

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
WOOD RIVER VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT #45
May 11th, 2021**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** Director Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m., May 11th, 2021, at the meeting place, Clearwater Landscaping, Kingsbury Lane, Bellevue, ID.

- 2. ROLL CALL TO ESTABLISH QUORUM:** Director Johnson, Director Clark and Director Casey were present.

- 3. READING AND CORRECTION OF MINUTES FOR:** Director Johnson attested to the meeting minutes for April 13th, 2021. Director Casey made the motion to accept the minutes for April 13th, 2021, Director Clark seconded the motion, motion passed.

- 4. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Ward & Katja Grey expressed their concern of the order from Water Master John Wright to not take water from the Hwy 75 canal.

Director Johnson reviewed the water rights management and priority of water rights. Clarifying that Kevin Lakey manager of all water districts in the Big Wood River Drainage and the Little Wood River Drainage decides what priority rights are active. Currently only the most senior water rights (80, 82, & 83) are active

Liz heard that the Low head Dam was to be covered or buried and was wondering what that project entailed and would children be able to float and play over the dam.

Director Casey responded that currently the Low head Dam is very dangerous and should not be played on. Please keep any children away from the openings and the top of the structure.

Director Johnson responded that there is a very deep washout hole on the downstream side of the structure. Trout Unlimited completed a study and analyzed options to rebuild/repair the Low head dam structure. We are still pursuing funding via grants to progress with these repairs. It will take more time.

Liz had a second question addressing the district's opinion regarding making the repair of the Low head Dam to include a wave machine.

Director Johnson indicated that ideas for that aspect are not being considered. At one time a gentleman came to the district proposing a water park wave machine be located in the diversion area. The water districts, City of Bellevue, nor the Rec. District supported this idea.

Director Casey explained that as directors for WRVID#45 our priority is to focus on surface water irrigation usage.

5. OLD BUSINESS:

a. Director Johnson's discussion with WRVID#45 Lawyer Mr. Waldera:

After the TID & BOC meeting on April 27, 2021 and with John Stevenson hiring Wendy Pabich for her Report regarding the Lateral 75 Ranch Subdivision water rights analysis Director Johnson felt that all the questions had been addressed and action determined by the BOC so a conversation with Mr. Waldera would be unnecessary.

b. Lateral 75 Ranch Subdivision:

The TID & BOC had an onsite meeting on April 15, 2021 consisting of land owners & Brockway Engineering where much discussion occurred regarding water usage and ROW.

Director Casey reported many of the details of the development addressed during this long onsite meeting. Director Casey then explained the lack of BOC representatives non-committed to attend the Blaine County P&Z review of proposed subdivision on May 13, 2021.

A letter from the BOC has been submitted to the P&Z regarding the decisions passed at the April 27th meeting regarding the metering of water and ROW clearance.

The update of Wendy Pabich's report after talking with Al Barker was never forwarded to WRVID#45 directors.

The water right transfer from Dunlop/Gower to the Lateral 75 Ranch subdivision is being reviewed by the IDWR. Director Johnson feels that WRVID#45 has missed the time frame for making comments regarding this action. Director Johnson will check into this.

c. Perez Subdivision:

Water Master John Wright's e-mail response to Galena Engineering regarding the Hwy 75 canal ROW was acceptable to the WRVID#45 board.

d. Create a new Resolution for Conveyance & Ditch Loss Percentage:

WRVID#45 will place this item on next month's agenda for further discussion and more input from the Water Master.

e. Create a new Resolution for Requiring Measuring Devices:

WRVID#45 will place this item on next month's agenda for further discussion and more input from the Water Master.

6. REPORTS:

a. Claire Casey, BOC Representative:

1. The next BOC meeting will be July 13th, 2021 at 9am.
2. The School safety program will be completed on Friday, May 14th, 2021. The districts will need to order more booklets for next year's presentations.

b. John Wright, Water Master:

1. Not Present, No Report.

c. Shirley Spinelli, Treasurer:

1. Current Balance sheet & Profit Loss.
2. Checks for the Secretary & Treasurer.

d. Bette Gower, Secretary:

1. Direct Casey requested that a copy of District 37's Resolutions be sent to her.

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

a. Lumen Project:

Tenille Sorenson of Century Link contacted the WRVID#45 regarding their fiber optic project along US Hwy 75 between Calypso Lane and Glendale Road and their need to locate a hand hole within our canal ROW. Contact with the Water Master was made and approval was obtained for this work to proceed.

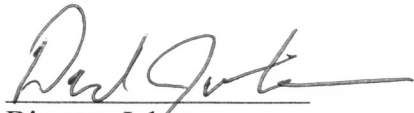
8. PUBLIC COMMENT:

NONE:

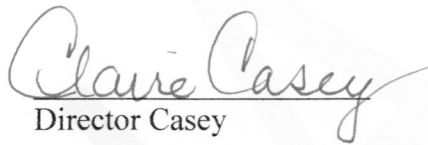
9. SETTING DATE FOR NEXT MEETING: Next meeting will be June 8th, 2021.

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

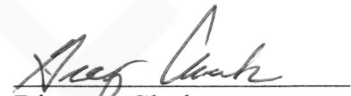
10. ADJOURNMENT: Director Casey motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. Director Johnson seconded the motion. Motion passed.



Director Johnson



Director Casey



Director Clark