and has schedule a full service on the water master truck.
2. BOC has acquired pricing for two ways of tree removal. Myers excavation model is the least expensive compared to a landscape company model. Both were for a 300 foot segment of canal. This would be next fall work.
3. John wright has attended one water master education course and will be attending his second course during February.
4. Lots of snow has been pushed into the main canal within the city of Bellevue. Justin Stevenson has reached out to the City of Bellevue and business owners regarding this issue. The City of Bellevue has agreed to take responsibility for removal of snow plug. The three to four businesses have been informed to discontinue this practice in future winters.
5. Was happy to inform the D45 of all the hard work that Jan Super did while on the BOC has come to fruition. A new Water Master document and BOC Operating manuals have been completed and approved.

b. Treasurer, Shirley Spinelli;

1. Five checks for signatures.
2. Received a workman's comp refund. Has been deposited.
3. Did not send payment to IWUA for 2017, D45 is not a member for 2017.
4. Met with Sara regarding the splitting of assets between D45 and TID on Friday February 3rd, 2017. After reviewing the bookkeeping errors and a lengthy discussion determined a new balance of \$367 that D45 owed TID. TID is reviewing.
5. Provided financial report of YTD profit & loss comparison for D45 and a financial balance sheet as of February 14th, 2017.

c. Secretary, Bette Gower;

1. Sent a response to Nicole Williams of Fidelity National Title regarding property she had a question about being in our water district. Clarified that this property was not in our district and not a part of our assessment book.

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

a. Belle Ranch Water right transfer application review:

Board reviewed the Belle Ranch Water Right Transfer application. This was a follow-up application to a previously review and consented Water Lease application for the same property. After Board discussion and historical input from Jolyon Sawyer (board member during previous application review) the application was deemed consistent with the previously reviewed application. Director Johnson made a motion to prepare a letter stating D45's consent to the water right transfer application, which was seconded by Director Casey. Motion passed. ACTION TAKEN for the Belle Ranch Transfer was signed and given to the district secretary to send to Brett Stevenson.

Regarding a related issue, this property appears to be a dry lot within the D45 boundary. Assuming the application is approved by IDWR, assessment for the water rights now attached to the property will need to be coordinated with the TID (will the lot water rights be assessed by D45 or TID).

b. D45/TID Asset Transfer (water rights and property)

D45 received an email from the TID requesting D45 transfer ownership of water rights associated with canal mitigation and property (recently discovered property along the north end of the canal) from just D45 to both D455 and TID per the TID partition asset split. After Board discussion, Director Johnson made a motion to request the opinion of the district attorney Andy Waldera regarding the appropriateness of this request along with the recommended path forward, which was seconded by Director Casey. Motion passed. Director Johnson will contact the district attorney requesting a written opinion.

c. Storage unit:

Director Johnson made a motion that D45 rent a storage unit to store district documents and meeting related chairs and tables. These items were currently being temporarily stored in a storage unit rented by Jolyon Sawyer. Motion was seconded by Director Casey. Motion passed. Shirley Spinelli will contact the storage company and rent a small unit.

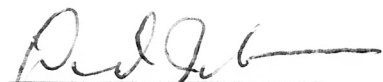
d. Meeting space rent:

Director Johnson made a motion that D45 pay the monthly rent for January to Ryan's Mountain Sports location. Even though D45 canceled the January meeting due to weather, the owners were trying very hard to have the location plowed of snow. Motion was seconded by Director Casey. Motion passed. We have this location for the March & April meetings.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE


10. SETTING DATE FOR NEXT MEETING: Next meeting was not discussed.

11. ADJOURNMENT: Director Johnson adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.



Director Johnson

Director Bertoni



Director Casey