

**MINUTES FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
WOOD RIVER VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT #45
June 11th, 2024**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** Director Clark called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m., June 11th, 2024, at the meeting place, Clearwater Landscaping, Kingsbury Lane, Bellevue, ID.

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

- 3. READING AND CORRECTION OF MINUTES FOR:** Director Clark attested to the meeting minutes for May 7th, 2024 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:

JUB sent out the updated Diversion 45 Interaction Analysis DRAFT report to the BOR as of the last week of May. Kavi Koleini the BOR project technical representative reviewed the report and forwarded it to other staff within the BOR for review.

Director Clark received a phone call from Amanda Beauman from the Project Bigwood and he was able to clarify to her that the district was not eliminating the ability of a fish passage in the designs for the new Low Head Dam rebuild.

There is another team meeting planned for June 18, 2024 for further discussion of Options presented from the BOR for moving forward on the project. Those attending will be Kavi of the BOR, Sarah Gardner, Greg Clark, John Wright and JUB staff, (Jestin, Cindy, and RJ). Kavi will present some options for long term project funding strategies.

Director Clark of WRVID#45, Director Gardner of TID, and Water Master John Wright met two weeks ago and reviewed the current status of the project & changing the direction. They all agreed to 4 major points:

1. Leave the old structure in place
2. Do not cut a notch
3. Design should include good fish passage upstream
4. Design should not deregulate water delivery from current level

6. REPORTS:

a. Claire Casey, BOC Representative:

1. She was able to finish the Water safety classes for all Blaine County 3rd graders. Alturas did not respond. There are plenty of booklets to meet the needs for doing the program in 2025.
2. Director Casey presented the BOR WaterSMART Water Efficiently Grant support letter to the board for signatures. This was for the grants for the By-Pass canal flow monitoring for data to line the canal.
3. July 9th, 2024 at 8 am for the next BOC meeting.

b. John Wright, Water Master:

1. Smooth sailing currently with water delivery.
2. High water reached on June 6th.
3. Minimum water flow in the river of 80cfs the lower water district stops calling for user water rights. At 130 cfs the lower water district still calls for user water rights.

c. Shirley Spinelli, Treasurer:

1. Letter regarding the insurance for next year quoting a big jump of \$450 in the cost. Ms. Spinelli will discuss this with our rep for more clarification.
2. Two people used the new website for payments. The new system worked well for patrons and Ms. Spinelli.
3. Presented the bill for printing and stamps for mailing the new Website Flyer.
4. Two checks for the BOC to sign. One dated 6-11-2024 for current bills needing paid and one dated 6-25-2024 for bills anticipated by the end of the month. Other checks for signature were for the Treasurer and Secretary.
5. BOC Financials for current budget usage.

d. Bette Gower, Secretary:

Requested that any email or communications regarding the Low Head Dam Project received by any directors to be sent to the WRVID#45 Gmail account for easy access and backup filing within that system.

Contacted Streamline Support services and reviewed the steps to send items posted to the website that patrons may sign-up on a mailing list

Directors reviewed the proposed WRVID#45 Logo for a header on Letters & Documents with discussion on Color or black & white. Nothing was determined at this time.

Other items the board to discuss at later meetings.

1. Diversion Standards
2. Directors review WM & DR Handbook. Do we want this located on the website?
3. BOC Operating Rules. Do we want this located on the website?
4. Part Three of Budget. "Irrigation District – Maintenance/upgrades to Assets". Do the directors want this back into the budget package?

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

a. Water Master - Access Permission Letter from Land Owners:

John Wright, Water Master contacted Paul Arrington of the Water Users Association and had Mr. Arrington explain necessary content for this type of item.

1. Property description (legal, Blaine County GIS, or Onyx App.)
2. Property Owners name. (Not a Company, or LLc,)
2. Must be Notarized (Bellevue City Office can do this for no charge)

Mr. Wright will continue preparing a draft for review by the board and approval by the board at a later meeting.

b. Property Owner changing lot lines:

After much discussion of Keith Myers property and his proposal to divide the lot into three lots, the board decided to meet at the site and walk the location to get a clear idea of location of the canal within this original lot and how the canal would be affected by the division into 3 lots with a retaining wall to be added within 14 feet from the east side of the canal. The meeting would take place on June 12th at 9 am.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT:

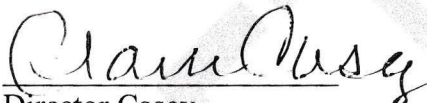
9. SETTING DATE FOR NEXT MEETING: Next meeting will be July 9th, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

11. ADJOURNMENT: Director Casey made the motion to adjourn and Director Clark seconded. Director Clark adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.



Director Clark (Chairman)



Director Casey

Director Berman