



BOARD MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15, 2016

The Board of Directors of the Farmers Irrigation District met on Wednesday, June 15, 2016, at the district office for the purpose of conducting its regular monthly business. Those in attendance were directors Erick von Lubken, Tim Annala, Don Chandler, and Bill Munk; District Manager, Les Perkins; Office Manager, June Brock; and Attorney, Jeff Baker. Also in attendance were Cindy Thieman and Jordan Kim.

Chairman Erick von Lubken called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

MONTHLY BUSINESS:

The minutes of the May 18, 2016 board meeting were presented and discussed. It was moved by Tim Annala and seconded by Bill Munk to approve the minutes as presented. The motion passed with all in favor.

The O&M bills for the month of June 2016 were presented and discussed. It was moved by Don Chandler and seconded by Tim Annala to approve the bills in the amount of \$108,327.66. The motion passed with all in favor.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

Jordan Kim the new manager for the Hood River Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) introduced herself to the board. Jordan provided the board with an update and overview of the notable activities over the past year (see attached), this included the retirement of Anne Saxby, ODA's Agricultural Water Quality Management Area program, Irrigation Water Management (IWM) Training project, (also to be provided in Spanish), Water Conservation Outreach, OWEB Small Grand program, Hood River Pesticide Stewardship Partnership, HRV Groundwater Monitoring Conservation Outreach and the HRSWCD Native Plant Sale.

Cindy Thieman of the Hood River Watershed Group (HRWG) provided the board with an update of the watershed's upcoming water conservation strategies, OWRD grants funded, actions and projects (see attached). Cindy also touched on the topic of funding needed basin wide for the upcoming year. In the past the district has provided \$5000 towards HRWG, this amount may be raised to \$8000. The board will review this request at the annual budget meeting in October. The board thanked both Cindy and Jordan for their presentations and support.

CORRESPONDENCE: None



REPORTS AND DISCUSSION:

a) A/R Report – Les reported that the district has received \$967,877.17 to date representing 95% of total 2016 assessments charged vs 94% last year. 2 liens have been satisfied.

b) Hydro Production – May’s production was projected at 3.035 million kWh. Actual production was 1,529,936 kWh (see attached). Hydro revenue for May was projected at \$189,687. Actual revenue was \$106,285.90. EOM balance for May including reserves as of June 9th was \$1,284,633.40. The district received incorrect meter readings from PacifiCorp, they are currently checking their meter for the erroneous readings. The PAC meter was 336,911 kwh off from FID’s which represents \$23,085.00 in unrealized revenue. Les and Zach worked with ACS to pull 15 minute increment data to supply to PAC.

c) Manager’s Report – Les reported that the upper reservoir is down 2” and lower reservoir is full. Irrigation lines are charged throughout the district. Plant 3 was off line as of the first week in June, and due to rain fall and cooler temperatures this week, Plant 3 is back on line.

Lowline Damage Insurance Claim – On June 14th Les signed the Final Proof of Loss Statement for the remaining ~\$400K. On Thursday, June 16th Les will be conducting a conference call with the insurance adjusters regarding the business interruption claim.

Plant 3 Upgrades – The Hydraulic Pressure Unit has been ordered, but due to the fabrication, testing etc, by Gilkes, the HPU will not be installed until next summer.

Plant 2 Upgrades – Switchyard and the cooling bearing water systems will be installed this August during low flow.

North Green Point Pipeline Replacement project – Surveying of the pipeline combined Lidar technology will be complete next week. Discussion ensued regarding pipe purchase, staging of materials, and use of native materials for pipe coverage. Les will be in contact with John Unger of OWRD regarding funding for pipe purchase and potential issues regarding getting the grant agreement in place in time for the project build.

Kingsley Reservoir Expansion project – The project water right application is currently open for public comment. Discussion ensued regarding seasonal flows, land exchange, power, telemetry and the relocation of campground.

Les is meeting with the Hood River County planning department this Friday to discuss the Land Use Compatibility Statement (LUCS).

Hood River Electric Coop Fiber Connection – The fiber optic hook up will take place next week.



Computational Fluid Dynamics – Jerry and Jer asked that Les meet with an engineer from Bend to discuss hiring a CFD engineer. At this juncture it is not in the budget.

Oregon Ethics Law Policy Adoption – As per SDIS requirements, a draft Oregon Ethics Law Policy was provided to the Board, much discussion ensued regarding “financial declaration”. The policy has been tabled until the July board meeting. June and Les will provide clarity regarding the obligation for board members to file an ethics statement with the state.

At 1:03 p.m. it was moved by Tim Annala and seconded by Don Chandler to move into Contract Review Board Session. The motion passed with all in favor.

Resolution 06-16, JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACT REVIEW BOARD OPTING TO EXEMPT THE LARGE PIPE FACILITIES PROJECT – LOW LINE CANAL NORTH GREEN POINT PIPE REPLACEMENT PHASE -- FROM COMPETITIVE BIDDING REQUIREMENTS

It was moved by Tim Annala and seconded by Bill Munk to recommend that the board accept Resolution 06-16 as presented. The motion passed with all in favor.

It was moved by Tim Annala and seconded by Bill Munk to move out of Contract Review Board Session. The motion passed with all in favor.

It was moved by Tim Annala and seconded by Don Chandler to accept the Contract Review Board’s recommendations and clarifications and to adopt Resolution 06-16. The motion passed with all in favor.

LEGAL: Legal Counsel informed the Board that he met with Mr. and Mrs. Heltzel last week to discuss Mr. Heltzel’s requests. Mr. Heltzel is well aware that all submissions be completed by June 30, 2016 as per Board recommendation.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

OTHER BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT: There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

Signed: _____ Bill Munk, Secretary



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Attest: _____ Erick von Lubken, Chairman