

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
WOOD RIVER VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT #45
July 10th, 2018**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** Director Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., July 10th, 2018 at the meeting place, Clearwater Landscaping on Kingsbury Lane, Bellevue, ID.
- 2. ROLL CALL TO ESTABLISH QUORUM:** Director Johnson and Director Casey were present at the meeting.
- 3. READING AND CORRECTION OF MINUTES FOR:** Director Johnson had some question regarding the June 10th, 2018 meeting minutes. Clarifications were verbally made. The secretary will update the June 10th meeting minutes and resend to the directors for approval.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Jim White: With budget time approaching Mr. White wanted to remind the D45 directors of the underlining principle that he feels is paramount for protection of D45's property owners. As the directors look at the proposed BOC budget for 2019, for the directors to keep in mind that if a particular line item does not benefit the D45 patrons the directors have the right to ask that it be removed from the BOC budget.

5. OLD BUSINESS:

a. Assessments for old Stricker Property:

After further research by the secretary for WRVID#45 it was determined that Basin 37 was aware of the three properties and their water rights. The secretary for Kevin Lakey of Basin 37 confirmed that Warberg and Larson water rights were for ground water only and that Mr. Cortez has three water rights, one ground and two surface water rights and the amounts are correct. Director Johnson feels that as a water district our responsibility is to access the water rights correctly, which D45 is doing. Secretary Gower and Treasurer Spinally will continue to pursue more clarification regarding these water rights.

b. Review website information document (dej) version:

John Wright presented via e-mail to directors, treasurer, and secretary for review his finished re-writing of the old Info packet currently posted on the website. WRVID#45 has a website to pass information on to D45 patrons that covers water masters reports, D45 meeting minutes, and budget info. This information packet is to cover/clarify a variety of information that most patrons may of questions about in regards to billing, assessments, water delivery, meetings, and who is in charge of these various areas. All will review the new info packet and bring any changes to the next meeting.

c. Shared mitigation water rights form sent to IDWR:

Director Johnson will contact D45 legal counsel in the future to determine the status of this action.

d. Safety program expenditures, review at budget time (BOC):

This item is on the agenda as a reminder for the upcoming budget.

6. REPORTS:

a. Claire Casey, BOC Representative:

1. July 11th 2018 BOC meeting.

b. John Wright, Water Master:

1. Will have a presentation for the BOC meeting tomorrow looking at the amount of flow in each of the Gannett canals how this came about. Also, meeting the needs for Cove Ranch and their water rights.
2. Flow rate in the river has dropped. Expecting the first priority cuts to be coming in couple days. The call may not affect too many patrons but the second call three to seven days later will have some effect on the most junior water rights along the system.
3. Trout Unlimited traps the trapped fish within the system, mostly in the recharge ponds, to remove them and release them back into the river. Trout Unlimited has a permit issued by the Fish & Game to remove hundreds of large trout from the irrigation system.
This could result in conversations in the future on how to limit the migration of all the trout into our irrigation system
4. Have been running higher water throughout the system for this year. BOC's concern is always can the system handle all the water allotted for our patrons.
5. The only way land owners actually lose water rights an allotted amount is if they take acreage out of production.
6. John is busy putting together his fall work "To Do List" and requesting additional Telemetry measuring equipment for added sites along the system.

c. Treasurer, Shirley Spinelli:

1. Was able to send out second notifications of invoices for June 20th before she left on vacation the first of June. Have received almost all of assessments due by June 20th, 2018.
2. 4 checks for signatures.
3. Filling Delinquent Notices by the third week of July of unpaid assessments with the Blaine County Records' Office. Shirley will ask for re-imbursement for this fee at the next meeting.
4. Has received the ICRMP estimate for 2019

5. Legal fees are way down.
6. Handed out current Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Sheet.

d. **Secretary, Bette Gower:**

1. Gathered printed information regarding Cortez's water rights.
2. Posted John's water master report for June-July 2018 to the website.

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

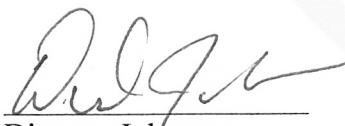
a. **NONE:**

8. PUBLIC COMMENT:

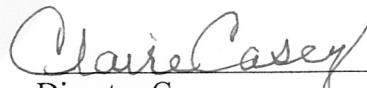
Director Casey reported of a compliment that Florence Blanchard issued. Mrs. Blanchard said it has been a pleasure working with John Wright regarding the head gates and ditches within the Howard Preserve.

9. SETTING DATE FOR NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 14th, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

10. ADJOURNMENT: Director Casey motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. Director Johnson seconded the motion. Motion passed.



Director Johnson



Director Casey

Director (open position)