



BOARD MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18, 2016

The Board of Directors of the Farmers Irrigation District met on Wednesday, May 18, 2016, at the district office for the purpose of conducting its regular monthly business. Those in attendance were directors Tim Annala, Don Chandler, Bill Munk and Pete Siragusa; District Manager, Les Perkins; Office Manager, June Brock; and Attorney, Jeff Baker.

Vice-Chairman Pete Siragusa called the meeting to order at 12:09 p.m.

MONTHLY BUSINESS:

The minutes of the April 20, 2016 board meeting were presented and discussed. It was moved by Bill Munk and seconded by Don Chandler to approve the minutes as presented. The motion passed with all in favor.

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The O&M bills for the month of May 2016 were presented and discussed. It was moved by Don Chandler and seconded by Bill Munk to approve the bills in the amount of \$600,522.86. The motion passed with all in favor.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR: None.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

REPORTS AND DISCUSSION:

a) A/R Report – Les reported that the district has received \$950,378.29 to date representing 93% of total 2016 assessments charged.

b) Hydro Production – April's production was projected at 3.1 million kWh. Actual production was 2,986,696 kWh (see attached). Hydro revenue for April was projected at \$210,241.00. Actual revenue was \$208,794.20. EOM balance for April including reserves as of May 12 was \$1,753,356.69.

c) Manager's Report – Les reported that both upper and lower reservoirs are still full. Irrigation lines are charged throughout the district. Plant 2 is flowing 76 cfs and plant 3 is flowing 15 cfs with 32 cfs going to irrigation. Les predicts that hydro production will not meet the projected kWh for the months of May



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and June due to the heavy early season irrigation demands. Catching up is highly unlikely. There was also discussion regarding meeting ETO's incentives due to mid-season flows.

Due to a 3" private pipeline break located north of Post Canyon, Stonegate and Frankton Park (100+ homes) were without irrigation for nearly 1 week. This necessitated Les to compose a draft "subdivisions" letter, requesting all "subdivisions" become totally familiar with their irrigation systems, knowing where shut off valves, PRV's and drain lines are located and to provide this information to the district. GPS mapping of private valves would be a boon to the district's database. There was also discussion regarding cost of labor and materials if district staff were to work on private systems. Les will do a cost analysis.

Lowline Damage Insurance Claim – We are still waiting for the remaining ~\$400K, business interruption data has been provided to the insurance adjusters.

OWRD Funding – After review, the OWRD staff recommendations included Farmers Irrigation District's application for the Kingsley Reservoir Enhancement Project (raising dam height, new outlet, shaft replacement and additional water acreage) and the North Greenpoint pipeline replacement (replacing 1.7 miles of corroded 28+ year old pipe). The reservoir enhancement project will commence October of 2017 and the NGP pipeline replacement will commence October of 2016. Project total = \$4.2 million, \$3 million will be funded by OWRD.

Hydro Insurance – Starr Companies Senior Loss Control Consultant Tim Burchett and Brown & Brown's Claim and Risk Manager Matt Koch visited the district today. Les and Zach gave them a tour of the district's power plants, reservoirs, forebays, diversions and fish screens.

Plant 3 Upgrades – Switchgear and Hydraulic Pressure Units have been ordered, project commencement August 1, 2016.

Last month the district hosted Jo Scott, Senior CFD Engineer for Gilkes. Jo spent a week in the Hood River basin and Three Sister's Irrigation District analyzing screens and working with researchers from Pacific Northwest National Laboratory using sensor fish on screens with various flows. The data from this testing will aid in hydro impact and fish projections.

Hood River Electric Coop Fiber Connection – HREC will be placing a 25Mbps Direct Internet Access via Fiber-Optic connection at Plant 3. It is hoped that in the near future we will have line of site to the district office. Eliminating the need for antiquated modems/routers etc.

LEGAL: Legal Counsel informed Mr. Heltzel of the Board's request that all submissions be completed by June 30, 2016. Mr. Baker is meeting with Mr. Heltzel next week.



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OTHER BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT: There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:05 p.m.

Signed: _____ Bill Munk, Secretary

Attest: _____ Erick von Lubken, Chairman