

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
WOOD RIVER VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT #45  
October 13th, 2020**

**1. CALL TO ORDER:** Director Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m., October 13th, 2020, at the meeting place, Clearwater Landscaping patio, Kingsbury Lane, Bellevue, ID.

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

**3. READING AND CORRECTION OF MINUTES FOR:** Director Johnson attested to the D45 meeting minutes for September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Director Johnson made a motion to accept the September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020 meeting minutes. Director Clark seconded. Motion passed.

Director Johnson attested to the BOC Special meeting minutes for September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Director Johnson made a motion to accept the September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020 meeting minutes. Director Clark seconded. Motion passed.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

NONE

**5. OLD BUSINESS:**

**a. ROW EDUCATION PACKETS:**

The Directors asked that they be given one more review of the tri-fold pamphlet. John Wright will send them a FINAL pdf of the pamphlet for one last review.

Reference Statute still needs to be corrected.

**b. FINAL APPROVAL OF WRVID#45 2021 BUDGET:**

Director Johnson made the motion to approve the FINAL 2021 WRVID#45 Budget as stated \$38,578, which equates to-  
14% of the BOC Budget \$97,130 plus the WRVID#45 Budget of \$24,980.  
Director Clark seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Director Johnson made the motion to issue discounts to the patrons on their 2021 assessment of \$7,500. Director Clark seconded the motion. Motion passed. -Thus the actual assessment budget for 2021 will be \$31,078.

Director Johnson made the motion for Shirley Spinelli, Treasurer for WRVID#45 to open an account with the Idaho State Treasury Bank, Local Government Investment Pool (LGIP) titled Reserve Account and transfer \$5,000 from the 2020 Budget into this new account. Director Clark seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Director Johnson made the motion for Shirley Spinelli, Treasurer for WRVID#45 to open a seconded account with the Idaho State Treasury Bank, Local Government Investment Pool (LGIP) titled Capital Improvement Account and to transfer \$5,000 from the 2020 Budget into this new Capital Improvement account. Director Clark seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Director Johnson made the motion for Shirley Spinelli, Treasurer for WRVID#45 at the end of October to close the existing Reserve Account with US Bank and wire transfer the balance of \$15,000 into the new Reserve Account with the Idaho State Treasury Bank, Local Government Investment Pool (LGIP). Director Clark seconded the motion. Motion passed.

These two new accounts with the LGIP will be handled (deposits & withdrawals) by wire transfers between the two banks. All board members will be listed on the paperwork for opening the accounts and will be giving the login for the ability to check on the balances and assist with wire transfer of funds.

**c. FINAL APPROVAL OF BOC 2021 BUDGET:**

Director Johnson attended the BOC meeting at 9:00 am October 13, 2020. He presented the DRAFT BOC Budget that was finalized and passed by the BOC for their FINAL 2021 BOC Budget.

Director Clark made a motion to approve the 2021 BOC BUDGET as stated \$97,130.00. Director Johnson seconded. Motion passed.

**d. DIVISION TWO DIRECTOR POSITION FINAL RESULTS:**

The Blaine County Clerk confirmed that Margaret C. Casey had acquired enough signatures on her nomination petition to run for Division Two Director Position. As the only candidate to file, Claire Casey will be Division Two Director for the WRVID#45 board for the years 2021 thru 2023. Claire will be able to publicly recite her Official Oath to this position at the January board meeting.

## **6. REPORTS:**

### **a. Claire Casey, BOC Representative:**

Since Claire was unable to attend, Director Johnson attended the meeting.

ICMP Insurance asked for a new contact person for the insurance policy for the BOC.

-Shirley Spinelli is the point of contact person for WRVID#45. The BOC chose not to work thru a new agent.

### **Low Head Dam:**

Biota is under contract with TU for the preliminary designs, permitting, and engineering thru an existing grant. Ryan from Biota was at the BOC meeting to answer questions and clarified that there was no construction oversight included in the current effort. Biota efforts are stalled at this time due to needing a clearer understanding of funds available for the construction.

John Stevenson with input from JUB Engineering is moving in the direction of looking at the water delivery efficiency of the entire distribution system to support additional grant based funding streams to address the low head dam.

Justin Stevenson reported that this direction could be a very slow process.

A General Services contract with JUB for possible funding grant research and strategy was discussed.

After the D45 September meeting there was over \$10,000 re-allocated within the BOC budget for the Low Head Dam emergency repairs during a BOC Special Meeting.

### **b. John Wright, Water Master:**

#### **1. Low Head Dam:**

The emergency repairs made to the low head dam consisted of removing protruding rebar, capping a hole in the top by covering the dam with concrete and moving rip-rap to re-enforce the downstream wall with the intention to provide the districts 3-5 years to assess the condition and obtain grant funding for a more permanent repair. \$5,000 was spent on the emergency repairs.

#### **2. JUB:**

Highly recommends applying for NRCS funding because they have tremendous amount of resources but would not get involved with our low head dam project unless we (the districts) took on an all-encompassing look at the entire canal system including delivery inefficiencies. Meaning that, they were asking to be given the go ahead to do an overall full system analysis, allowing them to identify other areas of water loss that should be addressed under the same grant funding.

3. **NRCS:**

Has been invited to the low head dam location for an inspection.

John Wright was in favor of contracting with JUB for an initial \$1,800 BOR WaterSMART grant application preparation task to be completed by the end of October.

Director Johnson was not in favor of signing the initial contract forwarded by John due to insufficient detail in the task descriptions. Director Clark did not foresee that review of the contract could be accomplished before the end of the month, so no action was taken on this item at this time.

c. **Shirley Spinelli, Treasurer:**

1. Directors completed LGIP paper work for the two new accounts.
2. Six checks for signatures. Lawyer check, ICMP Bill, Treasurer, Secretary, Storage & BOC.
3. Legal Fees: Asked the Directors for clarification regarding the procedure used for legal consultation.
4. Presented D45 financials
5. Directors suggested including the new ROW Pamphlet in the mailing of assessments to all the WRVID#45 patrons.

d. **Bette Gower, Secretary:**

NONE

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

a. **LOW HEAD DAM:**

Cost of the emergency repair was substantially lower than amount requested to be reallocated by the water master at the BOC Special Meeting. \$5,000 was spent (\$4,000 for rip-rap and \$1,000 for concrete).

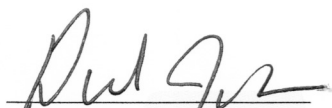
**8. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

NONE:


**9. SETTING DATE FOR NEXT MEETING:** Next meeting will be November 10th, 2020.

**10. EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**11. ADJOURNMENT:** Director Clark made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Director Johnson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

  
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