



## **SWALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT BOARD MINUTES**

**March 2018**

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The Board of Directors of the Swalley Irrigation District met on March 21, 2018 at the District office for the purpose of conducting its monthly business.

### **Call to Order**

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

### **Prior Minutes**

Minutes from the February 21, 2018 board meeting were reviewed and on motion made and seconded, unanimously approved.

### **Business from the Floor**

None.

### **Financial 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. Camarata elaborated on recent and ongoing electrical and mechanical maintenance activities at the hydro facility.

### **New Business**

None.

### **Old Business**

The Board reviewed a proposed draft Amendment to a 2007 Memorandum of Agreement between the District and the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO; The MOA Amendment). After lengthy discussion and on motion made and seconded, it was unanimously resolved to accept The MOA Amendment terms, but to first edit and clarify with SHPO certain terminology. Pending approval by SHPO of the proposed terminology edits, President McCarrel is authorized to sign 1) Resolution #18-01 accepting the Amendment, and 2) The MOA Amendment.

### **Correspondence to the Board**

None.

### **Manager's Report**

1) The District is in the process of completing its annual water leasing application. Staff hope to complete the application by the end of next week.

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2) The John Johnson property lien has been satisfied and \$5,900 in back fees have been recovered.

3) The District continues to work with Tumalo Irrigation District (TID) on a draft Intergovernmental Agreement to potentially accommodate future inter-district water transfers. The TID legal team is in the process of reviewing the general principles and mechanics of the draft agreement prior to Board review.

4) 2018 Annual Assessments are trickling in. Collections to date are slightly below average of where they were at this time last year. Approximately \$248k is currently outstanding. A final assessment notice will be sent out on March 29<sup>th</sup> and late fees on unpaid account balances will begin to accrue on April 5<sup>th</sup>.

5) A Land Use Compatibility Statement (LUCS) has been approved by the City of Bend to support an invasive weed treatment grant that the District was awarded by the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board (OWEB).

6) The District continues to work with the Bend-LaPine School District (BLSD) to accommodate development of a new elementary school on Cooley Road. An ~1,400 foot stretch of the Riley Sub-Lateral canal is in the process of being designed to be converted to a pressurized pipeline (in accordance with the District System Improvement Plan) to accommodate proposed utility crossings and easement encroachments that will occur in the area. Camarata is working with BLSD to prepare a Piping and Crossing Agreement. Draft engineering designs for the new pipeline are at ~85% complete.

7) A repair to the Hardy Road sewer undercrossing of the Riley Lateral has been completed.

8) The North Canal Diversion Dam (NCDD) has undergone annual inspection by the State Engineer for Water Resources. The inspection report was circulated to The Board.

9) The Swalley water user that requested approval for directional drilling of a potable water line under the Main Canal last month has met with staff and decided to rescind their earlier request and focus on an above-ground crossing affixed to an existing vehicular bridge.

10) General discussion ensued between Camarata and the Board regarding ongoing urbanization issues within the southern portion of the District. Camarata briefed the board on a recent meeting he had with City of Bend Senior Planner, Damian Syrnyk, and circulated the follow up memorandum to that meeting.

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**Legal Report**

None

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, President McCarrel adjourned the meeting at 11:05am.

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

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

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