



SWALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT BOARD MINUTES
December 18, 2019

The Board of Directors of the Swalley Irrigation District met on December 18, 2019 at the District office for the purpose of conducting its monthly business.

Call to Order

President McCarrel called the meeting to order at 9:00 am. Those in attendance were directors Steve McCarrel, Dennis Gant, Kelly Patrick, and general manager Jer Camarata. District Counsel, Steve Shropshire was in attendance for a portion of the meeting.

Prior Minutes

Minutes from the November 20, 2019 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. On motion made and seconded, the accounts payable list was unanimously approved.

Old Business

- A final draft of the new Prevention of Workplace Discrimination, Harassment, and Retaliation Policy was presented and briefly discussed. On motion made and seconded, the Prevention of Workplace Discrimination, Harassment, and Retaliation Policy was unanimously approved as-presented.

- Camarata presented a draft letter to be included with this year's annual assessment billings. The Board read the letter and unanimously agreed that the letter was acceptable as-presented and ready to be sent out with the annual assessments in January.

-The Board submitted written evaluations for the general manager.

New Business

-Establishment of 2020 Regular Board Meeting Dates: After brief discussion, there was unanimous consensus that the 2020 Regular Board Meeting Dates shall be set to occur on the third Wednesday of each month at 9am at the District Office, the only exception being the January Board Meeting which will be held on January 22nd at 9am. Dates will be posted to the District Website and may be modified with advance written notice by either the Board Chairman or Secretary.

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Manager’s Report

1) Camarata advised that the tentatively planned December stock run should be cancelled due to the abundance of maintenance and construction activities going on in the District. Cancelling the December stock run was declared to be in the best interest of the District for several reasons. Camarata will post the notice onto the District’s website and advise the local Watermaster.

2) A status update of the Rogers Lateral Pipeline Project (RLPP) was provided. Discussion ensued. Weekly project status reports are being provided to the Board via email. The project is going well and on schedule. Discussion ensued regarding ongoing funding requests and future grant writing.

3) The City of Bend and Swalley are currently engaged in designing an acceptable Proposed North Sewer Interceptor Pipeline Crossing over the District’s Main Canal Pipeline. Camarata reviewed the City’s current outstanding questions for the District’s consideration. Engineer Kevin Crew provided written recommended responses that Camarata read aloud to the Board. Discussion ensued. It was generally agreed that Engineer Crew’s recommended responses were appropriate and should be presented to the City as-presented.

Legal Report

-Counsel Shropshire led a discussion regarding the following topics:

- 1) Stock water deliveries.
- 2) A stacked water rights issue and a letter of request regarding the same from the Trents.

After discussion and consensus on approach regarding the stacked water rights issue, the Board directed counsel to respond to the letter of request and for staff to proceed with the 2020 assessment billing in due course sans a prior resolution with the Trents.

Adjournment

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

Attest: _____ Director McCarrel

Attest: _____ Secretary Camarata