

WEST EXTENSION IRRIGATION DISTRICT

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November 20, 2013

Monthly Board Meeting

Chairperson Philippi called the meeting to order on November 20, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. at the District office in Irrigon. Those in attendance were: Board members, Dalarie Philippi, Doug Strebin, Max Hellberg, Bob Mueller and Vern Frederickson; Manager/Secretary, Bev Bridgewater; Operations Manager, Ray Akers; Water users, Tim Hellberg, Abe McNamee.

AGENDA: Chairman Philippi approved the agenda as prepared. Introductions were made.

MONTHLY BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of the October 2013 Board meeting were reviewed and discussed. Mueller moved to approve the minutes as prepared. Hellberg seconded the motion. The motion passed.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: After review and discussion, Frederickson moved to approve the accounts payable list for the month of October, total amount of \$79,309.80. Second by Mueller. Motion passed.

FINANCIAL REPORTS: The financial statements for the month ending September 30, 2013 were reviewed and discussed. The Board would like a ten year budget to actual comparison for their upcoming budget meetings.

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

OFFICE MANAGER'S COLLECTION REPORT: A written report was provided to the Board, which they reviewed.

DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT: A written report was distributed to the directors and is attached to and a part of the minutes. The report was reviewed and discussed.

LATERAL 78: The lateral is scheduled to replace the concrete with pipeline as a cooperative effort with landowner McNamee who will pay 50% of the cost of pipeline and do the installation. A 10-inch pipe will be needed, increasing the cost by \$1700.

EPA/DEQ: Bridgewater reported that she just received notice that EPA has approved DEQ's changes for the WEID main canal under its Use Attainability

Analysis. They accepted the changes for the concrete-lined portion of the canal. She has not had time to thoroughly review the document.

WATER SMART GRANT: The next Reclamation Water Smart grant application is due mid-January. Bridgewater would like to put in a grant for piping one of the laterals in Boardman. The priority laterals are 7, 15 and 17. The Board asked that she and Ray discuss the project and make a recommendation at the December Board meeting.

OWRC CONFERENCE: The Oregon Water Resourced Congress (OWRC) conference will be in Hood River Dec. 3 – 6. Bridgewater will be attending. None of the Directors were interested and able to attend.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

BUDGET MEETING AND BOARD MEETING: The budget meeting was set for Wednesday, December 11 and the December Board meeting moved to Thursday, December 12. Both start at 6:00 pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board went into executive session at 7:40 p.m. to discuss Union negotiations. Executive session was closed at 7:50 p.m.

OTHER BUSINESS

UNION NEGOTIATORS: Strebin moved to appoint Dalarie Philippi and Vern Frederickson as the Board's representatives on the Union contract negotiating team. Mueller seconded. They will be joined by Mike Snyder, the District's negotiator and Manager Bridgewater as administrative support. Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Chairperson Philippi adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Beverly J. Bridgewater
Secretary to the Board of Directors