

**MINUTES FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
WOOD RIVER VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT #45
August 18th, 2026**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** Director Clark called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., August 18th, 2026, at the meeting place, Clearwater Landscaping, Kingsbury Lane, Bellevue, ID.
- 2. ROLL CALL TO ESTABLISH QUORUM:** Director Clark and Director Casey were present establishing a quorum.
- 3. READING AND CORRECTION OF MINUTES FOR:** Director Clark attested to the meeting minutes for July 14th, 2026 was correct. On a motion made by Director Casey, seconded by Director Clark, accepting these meeting minutes was unanimously approved.
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENT:**
- 5. OLD BUSINESS:**
 - a. BOR WaterSMART Grant (Low Head Dam Remediation Project):**
 1. Construction started on the Low Head Dam Remediation Project August 10th, 2026.
 2. A gravel pile that was left from previous stabilization work at the head gate has been completely removed via the Elm Street access.
 3. The By-pass canal was created and it is functioning well. It has safety fencing and signage around the area.
Information signs explaining the construction project are still being produced.
 4. The river is drying up nicely on the downstream side of the Dam. This will allow for access to the low head dam for construction and concrete work to proceed. Director Clark explained the steps of the rebuild.
 5. The request for the grant extension was processed and approved on July 31st, 2026. This allows for the extension of submitting invoice payments from this grant account until June 30th, 2027. A copy of this extension was sent to D45 Secretary for filing in backup files.
 6. Director Clark spoke with a Mr. Aaron Penvose the State Director of Projects for Trout Unlimited and discussed the best procedure to submit TU's grant contribution of \$75,000.

7. There will be Bi-weekly meetings with the construction company to review progress of the project and keeping with the construction scheduled.

b. Water master Benefit Package (Written Policies):

-No Draft prepared at this time.

c. Water master Access Permission letter from Land Owners:

-No Draft prepared at this time to review. Water master will continue to work on this letter.

6. REPORTS:

a. Claire Casey, BOC Representative:

1. The BOC meeting of July 21st, 2026 at 8am proceeded as planned.

The main topics covered:

Diversion Project

River Flow maintained through the by-pass canal for benefit to fish passing.

July 24th meeting with contractors

The shortage of \$150,000 necessary to meet the proposed project cost.

b. John Wright, Water Master:

Mr. Wright was unable to attend but Director Clark relayed the status

1. All water rights are completed for the 2026 growing season. The main head gates have been closed.
2. Mr. Wright is busy doing end of season maintenance work of mowing, grading, and cleaning canal banks.
3. Mr. Wright has cut the main flow in the canal system from 136 cfs to only 60 cfs.

c. Shirley Spinelli, Treasurer:

1. Handed out the financial reports.
2. 3 checks for signature, Secretary, Treasurer and the BOC which reaches 75% of proposed budget.

3. Ms. Spinelli received one check covering a late assessment with penalties & interest.
4. Ms. Spinelli received interest payments for the two state accounts for roughly \$200.
5. Ms. Spinelli asked that the board consider purchasing a new computer to replace the district computer for Secretary Gower.

d. Bette Gower, Secretary:

1. Regarding information I presented to the board at the last meeting, I presented them with the current information under Water Master & Landowner Responsibilities Bullets from the website and asked them to compare this information to Mr. Wrights OS sheets. I requested that they compare the information and direct me with any updates to the Website current pages with information from Mr. Wrights OS sheets. NO directive was issued at this meeting.

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

a. Water Bank application – Jim & Sheila White:

- 1 Jim & Sheila White submitted an application to renew their current water rights in the water bank for another 2 year lease. After a brief discussion Director Clark made the motion to accept the application and issue a Certificate of Action with a 20% hold back. Director Casey seconded, motion passed.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT:

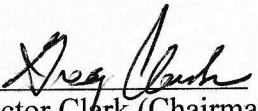
9. SETTING DATE FOR NEXT MEETING:

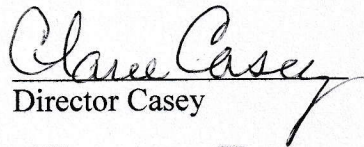
Next regular meeting will be September 15th, 2026 at 6:30 p.m.

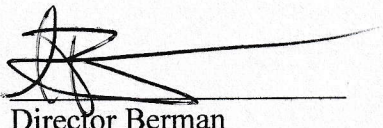
10. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

11. ADJOURNMENT:

Director Casey made the motion to adjourn and Director Clark seconded. Director Clark adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.


Director Clark (Chairman)


Director Casey


Director Berman

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