

# SWALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT BOARD MINUTES November 2018

The Board of Directors of the Swalley Irrigation District met on November 28, 2018 at the District office for the purpose of conducting its monthly business.

### Call to Order

President McCarrel called the meeting to order at 9:03 am. Those in attendance were directors Steve McCarrel, Kelly Patrick, Dennis Gant, and general manager Jer Camarata.

## **Prior Minutes**

Minutes from the October 17, 2018 board meeting were reviewed and on motion made and seconded, unanimously approved.

### **Business from the Floor**

None.

## **Financial/Hydro Report**

The Board reviewed the accounts payable list, financial reports, and hydro report as prepared. Brief discussion ensued. On motion made and seconded, the accounts payable list was unanimously approved.

## **Old Business**

The Draft TID-SID Water Transfer Agreement agenda item was deferred for future discussion.

### **New Business**

-Resolution #18-03; Watershed Plan-EA signatory was discussed and reviewed as-prepared, and on motion made and seconded, unanimously approved and attached hereto.

-Health Insurance benefits and options were discussed at length. On motion made and seconded, it was unanimously resolved to provide group health insurance for all employees at a 50% employer premium match, coupled with a no-match Health Savings Account (HSA), and to also maintain current dental, vision, disability, and life insurance benefits at the 100% employer provided rate. Camarata will update the Personnel Policy accordingly, which will include Resolution #18-05 adopting the new policy. There will be no other changes to the Personnel Policy and President McCarrel and Secretary Camarata are authorized to execute Resolution #18-05 attached hereto.

-A draft 2019 Annual Budget was presented along with a series of draft 2019 sub-budgets. Lengthy discussion ensued following which it was decided by the Board that assessments would not be increased for 2019 and that the proposed tenant rental rates for Suites #2 and #3 be increased

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by \$50/month and \$30/month respectively. With the change to rental rates being reflected, on motion made and seconded, the 2019 Annual Budget was unanimously approved and Resolution #18-04 setting forth the assessments for 2019 was unanimously adopted and attached hereto.

## **Manager's Report**

1) The District will be using unused portions of its 2018 construction budget to address deferred maintenance on its heavy equipment.

2) The District has submitted an application to the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board (OWEB) for a grant that, if successfully awarded, would be used as potential PL-566 match dollars for the Elder Lateral Piping Project.

3) Rogers Lateral scrubbing and grubbing activities are planned to commence January 2019 through March 2019. Notices have been sent to adjacent landowners.

4) The District's current Lien and Foreclosure List was presented and discussed. Accounts WA-1430 and EL-2008 are having liens applied for outstanding balances owed to the District.

5) The District's new fish ladder pit-tagged fish count data shows that as of May 2017, thirteen Rainbow Trout and 1 Brown Trout have successfully passed through the ladder.

Legal Report None.

## Adjournment

There being no further business, President McCarrel adjourned the meeting at 12:15pm.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_ President McCarrel

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_\_Secretary Camarata

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