

BOARD MEETING MINUTES
June 11, 2024
64697 Cook Avenue
Bend, Oregon 97703

BOARD: Ron Cochran, Martin Warbington, Steve Putnam, Carol Shull
STAFF: Chris Schull, April Harris Spath
ATTORNEY: Mark Reinecke
GUESTS: Greg Mohnen, Susie Hart, Hana Cooper

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 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. – NO DISCUSSION
- ORS 192.660(2)(h): To consult with your attorney regarding your legal rights and duties in regard to current litigation or litigation that is more likely than not to be filed.

RECONVENE

Following the executive session, the regular session was reconvened at 11:03 a.m.

APPROVE MINUTES OF MAY 2024 BOARD MEETING

Director Putnam made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 2024 board meeting. Vice Chair Warbington seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

WATER SUPPLY REPORT

Manager Schull reviewed the current water supply report and attached graph, which indicated that Crescent Lake was 25% full at ~21,500 AF. We did not gain as much in the lake as Manager Schull had hoped from snowmelt this spring and predicts now that we will end up with ~25,000 AF. Therefore, we will have to do a rotation at some point to get us through the season. However, we are aiming to deliver 70% through July before starting the rotation. A decision will be made at the July 9th board meeting of when rotation will start and when the season will end. These are the scenarios that were discussed:

- If we don't do a rotation at all, the season would end around the middle of August.
- If we start rotation as soon as Tumalo Creek runs out, we could most likely make it to the end of September.
- If Tumalo Creek runs out the 3rd week in June (the earliest it is expected to happen), we can run at 70% through July and start rotation the 1st week of August. This would get us through mid-September.
- If Tumalo Creek runs out the 1st week in July (the latest it is expected to happen), we can run at 70% through July and start rotation the 3rd week of August. This would get us through mid-September.

GROUP 4 UPDATE

Field Supervisor Matt Lane and Engineer David Prull are working on final inspections. Manager Schull stated that K&E lost some money on this project as they did not account for the number of trucks they would need to run. However, they still intend to bid on TID's future projects.

FUTURE PIPING PROJECT UPDATES

Group 6B, which goes from Hwy 20 to Connarn, is 50% funded. We are still waiting for BOR to approve the WaterSmart grant. Both State & EPA funds have been secured for Group 6C, which will continue from Connarn and end at Deschutes River Ranch Group. Funding for Group 5, which will pipe the Couch lateral, is under review by BOR.

WATER TRANSFER

The Board reviewed a proposed water transfer. N24.002 transfers 2.31 acres from the Mark Murzin & Krista Knoernschild Trust, with 2.1 acres transferring to Eric & Kathleen Carr and 0.21 acres to the Peter Hayes Trust. Both Carr & Hayes will be doing self-to-self transfers as well. Vice Chair Warbington made a motion approving the transfer. Director Putnam seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

OUTSTANDING ASSESSMENTS

The Board reviewed a summary of outstanding assessments. Second installments are due July 1st. At the July 9th meeting, the Board would like to see a detailed list of those who have not paid their assessments in full.

SISEMORE PROPERTY

The Board announced that they received an unsolicited offer on the 40-acre lot that TID owns at 64250 Sisemore Road and are willing to discuss the sale of the property and are open to reviewing additional offers.

BILL MARTIN ROAD LITIGATION

In 2015, the District participated in a mediation with Todd Blischke, one of the property owners on Bill Martin Road, in an effort to resolve the issue of maintenance on the road. The mediation failed and the group, headed by Blischke and Holt, filed a suit against the District. The District filed an insurance claim with Special Districts Insurance Services (SDIS), who hired Attorney Luke Reese to represent the District. The lawsuit has been ongoing since 2016. Earlier this month, SDIS decided to settle the suit, paying \$100,000 to the filers. The settlement included a waiver stating they cannot sue the District in the future. Chairman Cochran signed the settlement agreement. Vice Chair Warbington made a motion to ratify the signing. Director Shull seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Susan Hart had a discussion with Manager Schull about the current condition of the aquifer and local concerns about wells drying up. She mentioned there have been a couple dozen in her area.

MOTION TO APPROVE JUNE 2024 VOUCHER LIST

Director Putnam made a motion to approve the June 2024 voucher list. Director Shull seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The date of the next board meeting was set for July 9, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. (Executive session at 10:00 and returning to Regular session at 11:00.)

ADJOURN

Director Putnam made a motion to adjourn the regular board meeting at 11:47 a.m. Director Shull seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.