

BOARD MEETING MINUTES
June 12, 2018 10:00 a.m.
TUMALO IRRIGATION DISTRICT OFFICE
64697 Cook Avenue
Bend, Oregon 97703

BOARD: Ron Cochran, Wally Zimmerman, Steve Putnam, Martin Warbington, Jack Farley
STAFF: Kenneth Rieck, April Harris Spath, Chris Schull
ATTORNEY: Mark Reinecke
GUESTS: Greg Mohnen, Tom Bishop, Bendt Broderson

Chairman Cochran called the regular board meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and appointed April Harris Spath scribe.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT

At 10:01 a.m. the Board recessed the Regular Session and entered into Executive Session per:

- ORS 192.660(2)(e) to conduct deliberations with persons you have designated to negotiate real property transactions.
- ORS 192.660(2)(f) to consider information or records that are exempt from disclosure by law, including written advice from your attorney.
- ORS 192.660(2)(h) to consult with counsel concerning the legal rights and duties of a public body with regards to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed.

RECONVENE

Following Executive Session, the Regular Session was reconvened at 11:30 a.m.

APPROVE MINUTES OF MAY 2018 BOARD MEETING

Director Farley made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 2018 board meeting with the grammatical changes that Chairman Cochran recommended. Director Putnam seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

WATER SUPPLY REPORT

Manager Rieck reviewed the current water supply report and the attached graphs, stating that Crescent Lake was 94% full and that 68 cfs was coming from Tumalo Creek. Rieck stated that TID's field crew was in the process of plowing snow in order to gain access to Crater Creek and that Summit Lake had no snow pack left, therefor there will be no more water running into Crescent Lake this year. The District hopes to save as much water in the lake as possible in preparation for next year.

HCP

Manager Rieck updated the Board on where the District stands with the HCP negotiations.

WATERSHED PLAN – PL 566

Manager Rieck stated that the period for submitting public comments on the draft Watershed Plan has ended. The Farmers Conservation Alliance is now in the process of addressing the comments that were received.

PHASE 5B

Manager Rieck briefed the Board on the status of the fifth phase of piping the Tumalo Feed Canal, stating that the first portion of what has been called 5B is now completed. The remainder of 5B will be completed during the 2018-19 maintenance season.

BOARD PRACTICES ASSESSMENT

Last month a consultant with Special Districts Association of Oregon conducted a Board Practices Assessment for the District. This assessment provided the District with an opportunity to receive an additional 4% discount on insurance rates for participating. Following the assessment, the consultant submitted his impressions and recommendations. Each board member was provided with a copy of the results, which are attached to the minutes.

HEAVY EQUIPMENT

The District spent \$12,700 for the rental of a forklift, which was needed in order to move the pipe that was delivered for the piping project that was completed this past winter. Manager Rieck and Watermaster Schull discussed the benefit of the District purchasing its own forklift to use for upcoming piping projects. Schull found a used forklift for sale that would fit the needs of the District, with an asking price of \$12,500. Also, Schull believes there is the potential of re-selling the equipment once the District is finished using it. Schull provided the Board with the specs and condition of the forklift that he found and stated that the funds used to purchase the equipment would come from long term capital funds. The Board agreed that it would be more cost effective to purchase a used forklift than to continue to rent the equipment when needed.

SWALLEY WATER RIGHTS AGREEMENT

Both Swalley (SID) and Tumalo (TID) reviewed the agreement that was prepared by Attorney Garret Chostek for the purchase of five acres of water rights from Swalley Irrigation District. Director Warbington made a motion to proceed with signing the contract, contingent on a final review of the agreement by TID's attorney. Director Putnam seconded the motion, granting permission for Manager Rieck and Chairman Cochran to sign the agreement, as long as no significant changes are made during the final review.

BACKHOE DAMAGE

Manager Rieck informed the Board that the District's backhoe was vandalized, with all but one window being shot out. The District filed a report with the Deschutes County Sheriff's office. TID staff submitted an insurance claim to Special Districts Association of Oregon, which will reimburse the District for the cost of the damage minus the \$500 deductible that the District is responsible for paying.

LIENS

Attorney Reinecke updated the Board on the status of liens that have been filed on accounts with outstanding assessments due for 2017. The lender for the Estate of Rose Davidson has paid in full and the lien has been released. The Banducci property is in escrow and Reinecke has prepared a lien satisfaction that will be recorded by the title company at closing, following full payment to the District.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Patron Bendt Broderson expressed his opinion that there are more effective ways to deliver irrigation water as the canals are piped rather than continuing to follow the existing easements. He also inquired about the District's plans for the removal of trees along the still open canals.

MOTION TO APPROVE JUNE 2018 VOUCHER LIST

Director Putnam made a motion to approve the June 2018 voucher list. Director Farley seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

MEETING DATES

The Board discussed moving the October regular board meeting from the second Tuesday of the month to the third Tuesday of the month. Director Farley made a motion to move the October board meeting to October 16, 2018. Director Putnam seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

ADJOURN

The date of the next board meeting was set for Tuesday, July 10, 2018. Director Putnam made a motion to adjourn the regular board meeting at 12:52 p.m. Director Warbington seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

APPROVED