



## **SWALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT BOARD MINUTES**

### **August 2017**

The Board of Directors of the Swalley Irrigation District met on August 16, 2017 at the District office for the purpose of conducting its monthly business.

#### **Call to Order**

President McCarrel called the meeting to order at 9:00am. Those in attendance were directors Steve McCarrel, Kelly Patrick, and manager Jer Camarata. Patron Dan Kiesow was also in attendance for a portion of the meeting.

Minutes of the July 19, 2017 board meeting were reviewed and on motion made and seconded, unanimously approved.

#### **Financial**

The Board reviewed the accounts payable list and financial reports as prepared. On motion made and seconded, the accounts payable list was unanimously approved. Brief discussion ensued regarding the hydroelectric facility's current operation and production levels.

#### **New Business**

A draft resolution and set of revised proposed rules to amend a 2005 version of the District's Contract Review Board Rules (CRB) was presented. The Board asked that the resolution and rules be drafted to not simply amend and reference the 2005 rules, but to be a comprehensive, stand-alone 2017 rewrite of the rules. After brief discussion, the matter was tabled. Staff will continue to work on the matter.

#### **Correspondence to the Board**

None.

#### **Business from the Floor/Public Comment**

Dan Kiesow inquired on 1) the District's plan for piping the Riley Lateral 2) the District's claimed easement width along the Riley Lateral, and 3) the status of water rights on the Bend Metro Parks and Recreation property at the end of the Riley Lateral. Discussion ensued and information was exchanged. Camarata will email Mr. Kiesow documents supporting claimed easement widths in the area of inquiry. The board thanked Mr. Kiesow for his comments, and Mr. Kiesow then exited the meeting.

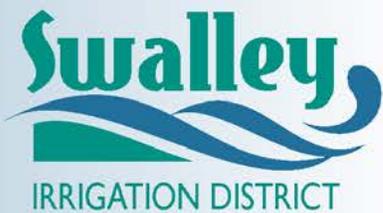
#### **Manager's Report**

1) Easement surveying research and documentation has been completed for the Riley and Riley Sub-Laterals. The estimated project cost came in under budget and the balance of budgeted funds will now be used to advance easement surveying research on the NC-1 and Elder Laterals.

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2) The District is working on an Easement Encroachment Agreement for a Bend Research Campus Expansion project along the Kotzman Lateral Pipeline.

3) Farmers Conservation Alliance (FCA) continues to work on the District's Watershed Plan. A draft is expected to be released for public comment in September.

4) Over-voltage issues with the hydro plant's battery charger are being assessed and watched closely. The recommendation from the District's electrical engineer is that the charger is failing and needs to be replaced as soon as possible. A replacement has been ordered but will take approximately 2-3 weeks to arrive. The District has made some temporary provisions to safely bypass the failing charger and continue to operate the plant until the replacement work occurs.

5) Purchase of a replacement truck will need to be considered soon. Two of the Districts trucks have approximately 160,000 "hard" miles logged, and breakdowns and associated repair expenses are starting to mount up.

6) Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) public scoping meetings are occurring this week. The HCP is anticipated to be complete by July 2019.

#### **Legal Report**

None.

#### **Other Business**

Previously tabled Resolution # 17-02 concerning the "Modification Of Terms For Elected Directors To Ensure Staggered Terms" was presented. On motion made and seconded, Resolution # 17-02 was unanimously approved.

#### **Adjournment**

There being no further business, President McCarrel adjourned the meeting at 11:30am.

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

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_ Secretary Camarata

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